COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF JACKSON ENERGY)COOPERATIVE CORPORATION FOR AN)CASE NO.ADJUSTMENT OF RATES)2013-00219

<u>ORDER</u>

On September 27, 2013, Jackson Energy Cooperative Corporation ("Jackson Energy") filed Affidavits of Publication which indicated that notice of its proposed rates had been published in the following newspapers for the counties indicated: the *Manchester Enterprise*, Clay County; the *Citizen Voice & Times*, Estill County; the *Jackson County Sun*, Jackson County; the *London Sentinel Echo*, Laurel County; the *Three Forks Tradition*, Lee County; the *Booneville Sentinel*, Owsley County, and the *Mount Vernon Signal*, Rockcastle County.

807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(3)(b), states that an applicant that has more than 20 customers and is not a sewage utility shall post at its place of business a sheet containing the information required by Subsection 4 and shall: (1) Include notice with customer bills mailed by the date the application is filed; (2) Publish notice in a trade publication or newsletter going to all customers by the date the application is filed; or (3) Publish notice once a week for three consecutive weeks in a prominent manner in a newspaper of general circulation in the utility's service area, the first publication to be made by the date the application is filed. 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(3)(c), states that utilities providing service in multiple counties may use a combination of the notice methods listed in paragraph (b) of the subsection.

Based on a review of Jackson Energy's rate application and the Affidavits of Publication, the Commission finds that:

1. Jackson Energy provides service to customers in each of the counties in which its proposed rates were published, as well as the following counties: Breathitt, Garrard, Leslie, Lincoln, Madison, Powell, Pulaski, and Wolfe. The record reflects that notice of the proposed rates has not been provided to Jackson Energy's customers in the following counties: Breathitt, Garrard, Leslie, Lincoln, Madison, Powell, Pulaski, and Wolfe.

2. Jackson Energy should provide notice of its proposed rates to its customers in Breathitt, Garrard, Leslie, Lincoln, Madison, Powell, Pulaski, and Wolfe counties in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(3)(b), by either: (1) including notice with customer bills; (2) publishing notice in a trade publication or newsletter going to all customers in each of those counties; or (3) publishing notice once a week for three consecutive weeks in a prominent manner in a newspaper of general circulation in each service area.

3. Jackson Energy should file with the Commission proof of publication and/or proof of mailing of its notice of proposed rates as soon as practicable following publication and/or mailing.

4. The Commission issued an Order in this matter on September 6, 2013, which granted Jackson Energy's motion for deviation from the filing requirements of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(4)(a), and directed Jackson Energy to post its corrected notice at its place of business and on its website reflecting the corrections contained in its response to the deficiency letter. As Jackson Energy has not provided notice to its

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customers in Breathitt, Garrard, Leslie, Lincoln, Madison, Powell, Pulaski, and Wolfe counties in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(3)(b), the notice that Jackson Energy provides to its customers in those counties should include the corrections to rates contained in its response to the deficiency letter so that the complete correct notice may be provided to its customers in those counties.

5. A formal hearing should be scheduled in this matter.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Jackson Energy shall provide a complete notice of its proposed rates to its customers in Breathitt, Garrard, Leslie, Lincoln, Madison, Powell, Pulaski, and Wolfe counties in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(3)(b), by either: (1) including notice with customer bills; (2) publishing notice in a trade publication or newsletter going to all customers in each of those counties; or (3) publishing notice once a week for three consecutive weeks in a prominent manner in a newspaper of general circulation in each service area. The notice provided to its customers shall include the corrections to rates contained in its response to the deficiency letter so that the complete correct notice is provided to its customers in those counties.

2. Jackson Energy shall file with the Commission proof of publication and/or proof of mailing of its notice of proposed rates to its customers in Breathitt, Garrard, Leslie, Lincoln, Madison, Powell, Pulaski, and Wolfe counties as soon as practicable following publication and/or mailing.

3. A hearing in this matter shall be held on Tuesday, January 28, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky.

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4. Jackson Energy shall publish notice of this hearing in compliance with KRS 424.300 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b).

5. Jackson Energy shall file with the Commission no later than January 24, 2014, proof of publication of its notice of the hearing in each of the publications in which it published notice.

6. The official record of these proceedings shall be by video only.

7. Any request to cancel or postpone this hearing shall be made by motion filed with the Commission at least one week before the hearing is scheduled to commence.

By the Commission



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