

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION'S	)	
PURCHASE AND SALES TARIFF FOR	)	CASE NO. 99-354
COGENERATORS AND SMALL POWER	)	
PRODUCERS	)	

O R D E R

Big Rivers Electric Corporation (“Big Rivers”), Kenergy, and Willamette Industries, Inc. (“Willamette”) (collectively, “the Parties”), filed, on March 6, 2000, a Joint Status Report on their negotiations for standby and back-up rates for cogeneration at Willamette’s Hawesville, Kentucky facility. The rates subject to these negotiations would be applied to Willamette in lieu of the rates contained in Big Rivers’ proposed Rate Schedule 9. In the report, filed pursuant to the Commission’s Order of January 6, 2000, the Parties indicate that they have not finalized their respective agreements, but that they expect to reach agreement in the near future. Therefore, the Parties request that the Commission extend the suspension of Big Rivers’ proposed Rate Schedule 9 for 30 days beyond the 90-day extension previously granted. The Parties also request that the hearing be continued generally, that they be permitted to submit a second Joint Status Report on their negotiations to the Commission no later than April 6, 2000, and that all other matters in this proceeding be held in abeyance pending the outcome of their negotiations and the filing of their April 6, 2000 Joint Status Report.

The Commission, having considered the Parties' request and finding good cause, HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. The suspension period for Big Rivers' proposed Rate Schedule 9 shall be extended for another 30 days, in addition to the 90-day extension previously granted, which extends the suspension period to May 30, 2000.

2. The hearing in this proceeding shall be continued generally and all other matters in this proceeding shall be held in abeyance.

3. The Parties shall submit a second Joint Status Report to the Commission no later than April 6, 2000.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

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Executive Director