## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF FLEMING-MASON ENERGY)COOPERATIVE CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER)AND CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE)CONSTRUCT A GARAGE, WAREHOUSE,)FIELDHOUSE AND REMODELING AT)FLEMINGSBURG, KENTUCKY)

CASE NO. 2005-00277

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Fleming-Mason Energy Cooperative Corporation ("Fleming-Mason") filed its application on July 6, 2005 for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") for the construction of a warehouse and fieldhouse that included the remodeling of its existing headquarters building in Flemingsburg, Kentucky. The existing fieldhouse that will be torn down to accommodate the new warehouse facility is 3,400 square feet. The new fieldhouse will be approximately 3,700 square feet. The portion of the existing garage and warehouse that will be demolished will be 2,500 square feet. The additional warehouse space that will be added will be 26,000 square feet. The total projected cost to construct the proposed facility is \$3,750,000.

Brandstetter Carroll Inc. ("the consultant") is the architectural firm for the construction of the proposed facilities. The headquarters office was designed and constructed nearly 40 years ago and growth over the years has made the facilities for current use insufficient. Renovation to the office building will alleviate any overcrowding and will reutilize space appropriate for current and future use. The warehouse and truck storage areas have, with the growth over the years, become insufficient facilities to

meet Fleming-Mason's needs. The proposed new warehouse space will allow for vehicle service and maintenance, and all trucks will have parking spaces in the new warehouse. The consultant recommends that the existing fieldhouse, which has 3,400 square feet, be torn down to accommodate the new warehouse facility. The new fieldhouse, which will be 3,700 square feet, will be used for the annual meeting, safety meetings, and other utility events. The new facility will also be available to the public to be used for community events. This CPCN does not represent approval of Fleming-Mason's financing plan.

Based on the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that the renovation of the headquarters office is needed to alleviate the overcrowding. The warehouse facility is needed for storage and equipment parking, and the fieldhouse is needed to accommodate Fleming-Mason safety meetings and other community events.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Fleming-Mason is granted a CPCN to construct the proposed facility and to remodel the existing headquarters office in Flemingsburg, Kentucky as proposed in its application.

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Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

<u>Robert a amath for</u> the Executive Director

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