

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN ELECTRONIC EXAMINATION OF THE)	
APPLICATION OF THE FUEL ADJUSTMENT)	
CLAUSE OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC)	CASE NO.
CORPORATION COOPERATIVES FROM)	2023-00015
NOVEMBER 1, 2020 THROUGH OCTOBER)	
31, 2022)	

ORDER

The Commission, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:056, Section 3(4), hereby initiates the two-year review to examine the application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC) of Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation, Kenergy Corp., and Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (collectively Cooperatives or individually Cooperative) from November 1, 2020, through October 31, 2022.

For the purpose of administrative efficiency, the Commission finds that the records of the prior six-month review cases of Case Nos. 2021-00299¹, 2022-00043², and 2022-00270³, which include review periods that are covered in the two-year period of November 1, 2020, through October 31, 2022 should be incorporated by reference into this proceeding. Case Nos. 2022-00043 and 2022-00270 are ongoing proceedings. The

¹ Case No. 2021-00299, *An Electronic Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation Cooperatives from November 1, 2020 Through April 30, 2021.*

² Case No. 2022-00043, *An Electronic Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation Cooperatives from May 1, 2021 Through October 31, 2021.*

³ Case No. 2022-00270, *An Electronic Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation Cooperatives from November 1, 2021 Through April 30, 2022.*

Commission will schedule an evidentiary hearing, at a later date, that will consider the record of this proceeding and the ongoing Case Nos. 2022-00043 and 2022-00270. Thus, the Commission finds that it will conclude its review of Case No. 2022-00043 and Case No. 2022-00270 in this proceeding.

The Commission, on its own motion, finds that a procedural schedule should be established for the orderly processing of this case. A procedural schedule is set forth in Appendix A to this Order.

In addition, each Cooperative shall file on or before the date set forth in the procedural schedule its responses to the Commission Staff's request for information, attached to this Order as Appendix B, and shall respond to any future requests for information propounded by Commission Staff by the date or dates set forth on any such requests.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The procedural schedule set forth in Appendix A to this Order shall be followed.
2. Each Cooperative shall individually file with the Commission an affidavit attesting to its compliance or noncompliance with the requirements of 807 KAR 5:056 by the date set forth in the procedural schedule attached as Appendix A.
3. On or before the date set forth in the procedural schedule, each Cooperative shall file its responses to the Commission Staff's request for information, attached to this Order as Appendix B.
4. Each Cooperative shall respond to any additional requests for information propounded by Commission Staff as provided in those requests.

5. Each Cooperative shall individually respond to Commission Staff's Request for Information attached to this Order as Appendix B by the date set forth in the procedural schedule attached as Appendix A.

6. Unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, the electronic filing procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, shall be followed when filing papers in this proceeding. 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 that 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. 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 the date established in the procedural schedule 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.

7. 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.

8. All documents that the Cooperatives filed with the Commission pursuant to 807 KAR 5:056, Section 2(1)–2(4), for the period under review are incorporated by reference into the record of this proceeding.

9. The records of the prior six-month review cases of Case Nos. 2021-00299⁴, 2022-00043⁵, and 2022-00270⁶ which include review periods that are included in the two-year period of November 1, 2020, through October 31, 2022, shall be incorporated by reference into this proceeding. The Commission shall conclude its review of Case No. 2022-00043 and Case No. 2022-00270 in this proceeding.


10. Cooperatives shall provide its response to the request for information issued by Commission Staff in full. In providing its responses, Cooperatives shall refrain from referring back to a similar question asked in a prior six-month period FAC review case. Cooperatives may refer to a response filed in a prior FAC review case but shall still furnish all of the requested information and make note if the response merits no change. Should the response merit change, then Cooperatives may reference the response provided in a prior six-month review case and explain in detail what changes have occurred since the response was given.

⁴ Case No. 2021-00299, *An Electronic Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation Cooperatives from November 1, 2020 Through April 30, 2021.*

⁵ Case No. 2022-00043, *An Electronic Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation Cooperatives from May 1, 2021 Through October 31, 2021.*

⁶ Case No. 2022-00270, *An Electronic Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation Cooperatives from November 1, 2021 Through April 30, 2022.*

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Chairman



Vice Chairman



Commissioner

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SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:



Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2023-00015 DATED SEP 06 2023

Last day for intervention requests to be accepted..... 09/22/2023

Individually, the Cooperatives shall file with the Commission
an affidavit attesting to its compliance or noncompliance
with the requirements of 807 KAR 5:056 no later than 09/22/2023

Individually, the Cooperatives shall file with the Commission
the responses to requests for information set forth
in Appendix B no later than 09/22/2023

APPENDIX B

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2023-00015 DATED SEP 06 2023

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION COOPERATIVES

Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation, Kenergy Corp., and Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (collectively Cooperatives or individually Cooperative), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file individually, with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on September 22, 2023. The Commission directs each Cooperative to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085⁷ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or the 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.

⁷ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

The Cooperatives shall make timely amendment to any prior response if any Cooperative obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect or incomplete when made or, though correct or complete when made, is now incorrect or incomplete in any material respect.

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

Careful attention shall be given to copied and scanned 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. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, the Cooperatives shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Provide a schedule of the calculation of the 12-month average line loss, by month, for the period under review.
2. Describe the measures that have been taken to reduce line loss during the period under review.
3. Provide the monthly revenue reports and monthly billing summaries which show the total FAC billings and FAC revenue collected as reported in the monthly filings required by the Commission for the period under review.

4. Provide a schedule showing the calculation of the increase or decrease in base fuel costs per kWh as proposed by wholesale electric supplier adjusted for the 12-month average line loss for the period under review.

5. Provide a schedule of the present and proposed rates pursuant to 807 KAR 5:056 as calculated in Item 4 above, shown in comparative form.

6. Provide a copy of the present tariff indicating the proposed changes in rates by italicized inserts or underscoring and striking over proposed deletion.

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