COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION FOR A DECLARATORY ORDER

CASE NO. 2016-00278

ORDER

Pursuant to the Commission's Order of August 29, 2017, Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") and the city of Henderson, Kentucky, and the Henderson Utility Commission d/b/a Henderson Municipal Power & Light (collectively, Henderson"), on September 12, 2017, jointly filed a status report indicating that the parties have reached a tentative verbal agreement which would resolve all the issues in this matter. The parties request an additional 45-day extension of the abeyance period in which to reduce to writing their verbal agreement.

Having reviewed the status report and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that the parties have established good cause to permit a 45-day extension of the abeyance period. If the parties are unable to finalize and submit a written settlement agreement within the 45-day extension period, the Commission will not entertain any additional requests for extension and will issue a final Order resolving this matter on the merits.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Big Rivers' and Henderson's request for a 45-day extension of the abeyance period is granted.

2. Big Rivers and Henderson shall, individually or jointly, file a written settlement agreement resolving all issues in this proceeding on or before October 27, 2017.

3. If Big Rivers and Henderson are unable to file a settlement agreement on or before October 27, 2017, the Commission shall shortly thereafter issue a final Order based on the merits of this matter.

By the Commission

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ATTEST: Acting Executive Director

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