COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF BIG SANDY)RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE)CORPORATION FOR AUTHORITY TO)98-588ISSUE INDEBTEDNESS)

<u>ORDER</u>

On February 10, 1999, Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("Big Sandy") filed a motion for a 21-day extension of time in which to respond to the Commission s January 27, 1999 Order.

KRS 278.300(2) provides that the Commission shall have 60 days after filing to consider applications for authority to issue or assume securities or evidences of indebtedness unless it is necessary for good cause to continue the application. Granting Big Sandy s motion for an extension will only allow the Commission two working days to review the information and issue its Order. Therefore, the Commission finds that good cause exists to continue the financing application beyond the 60-day period specified in KRS 278.300(2).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Big Sandy s motion for an extension of time until March 3, 1999 in which to respond to the Commission s January 27, 1999 Order is granted.

2. Big Sandy's application for authority to incur additional indebtedness is continued beyond the 60-day period specified in KRS 278.300(2).

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 18th day of February, 1999.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director