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July 30, 2007

**Via Federal Express**

Hon. Elizabeth A. O'Donnell  
Executive Director  
Public Service Commission  
211 Sower Boulevard, P.O. Box 615  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

Re: In the Matter of the 2005 Integrated Resource Plan  
of Big Rivers Electric Corporation, Case No. 2005-00485

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Please refer to your letter to me of April 25, 2006 in this matter, in which you advised that the staff of the Public Service Commission ("Commission") requests Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") to report on the status of the Big Rivers-E.ON transaction unwind process on May 31, 2006, and every 60 days thereafter. We have sent status reports in letters dated May 30, 2006, July 27, 2006, September 28, 2006, November 29, 2006, January 26, 2007, March 29, 2007, and May 30, 2007. This letter is the eighth status report on behalf of Big Rivers.

Also please refer to your letter of April 24, 2007, to David A. Spainhoward, a Big Rivers Vice President, granting his request to hold in abeyance certain continuing reporting obligations of Big Rivers pending the anticipated closing of the "unwind" transaction. This letter will serve as a continuing response to the requirement in that letter that Big Rivers file an update regarding the status of the preparation of its unwind transaction approvals application.

As you know, the Transaction Termination Agreement among Big Rivers, LG&E Energy Marketing Inc. and Western Kentucky Energy Corp. was signed as of March 26, 2007. Big Rivers gave notice on May 4, 2007, of its intent to file an application requesting a certificate of public convenience and necessity for a transmission line project that is an integral part of its overall unwind transaction plan. That application was filed on June 29, 2007, was assigned Case No. 2007-00177. An informal conference in that case is scheduled for August 3, 2007.

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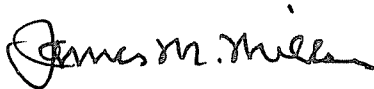
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As predicted in our letter of May 30, 2007, the delays attendant to work on the unwind financial model have impacted completion of the agreements under which Big Rivers and Kenergy Corp. expect to provide service to Alcan Primary Products and Century Aluminum post-closing, and the schedule for filing the application for the principal unwind transaction approvals. Big Rivers is unable to predict accurately the date on which that application will be filed, but has verbally committed to give the Commission at least thirty days advance notice of that filing. Big Rivers anticipates receiving information in August that will permit it to more accurately predict the filing date.

Big Rivers appreciates you allowing it to hold in abeyance certain of its filing requirements. We will continue to keep the Commission informed as this transaction progresses.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James M. Miller". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "M".

James M. Miller

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