COMMONWEALTH OF KENTCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN OF EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC.

CASE NO. 2000-044

<u>ORDER</u>

The Commission, on its own motion, hereby initiates its review of the Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP") of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. ("East Kentucky") filed on July 21, 2000 pursuant to 807 KAR 5:058. East Kentucky is required by 807 KAR 5:058, Section 10, to publish, in a form prescribed by the Commission, notice of its filing in a newspaper of general circulation in its service areas. The notice must be published within 30 days of the filing date of this IRP. The Commission finds that the following format should be used when publishing notice of the IRP filing:

On July 21, 2000, East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. filed its 2000 Integrated Resource Plan with the Kentucky Public Service Commission. This filing includes the most recent load forecasts of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. and a description of the existing and planned conservation programs, load management programs and power supplies it intends to use to meet forecasted requirements in a reliable manner at the lowest possible cost. Any interested person may review the plan, submit written questions to the utility, and file written comments on the plan.

Any person interested in participating in the review of this Integrated Resource Plan should, within 10 days of the publication of this notice, submit a motion to intervene to: William H. Bowker, Executive Director, Acting, Public Service Commission, P. O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

The newspaper notice should be published as soon as reasonably possible after the receipt of this Order. The publication of this notice is in addition to East Kentucky's responsibility under 807 KAR 5:058, Section 2(2), to provide notice, immediately upon filing its IRP, to intervenors in its most recent IRP proceedings, that its plan has been filed and is available from the utility upon request.

In addition to the notice requirements set forth above, the Commission, on its own motion, hereby adopts the schedule included in Appendix A, attached hereto and incorporated herein, which establishes the procedural dates for the proceeding. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:058, Section 2(3), this schedule may include interrogatories, informal conferences, comments, and staff reports.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. East Kentucky shall publish the notice set forth herein as required by 807 KAR 5:058, Section 10.

2. The procedural schedule set forth in Appendix A shall be followed in this case.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 4th day of August, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director, Acting

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO THE ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2000-044 DATED AUGUST 4, 2000

Initial interrogatories to East Kentucky shall be filed no later than
East Kentucky's responses to initial interrogatories shall be filed no later than
Supplemental interrogatories to East Kentucky shall be filed no later than
East Kentucky's responses to supplemental interrogatories shall be filed no later than
An informal conference will be held at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of discussing issues related to East Kentucky's 2000 IRP filing
Intervenors shall have the option of filing written comments on issues related to East Kentucky's 2000 IRP filing no later than
East Kentucky shall have the option to file written comments in reply to any written comments from intervenors no later than