COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
THE FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF BIG)	CASE NO.
RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION FROM)	2012-00323
NOVEMBER 1, 2011 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2012)	

ORDER

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:056, the Commission established this case on August 22, 2012 to review and evaluate the operation of the Fuel Adjustment Clause ("FAC") of Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") for the six-month period that ended on April 30, 2012. As part of this review, Big Rivers submitted certain information, pursuant to Commission Order, concerning its compliance with 807 KAR 5:056. The Commission held a public hearing on this matter on October 11, 2012. On October 25, 2012, Big Rivers filed its response to requests made at the hearing.

The Commission has previously established Big Rivers' base fuel cost as 20.932 mills per kWh.¹ A review of Big Rivers' monthly FAC filings shows that the actual fuel cost incurred for the period under review ranged from a low of 21.95 mills in November 2011 to a high of 24.26 mills in April 2012, with an average for the review period of 23.31 mills.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds no evidence of improper calculation or application of Big Rivers' FAC charges or improper fuel procurement practices.

¹ Case No. 2010-00495, An Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation. from July 17, 2009 Through October 31, 2010 (Ky. PSC May 31, 2011).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the charges and credits billed by Big Rivers through its FAC for the period November 1, 2011 through April 30, 2012 are approved.

By the Commission

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