COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

A REVIEW PURSUANT TO 807 KAR 5:058 OF)	
THE 2000 INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN OF)	CASE NO. 2000-044
EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC.)	

ORDER

On January 25, 2000, East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. ("East Kentucky") submitted a motion for an extension of time, from April 21, 2000, to July 21, 2000, in which to file its 2000 Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP") with the Commission. East Kentucky cites the fact that its Resource Planning Team, which will have primary responsibility for preparing the IRP, is heavily involved in the preparation of other filings with the Commission and currently consists of only three persons, due to the disability of one employee. The other filings referenced in the motion include a request for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to construct a new combustion turbine and approval of a purchase power agreement with Kentucky Pioneer Energy. The heavier than usual workload, with its Resource Planning Team at only three-fourths of its usual complement, and the urgency of the combustion turbine and purchase power filings, have caused delays in preparing the documentation needed for filing the IRP.

East Kentucky also cites the demands of these matters as having contributed to its delay in filing the motion for an extension of time beyond the 90-day advance filing requirement included in 807 KAR 5:058, Section 3. It also requests that the 90-day

advance filing requirement be waived for the same reasons for which it requests the

extension of time for filing its IRP.

After consideration of the motion and the request for waiver, and being otherwise

sufficiently advised, the Commission finds compelling reasons to warrant the extension

of time requested by East Kentucky and to grant the request for waiver.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that East Kentucky's IRP, originally scheduled to

be filed by April 21, 2000, shall be filed on or before July 21, 2000.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 8th day of March, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:		
Executive Direct	or	