COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION OF THE APPLICATION OF THE FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF BIG SANDY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION FROM NOVEMBER 1, 1996 TO OCTOBER 31, 1998

CASE NO. 98-567

<u>ORDER</u>

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:056, Section 1(12), IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. A public hearing shall be held on February 10, 1999 at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices in Frankfort, Kentucky, to examine the application of the fuel adjustment clause of Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("Big Sandy") from November 1, 1996 to October 31, 1998. If no interested party files written notice of its intent to attend this hearing with the Commission by February 8, 1999, this public hearing shall be cancelled.

2. Big Sandy shall file with the Commission on or before December 18, 1998 an affidavit attesting to its compliance or noncompliance with the requirements of 807 KAR 5:056.

3. Big Sandy shall publish the following notice not less than 7 days nor more than 21 days prior to the public hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in its service areas or in a trade publication or newsletter going to all customers: A public hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 10, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, at the offices of the Kentucky Public Service Commission, 730 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky, to examine the application of the fuel adjustment clause of Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation for the period November 1, 1996 to October 31, 1998. Individuals interested in attending this hearing shall notify the Public Service Commission in writing of their intent to attend no later than February 8, 1999. If no notices of intent to attend are received by that date, this hearing will be cancelled. Written notice of intent to attend this hearing should be sent to: Helen C. Helton, Executive Director, Kentucky Public Service Commission, P. O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

4. Big Sandy shall, on or before December 18, 1998, file with the Commission an original and 5 copies of the information listed in Appendix A. Each copy shall be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. When numerous sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed; for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Big Sandy shall furnish with each response the name of the witness who will be available at the public hearing to respond to questions concerning each area of information requested. Big Sandy shall ensure that copied material is legible.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 4th day of December, 1998.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Vice Chairman

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Commissioner

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 98-567 DATED DECEMBER 4, 1998

1. a. Provide a schedule of the calculation of the 12-month average line loss by month for November 1996 through October 1998.

b. Describe the measures that Big Sandy has taken to reduce line loss during this period.

2. Provide a schedule showing the calculation of monthly over- or underrecovery of fuel costs from November 1, 1996 through October 31, 1998.

3. Provide Big Sandy's monthly revenue reports (monthly billing summaries) showing the total revenue collected, including adjustments, under the fuel adjustment clause reported in Big Sandy's monthly filings required by the Commission from November 1, 1996 through October 31, 1998.

4. Provide a schedule showing the calculation of the increase or decrease in Big Sandy's base fuel cost per KWH as proposed by its wholesale electric supplier adjusted for Big Sandy's 12-month average line loss for November 1996 through October 1998.

5. Provide a schedule of the present and proposed rates which Big Sandy seeks to change pursuant to 807 KAR 5:056 as calculated in Item 4 above, shown in comparative form.

6. Provide a statement showing by cross-outs and italicized inserts all proposed change in rates. A copy of the current tariff may be used.