COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

2017 INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN OF BIG)Case No.RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION)2017-00384

ORDER

On September 21, 2017, Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") filed with the Commission its 2017 Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP"). Based on its initial review of the Big Rivers IRP, the Commission finds that additional inquiry is necessary. Due to Commission Staff's ("Staff") employee levels and workloads, the dates that would normally be set for processing this case should be moved back to allow sufficient time for Staff to complete its review of the IRP and issue a Staff Report.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed in this proceeding.

2. a. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to questions related to the information provided, with copies to all parties of record, and the original and six copies to the Commission.

b. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or an association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

c. A party shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect.

d. For any request to which a party fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

e. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

f. Any party filing a paper containing personal information shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that the personal information cannot be read.

3. As set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11)(a), a person requesting permissive intervention in a Commission proceeding is required to demonstrate either (1) a special interest in the proceeding which is not adequately represented in the case, or (2) that the person requesting permissive intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. Further, KRS 278.040(2) requires that a person seeking intervention must have an interest in the rates or service of a utility, as those are the only matters that are subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.

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Therefore, any person requesting to intervene in a Commission proceeding must state with specificity the person's special interest that is not otherwise adequately represented, or the issues and facts that the person will present that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter. A mere recitation of the quantity of utility service consumed by the movant or a general statement regarding a potential impact of possible modification of rates will not be deemed sufficient to establish a special interest. In addition, any motion to intervene filed after May 25, 2018, shall also show good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

4. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance. Accordingly, motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

5. Upon the request of a party and showing of good cause, an informal conference shall be scheduled.

6. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

By the Commission

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APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2017-00384 DATED NOV 0 9 2017

All requests for intervention shall be filed no later than05/25/1	8
All initial requests for information to Big Rivers shall be filed no later than06/22/1	8
Big Rivers shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than07/20/1	8
All additional requests for information to Big Rivers shall be filed no later than	8
Big Rivers shall file responses to additional requests for information no later than	18
Any party desiring to file written comments on the Big Rivers IRP shall do so no later than	18
Big Rivers shall file any written responses to the comments no later than	8

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