COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION FOR TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS AND A DECLARATORY ORDER AND FOR AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A REGULATORY ASSET

CASE NO. 2018-00146

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<u>ORDER</u>

This matter arises upon the motion of Big Rivers Electric Corporation (BREC), filed August 10, 2018, requesting that the matter be held in abeyance and a status conference be scheduled. In support of its motion, BREC states that it has reached a tentative agreement with Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc. (KIUC) regarding BREC's request to establish a regulatory asset. BREC indicates that it is still negotiating with the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by and through the Office of Rate Intervention (Attorney General), on the regulatory asset issue. BREC requests that the current procedural schedule be suspended to allow the parties an opportunity to continue their settlement discussions and to potentially submit a unanimous settlement agreement for the Commission's consideration. BREC also requests that a status conference be scheduled to discuss the settlement of the remaining issues and future procedural steps.

Having reviewed the motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that BREC has established good cause to have the instant matter be held in abeyance pending finalization and submission of a settlement agreement. The Commission further finds that BREC has established good cause to permit the scheduling of a formal status conference.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. BREC's motion to hold the matter in abeyance and for a status conference is granted.

2. The matter shall be held in abeyance for a period of 30 days from the date of this Order.

3. A formal status conference shall be held on Tuesday, October 2, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky.

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