## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY	)	
UTILITIES COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF	)	CASE NO.
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR	)	2022-00066
THE CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSMISSION	)	
FACILITIES IN HARDIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY	)	

## ORDER

On March 31, 2022, Kentucky Utilities Company (KU) filed an application, pursuant to KRS 278.020, 807 KAR 5:001, Sections 15 and 19, and 807 KAR 5:120, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to construct two 345-kilovolt (kV) transmission lines, two 138 kV transmission lines, and two associated substations in Hardin County, Kentucky. KRS 278.020(9) requires the Commission to issue a decision no later than 90 days after the application is filed unless the Commission extends this period, for good cause, to 120 days. KU requested a decision in this matter within 90 days.<sup>1</sup>

On April 6, 2022, the Commission issued a procedural schedule in this matter to facilitate the orderly processing of the application within the 90-day timeframe. However, the Commission reserved its statutory right to extend the investigation period for good cause. Following the filing of numerous requests for intervention, the Commission amended the procedural schedule by Order dated April 14, 2022, but did not extend the investigation period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Application, paragraph 7.

The Commission, on its own motion, finds that good cause exists to extend the investigation period in this proceeding. The April 6, 2022 Order establishing a procedural schedule stated that the Commission would use its best efforts to conclude this proceeding within 90 days. The Commission has used its best efforts to avoid extending the investigation period, but the number of briefs filed in this proceeding and the complexity of the issues presented in those briefs warrant an extension of time for the Commission to fully consider all of the issues raised by the parties.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. This proceeding is continued for the maximum 120 days permitted by KRS 278.020(9).
  - 2. A final Order in this case shall be issued on or before Friday, July 29, 2022.

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