## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT AND ACQUIRE A 345 KV TRANSMISSION LINE IN HANCOCK COUNTY, KENTUCKY

CASE NO. 2018-00004

## ORDER

This matter arises on a petition filed on May 14, 2018, by Big Rivers Electric Corporation (BREC), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, requesting that designated materials filed with the Commission be afforded confidential protection for an indefinite period.

In support of its petition filed on May 14, 2018, BREC states that public disclosure of the designated materials contained in its responses to Item 1 of the Commission Staff's First Request for Information, and Item 1 of the Attorney General's First Request for Information would result in competitive injury because the responses contain confidential and sensitive information regarding the transmission line project costs incurred by a third party and estimates of future costs.

Having considered the petition and the materials at issue, the Commission finds that the designated materials described in BREC's May 14, 2018, petition meet the criteria for confidential treatment and are exempted from public disclosure pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. BREC's May 14, 2018, petition for confidential protection is granted.

2. The designated materials shall not be placed in the public record or made available for public inspection for an indefinite period, or until further Orders of this Commission.

3. Use of the designated materials in any Commission proceeding shall be in compliance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(9).

4. BREC shall inform the Commission if the designated materials become publicly available or no longer qualify for confidential treatment.

5. If a non-party to this proceeding requests to inspect the designated materials granted confidential treatment by this Order and the period during which the materials have been granted confidential treatment has not expired, BREC shall have 30 days from receipt of written notice of the request to demonstrate that the materials still fall within the exclusions from disclosure requirements established in KRS 61.878. If BREC is unable to make such demonstration, the requested materials shall be made available for inspection. Otherwise, the Commission shall deny the request for inspection.

6. The Commission shall not make the designated materials available for inspection for 30 days following an Order finding that the materials no longer qualify for confidential treatment in order to allow BREC to seek a remedy afforded by law.

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By the Commission

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