COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

FILING OF OWEN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE,) CASE NO. INC. TO IMPLEMENT A TIME OF DAY TARIFF) 2012-00154 FOR ITS SMART HOME PILOT PROGRAM)

ORDER

On April 17, 2012, Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Owen Electric") submitted a tariff with proposed Time of Day rates for all consumers who are eligible for Schedule I-Farm and Home and are participants in its Smart Home Pilot Program ("Smart Home Pilot"). Owen Electric's proposed tariff is designated as PSC No. 6, Sheet 23D, and Owen Electric has proposed that its new Time of Day tariff become effective for service rendered on and after June 1, 2012.

Information regarding Owen Electric's Smart Home Pilot was provided in Owen Electric's recent revenue-neutral rate case.¹ The Smart Home Pilot, however, has not been reviewed in detail nor approved by the Commission. Finding that the proposed Time of Day tariff is an integral part of the Smart Home Pilot, the Commission finds that, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), an investigation of the tariff and the Smart Home Pilot is necessary to determine their reasonableness and that such investigation cannot be

¹ Case No. 2011-00037, Application of Owen Electric Cooperative Corporation for an Order Authorizing a Change in Rate Design for its Residential and Small Commercial Rate Classes, and the Proffering of Several Optional Rate Designs for the Residential Rate Classes (Ky. PSC Feb. 29, 2012).

concluded prior to the effective date of the proposed tariff. The Commission will use its best efforts to expedite this investigation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. This proceeding is opened to investigate the reasonableness of Owen Electric's proposed Time of Day tariff and Smart Home Pilot.
- 2. Owen Electric's proposed Time of Day tariff is suspended for three months, from June 1, 2012 up to and including August 31, 2012.

By the Commission

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