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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Ms. Stephanie Stumbo
Executive Director
Public Service Commission
211 Sower Boulevard
P.O. Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

Re: Case No. 2007-00378

Dear Ms. Stumbo:

JAMES T. WHITLOW

BENJAMIN J. HUMPHRIES

JOHN J. SCOTT

Please find enclosed an original and 7 copies of the Response filed by Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation in the above-styled case.

Sincerely yours,

John J/Scott, Attorney for Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:	
AN EXAMINATION BY THE PUBLIC)
SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE)
ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE)
MECHANISM OF EAST KENTUCKY)
POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR)
THE SIX-MONTH BILLING PERIODS)
ENDING JUNE 30, 2006 AND)CASE NO. 2007-00378
DECEMBER 31, 2006, FOR THE TWO-)
YEAR BILLING PERIOD ENDING)
JUNE 30, 2007, AND THE PASS	
THROUGH MECHANISM FOR ITS)
SIXTEEN MEMBER DISTRIBUTION)
COOPERATIVES)

RESPONSE TO ORDER OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DATED MAY 1, 2008

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Comes Michael L. Miller, President of Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, and being first duly sworn, files the following Responses to the Order of the Public Service Commission dated May 1, 2008 in the above-styled action:

Question No. 1: Has your cooperative experienced any problems in administering its environmental surcharge pass through mechanism over the two-year period under review in this case? If yes, explain in detail the nature of the problems and any suggested changes to cure the problems.

Response No. 1: Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation has experienced a significant under-recovery of the environmental surcharge from industrial customers, due to the pass-through allocation methodology

used to bill for the surcharge at retail. East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. is currently evaluating this situation, in an effort to determine if changes can be made in the pass-through mechanism which would resolve this underrecovery, but Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation does not have a specific change to recommend at this time.

Question No. 2: Has your cooperative received any customer complaints regarding the environmental surcharge pass through mechanism during the two-year period under review in this case? If yes, state the number of complaints received, the nature of each complaint, and the service classification of each customer making a complaint.

Response No. 2: Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation has received multiple complaints regarding the Environmental Surcharge. (Cheryl Thomas, Manager of Office Services, worked on this Response). The complaints are for high bills. Members base their complaints on the amount of money due, not the amount of kWh they have used. The following breakdown shows the complaints documented per year:

August 2005 to December 2005 70 complaints

January 2006 to December 2006 146 complaints

January 2007 to December 2007 410 complaints

January 2008 to April 2008 327 complaints

Total Complaints – 953 with approx. 99% being residential members

Question No. 3: Does your cooperative believe that its environmental surcharge pass through mechanism has operated reasonably over the two-year period under review in this case? If no, explain in detail.

Response No. 3: See responses to Questions 1 and 4.

Question No. 4: Does your cooperative have any recommended changes for its existing environmental surcharge pass through mechanism? If yes, explain in detail the nature of each change and the reasons why the change is needed.

Response No. 4: As referenced in the response to Request No. 1, East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. ("EKPC") has been made aware of the fact that some EKPC member systems are experiencing an under-recovery of the environmental surcharge from certain customer classes, or large customers, due to the pass-through mechanism. Since the impact of this situation varies among different member systems, EKPC is currently evaluating this issue, in an attempt to identify possible changes in the allocation methodology which would be equitable for all member systems and retail customers. It is hoped that some acceptable changes to the pass-through methodology can be developed within the next 60 days. EKPC plans to present any proposed changes to the pass-through methodology to the Commission for review at the earliest appropriate time.

I, Michael L. Miller, the President of Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, certify that the above Responses to the Order of the Public Service Commission dated May 1, 2008 are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

MICHAEL L. MILLER, President of Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative

Corporation 411 Ring Road

Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701

STATE OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF HARDIN

I, the undersigned, a No	otary Public, do hereby certify that on this
	, 2008, personally appeared before me
MICHAEL L. MILLER, who	being by me first duly sworn, subscribed to
and acknowledged that he	is the President of NOLIN RURAL
ELECTRIC COOPERATIV	E CORPORATION, a Kentucky rural
	on, that he signed the foregoing document as
1 1	corporation, and that the statements therein
contained are true.	Willeath
	NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Kentucky
	At Large ///
My commission expires	9-11-09 // ().
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	ATTORNEY FOR NOLIN RURAL
	ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORP.
I certify that a true copy	of the Responses to the Order of the Public

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