## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY	)	
POWER COMPANY FOR (1) A GENERAL	)	
ADJUSTMENT OF ITS RATES FOR ELECTRIC	)	CASE NO.
SERVICE; (2) AN ORDER APPROVING ITS 2017	)	2017-00179
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE PLAN; (3) AN	)	
ORDER APPROVING ITS TARIFFS AND RIDERS;	)	
(4) AN ORDER APPROVING ACCOUNTING	)	
PRACTICES TO ESTABLISH REGULATORY	)	
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES; AND (5) AN ORDER	)	
GRANTING ALL OTHER REQUIRED APPROVALS	)	
AND RELIEF	)	

## ORDER

On April 26, 2017, Kentucky Power filed its notice of intent to file a rate application.

On May 22, 2017, Kentucky Power Company ("Kentucky Power"), filed a motion requesting to deviate from certain rate application filing requirements.

In its motion, Kentucky Power requests permission to deviate from 807 KAR 5:001, Section 12(1)(a), which requires the submission of a detailed financial exhibit for the 12-month period ending not more than 90 days prior to the date of its application. Kentucky Power requests to deviate by filing the required financial exhibit for a 12-month period ending 120 days, rather than 90 days, prior to the date of its application. As a basis for its request, Kentucky Power states that its rate application will be supported by a historical test period ending February 28, 2017, and it therefore prepared the financial exhibit based on a test year ended February 28, 2017, to permit Commission Staff to analyze comparable data in their review of the rate application. Kentucky Power explains that it

intended to file its rate application on May 26, 2017, in which case its financial exhibit would have complied with the 90-day period in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 12(1)(a). Kentucky Power also explains that it needs an additional 30 days to further scrutinize the application to minimize the risk of any errors. As a result, Kentucky Power states that the application will now be filed on or before June 28, 2017.

Also in its motion, Kentucky Power requested permission to deviate from 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(2), which requires a utility to file notice of its intent to file a rate application at least 30 days but not more than 60 days prior to filing its application. Kentucky Power filed its notice of intent on April 26, 2017; the 60-day period expires Sunday, June 25, 2017. As detailed above, Kentucky Power determined that it needs additional time to review its application to minimize any potential errors in its filing. Kentucky Power states that if it files its application as planned on or before June 28, 2017, the application will be filed 63 days after the notice of intent was filed, which is a delay of three days beyond the regulatory notice requirement. As a basis for its motion, Kentucky Power contends that granting the deviation will not prejudice the Commission, intervenors, or Kentucky Power's customers. Kentucky Power has arranged for public notice in newspapers of general circulation in its service territory for three consecutive weeks, beginning at least one week prior to the proposed June 28, 2017 filing date.

807 KAR 5:001, Section 22, provides the Commission with the authority to permit deviations from its regulations for good cause shown. Having reviewed the motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that the requested deviations from 807 KAR 5:001, Section 12(1)(a), and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(2) are minor in

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nature, will not prejudice the Commission or any party, and should be granted for good cause shown.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Kentucky Power's motion to deviate from the filing requirements of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 12(1)(a) and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(2)(a) is granted.

By the Commission

**ENTERED** 

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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