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July 8, 2008

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PARTIES OF RECORD: Case No. 2007-00455 Big Rivers Electric Corporation

Attached are copies of two informal conference memoranda which are being filed in the record of the above-referenced case. If you wish to make any comments regarding the contents of the memoranda, please do so within five days of receipt of this letter. Should you have any questions, please contact Richard Raff at 502/564-3940, Extension 263.

Stephanie Stumbo

Executive Director

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INTRA-AGENCY MEMORANDUM

KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

TO: Case File No. 2007-00455

FROM: Richard Raff, Staff Attorney

DATE: July 8, 2008

SUBJECT: Big Rivers Electric Corporation, et al.

Pursuant to the request for an informal conference which was sent by e-mail on June 25, 2008 by Big Rivers to all parties, the Commission Staff issued a notice of telephone conference to be held on June 26, 2008. The phone bridge was established by Big Rivers and disseminated to all parties. Those participating in the call were:

For Big Rivers: Jim Miller

Doug Beresford Bill Blackburn Chuck Buechel

Carl Lyon

For Alcan/Century:

David Brown Kendrick Riggs

E.ON:

Allyson Sturgeon Deborah Eversole

Dan Arbough

Attorney General's Office: Dennis Howard

Larry Cook Paul Adams

David Brevitz

City of Henderson:

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Kenergy/Meade County:

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Jackson Purchase: IBEW:

Don Meade

Commission Staff:

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Jeff Johnson Isaac Scott Scott Lawless

Richard Raff

The purpose of the telephone conference was to discuss the recent financial downgrading of Ambac Assurance Corporation, the financial entity providing credit support to Big Rivers' leveraged leases with Bank of American and Phillip Morris. Also

discussed was the letter dated June 24, 2008 from Big Rivers to the Commission requesting a Staff advisory opinion on whether Commission approvals are necessary for Big Rivers to terminate its leveraged lease of the Wilson Generating Unit with Bank of America. Big Rivers affirmatively stated that it would not be undertaking any additional risk by terminating the leveraged lease and, based upon that representation, none of the parties expressed an objection to the proposed termination.

Big Rivers also discussed the implications of the recent financial downgrading of Ambac Assurance Corporation upon the leveraged lease involving Phillip Morris, and the need for additional time to determine an appropriate course of action. Since the resolution of this issue might impact the projections contained in Big Rivers' financial unwind model, Big Rivers requested that the hearing scheduled to commence on July 1, 2008 be postponed until further notice. None of the parties objected to that suggestion.

cc: Parties of Record

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SUBJECT:

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Pursuant to the June 13, 2008 Commission Staff's notice of informal conference, a conference was held at the Commission's offices on June 19, 2008. A list of the attendees is attached hereto.

The first item discussed at the conference was Big Rivers' updated unwind financial model, filed on June 11, 2008. Big Rivers' consultant, Robert Mudge, discussed the recent changes to the financial model, particularly those related to higher fuel costs. In an effort to offset those higher fuel costs, the financial model reflects an additional contribution of \$157 million from E.ON, with \$82 million allocated to non-smelter customers and \$75 million allocated to the smelters. A copy of Mr. Mudge's handout is attached hereto.

The second item discussed was the June 18, 2008 letter from E.ON to the Commission regarding Big Rivers' intent to terminate its leveraged lease of the Wilson Generating Unit with the Bank of America. The letter stated that if the termination is not completed by June 30, 2008, the cost to do so would increase substantially. The letter also discussed the basis upon which the Commission had asserted jurisdiction over the leveraged lease when it was entered into in 2000 and the reasons why E.ON believes that no Commission approvals are necessary for Big Rivers to now terminate that leveraged lease. The discussion on this item was led by Dan Arbough, E.ON's treasurer. A copy of Mr. Arbough's handout is attached hereto.

The third item discussed was Big Rivers' further response to the 29 outstanding issues previously raised on May 15, 2008 at an informal conference among the parties. To assist in the discussion of these outstanding issues, Big Rivers presented a written handout describing each outstanding issue and the manner in which it has either been addressed to date or will be addressed. A copy of that handout is attached hereto.

In recognition that the Commission had set this case for hearing to commence on July 1, 2008, Big Rivers requested that the parties indicate, no later than June 26, 2008, if there were any witnesses that would not be called for cross-examination at the hearing. The parties further agreed to participate on a telephone conference call to be held on June 27, 2008.

cc (without handouts): Parties of Record

Termination of Bank of America Lease at Unwind Closing

If Unwind Transaction Closes

- Big Rivers contributes \$1 million toward termination of lease
- Smelters contribute a total of \$1 million toward termination of lease
- E.ON US funds the difference between a) the Bank of America termination cost less b) the sum of 1) the liquidation value of the investment contract (at a lower value) plus 2) the contributions from Big Rivers and the smelters.
- Wilson Station Operating Agreement Amendment becomes effective
- Big Rivers has one fewer creditor and arguably less risk since there is no risk of a default under the Bank of America lease

If Unwind Transaction Never Occurs

• Bank of America lease remains in force without change

Early Termination of Bank of America Lease

If Unwind Transaction Closes

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- Smelters contribute a total of \$1 million toward termination of lease
- E.ON US funds the difference between a) the Bank of America termination cost less b) the sum of 1) the liquidation value of the investment contract plus 2) the contributions from Big Rivers and the smelters.
- Wilson Station Operating Agreement Amendment becomes effective
- Big Rivers has one fewer creditor and arguably less risk since there is no risk of a default under the Bank of America lease

If Unwind Transaction Never Occurs

- Big Rivers incurs no cost to terminate the Bank of America lease
- E.ON US funds the difference between a) the Bank of America termination cost less b) the liquidation value of the investment contract.
- Big Rivers has one fewer creditor and arguably less risk since there is no risk of a default under the Bank of America lease

Summary of Changes to the Unwind Financial Model

Contents:

- Key Changes
- Change in Projected Revenue Requirement
- Allocation of Change in Revenue Requirement
- Rate Change Detail:
- Non-Smelter Members
- Smelters
- Appendices:
- A Deferral of Capital Markets Debt
- B Debt Service Step-Up In 2016
- C Projected Fuel Costs

Key Changes:

A. Financing

(Already reflected in financial model dated 4/22/08)

- Capital markets debt issuance deferred
- RUS New Note reduced by \$200m at close instead of \$400m+
- Additional \$200m refinancing of RUS New Note in 2016
- PCB bonds modeled to bear interest at 5%, instead of 3.6%

B. Updated Production Costs

Increases in:

- Fuel prices
- Power purchase costs
- Offsystem sale revenues
- Net allowance costs

Key Changes (Contd.):

C. Fuel Compensation from E.On

\$82m more to non-Smelter Member Economic Reserve

Non-Smelter Member rates held constant for fuel into 2013

\$7m payment from Big Rivers to Smelter FAC Reserve *

D. Other

Pre-transaction cash balances adjusted

Bank of America lease bought out

Member reg. account in lieu of PPA starts amortizing in 2011

Misc. conforming adjustments

^{*} Up to an additional \$70m plus accrued interest to be paid directly by E.On to the Smelters as increased fuel costs incurred, not reflected in the financial model.

Change in Projected Revenue Requirement:

		1	2008 - 2012 \$M	2013 - 2023 \$M	Total
Financing costs benefit	Chanc	Change in Revenue Requirement		ļ	•
from deferral of capital markets debt, though increased overall	1 A. Financing 2 Capital Ma 3 PCB Bond	Financing Capital Markets/ RUS New Note Interest PCB Bond Interest	(4.0) 9.3	(18.2) 21.9	(22.2)
	4 Su	Subtotal	5.3	3.7	9.0
ruel cost increases dominate change in	5 × 1 + 6 + Re	x 1 + Margin Requirement (= 1.24) + Reduced Interest Earnings *	6.6	4.5	11.1
revenue requirement	7 Total	tal	8.6	16.6	25.1
Incremental fuel	8 B. Upo	B. Updated Production Costs Fuel	316.2	157.5	473.7
reflected primarily in 2008	10 Purc	Purchased Power	32.3	14.9	47.2
- 2023 period	11 Offsy 12 Net	Offsystem Sales	(61.6)	(29.8)	(91.4)
		tt	292.5	196.7	489.2
	14 C. Fue	Fuel Compensation			
	15 Mem	Member Economic Reserve	(90.7)	(2.7)	(93.5)
		Smelter FAC Reserve	(7.7)	1	(7.7)
	17 Total	tal	(38.5)	(2.7)	(101.2)
	18 <u>D. Other</u>	<u>ler</u>	(2.6)	(16.8)	(19.4)
	19 Over	Overall Total	200.0	193.7	393.6

^{*} Additional transaction proceeds applied to RUS New Note Reduction/ stepped-up principal repayments after 2015

Allocation of Change in Revenue Requirement:

2008 - 2013 -	1		
			1 S Millions
 Revenue requirement 	relatively small for non-	Smelter Members from	2008 – 2012

Total

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Smelters also benefit from E.On contribution outside of financial model

72.7	393.6	(77.3)	316.3			1.13		2.80	(0.68)	2.13
68.2 125.5	193.7	•	193.7			1.44		1.56	-	1.56
4.5 195.4	200.0	(77.3)	122.6			0.27		5.73	(2.27)	3.46
\$ Millions Members Smelters	Subtotal	Less E.On Contribution *	Net		\$/ MWh	Members		Smelters - Financial Model	Less E.On Contribution *	Smelters - Net
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^{*} Outside of financial model, includes accrued interest

Rate Change Detail - Non-Smelter Members:

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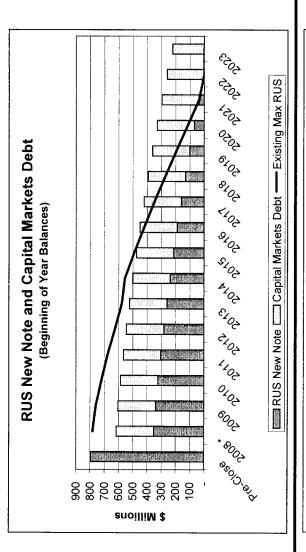
		2008 - 2012	2013 - 2023	Total
		\$/ MWh	\$/ MWh	\$/ MWh
<u></u>	2/14/2008	34.71	48.06	44.56
2	GRA	1	(0.21)	(0.15)
က	Reg. Account Amort.	0.27	0.22	0.23
4	Subtotal	0.27	0.01	0.08
2				
9	FAC	5.85	1.07	2.32
7	ES	0.09	0.41	0.33
œ	Surcredits	(0.21)	ı	(0.05)
တ	Rebate Realized	(0.35)	(0.00)	(0.09)
0	Subtotal	5.39	1.48	2.50
_	Economic Reserve/ MRSM	(5.39)	(0.06)	(1.45)
2	Subtotal	•	1.42	1.05
3				
4 1	Total	0.27	1.44	1.13
2	6/11/2008	34.98	49.49	45.69

Rate Change Detail - Smelters	me	ters	2008 -	2013 - 2023	Total
			\$/ MWh	\$/ MWh	\$/ MWh
 Rate impact summarized 	←	2/14/2008	39.06	20.06	46.78
on weighted average basis	7	GRA	1	(0.16)	(0.11)
at right	က	TIER Adjustment	(0.44)	0.14	(0.03)
stace lent of eactor!	4	TIER Related Rebate	(0.36)	1	(0.11)
partially offset in 2008 –	2	Subtotal	(0.80)	(0.02)	(0.25)
2012 period	9				
	7	FAC	5.83	1.14	2.54
 No offset to increased PPA 	œ	FAC Reserve	(0.23)	1	(0.07)
or environmental surcharge	တ	Subtotal Subtotal	5.60	1.14	2.47
6000	10				
 Overall increase equals 	7	PPA	0.73	0.04	0.25
\$2.13/ MWh (\$2.80 - 0.68)	12	Environmental Surcharge	0.10	0.40	0.31
	13	Surcharge	0.10	ı	0.03
	4	Subtotal	0.93	0.44	0.58
	15				
	16	Total	5.73	1.56	2.80
	17	6/11/2008	44.79	51.63	49.59
	18				
	19	E.On Direct Payments			
	20	\$/ MWh	(2.27)	1	(0.68)
	21	Net Rates (\$/MWh)	42.52	51.63	48.91

Appendix A – Deferral of Capital Markets Debt

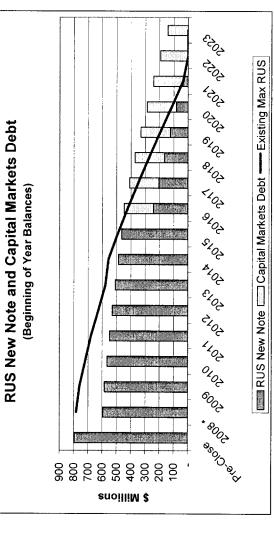
A) Capital Markets at Closing

- 1) RUS New Note reduced at closing:
- \$400M+
- transaction proceeds + new issue
- 2) Remaining RUS New Note amortized into 2021



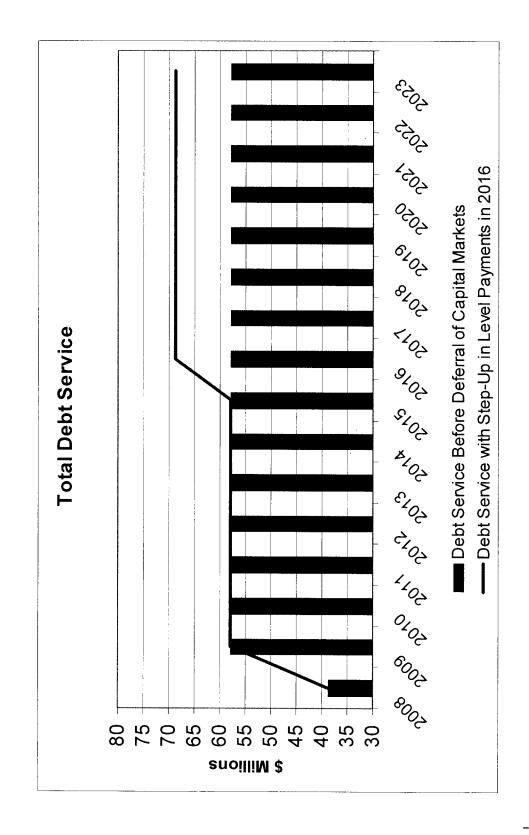
B) Deferred Capital Markets

- 1) RUS New Note reduced at closing:
- \$200M
- transaction proceeds only
- 2) Remaining RUS New Note amortized in two stages:
- Through date of capital markets issue—modeled as \$200m in 2016
- Into 2021

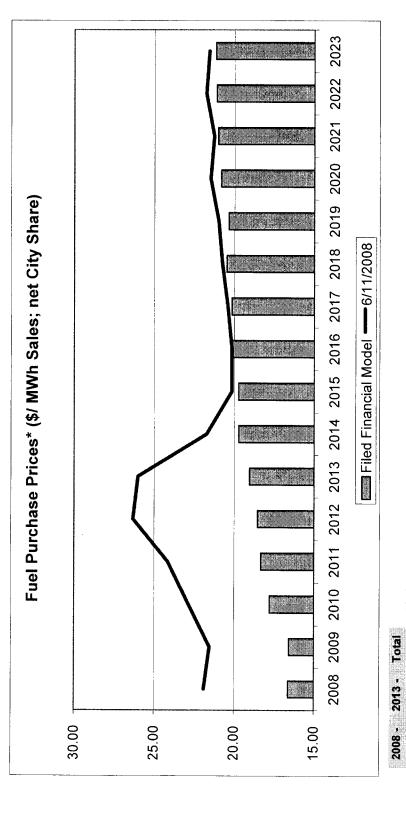


Appendix B – Debt Service Step-Up in 2016

Debt service with step-up reflects Big Rivers' option to issue only \$200m in 2016



Appendix C – Projected Fuel Costs



2023	21.16 21.57 0.41	270.5 277.9 7.42
2022	21.10 21.76 0.66	267.4 278.3 10.90
2021	21.02 21.27 0.24	265.7 270.4 4.69
2020	20.83 21.49 0.66	261.0 271.8 10.80
2019	20.35 20.99 0.63	252.3 262.6 10.30
2018	20.47 20.76 0.28	257.8 262.3 4.51
2017	20.17 20.42 0.25	250.6 253.9 3.32
2016	20.13 20.14 0.02	252.0 251.8 (0.24)
2015	19.72 20.16 0.43	245.5 250.2 4.75
2014	19.71 21.72 2.01	244.6 269.7 25.15
2013	19.03 26.01 6.98	235.0 310.9 75.87
2012	18.53 26.32 7.79	227.7 319.3 91.55
2011	18.31 24.15 5.84	225.1 297.5 72.40
2010	17.77 22.85 5.08	222.0 277.2 55.20
2009	16.56 21.52 4.97	203.5 261.9 58.36
2008	16.62 21.88 5.26	137.6 176.3 38.69
Total		3,818 4,292 473.7
2013 - 2023		2,802 2,960 157.5
2008 - 2012		1,016 1,332 316.2
	\$/MWh 2/14/2008 6/11/2008 Detta \$M	2/14/2008 6/11/2008 Delta

DRAFT SETTLEMENT CONCEPTS

Big Rivers Electric Corporation P.S.C. Case Nos. 2007-00455 and -00460 Informal Conference - June 19, 2008

These "Draft Settlement Concepts" were presented to Commission Staff and the parties by Big Rivers at the May 15, 2008, Informal Conference. Following each entry is a status comment on that Settlement Concept.

Financial Model/Rates

 Big Rivers will provide and file before any hearing in this matter a revision to the Unwind Financial Model showing the cumulative effects on that model of the changes that have occurred in the Unwind Transaction since December 28, 2007, including changes in the Unwind Transaction described in this set of "Draft Settlement Concepts."

<u>Current Status</u>: The updated Unwind Financial Model was filed on June 11, 2008, as part of a Motion to Amend and Supplement Application (see Exhibit 8), and a presentation on it will be given at the beginning of the informal conference on June 19, 2008.

2. Big Rivers is evaluating a resolution to the issues raised regarding the fuel and environmental expenses used to calculate the first two months of operation under the fuel adjustment clause and the environmental surcharge.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers would commit to use the actual expenses reported by WKEC to calculate the fuel adjustment clause charges and the environmental surcharge for the period until Big Rivers' actual costs are available. See Tab 10, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008.

3. Big Rivers would commit that the Economic Reserve will be funded at closing of the Unwind Transaction by an amount no less than \$_____ [\$75 million plus any new funds from fuel issue settlement].

<u>Current Status</u>: Consistent with the settlement of the fuel cost issue reflected in the update of the Unwind Financial Model, Big

Rivers would commit that the Economic Reserve will be funded at closing of the Unwind Transaction by an amount no less than \$157 million. See Tab 9, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008.

4. Big Rivers is formulating a proposal regarding the concerns over Big Rivers' proposed schedule for selling SO_2 allowances in its inventory (excluding the 14,000 SO_2 allowances acquired by Big Rivers in the Unwind Transaction).

<u>Current Status</u>: The position of Big Rivers on this item is stated at Tab 8, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008.

5. Big Rivers will supplement its response to Item 13 of the Commission Staff's Second Supplemental Request for Information to explain in more detail the table of rates in that data request response.

<u>Current Status</u>: See Tab 18, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008.

Smelter-Related Issues

6. Big Rivers is searching for a resolution to the issues raised regarding the prohibition in the Smelter Agreements on a Big Rivers rate adjustment that becomes effective prior to January 1, 2010.

<u>Current Status</u>: This issue has been resolved by an amendment to the Smelter Agreements. See Tab 6, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008, and, for example, Section 13.1.1(c) of Alcan Retail Agreement, Exhibit 3, Motion of Big Rivers to Amend and Supplement Application filed June 11, 2008.

7. Big Rivers will supplement its rebuttal testimony to address in more detail the concerns that the Smelter Agreements unreasonably shift risks to Big Rivers, and "frontend load" benefits for the Smelters.

Current Status: Big Rivers has responded to this issue in detail. See Tab 6, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008.

Financing and Accounting Issues

8. Big Rivers will supplement its rebuttal testimony to describe in more detail why the \$200 million reduction in the Maximum Allowed Balance in the RUS 2008 Promissory Note, Series A before the end of 2015 does not materially affect Big Rivers' risk exposure.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers has responded to this issue in detail. See Tab 16, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008.

9. Big Rivers would account on its books for emission allowances it acquires in the Unwind Transaction in accordance with the RUS Uniform System of Accounts.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers has researched this issue and filed a detailed response. See Tab 17, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008.

City of Henderson (HMP&L) Issues

10. Big Rivers would seek a finding from the Commission in its order authorizing Big Rivers to execute any amendments to the Station Two Contracts between and among Big Rivers, City of Henderson Utility Commission and City of Henderson, which the parties may enter into prior to the closing of the Unwind Transaction, that do not materially adversely affect the Unwind Financial Model or Big Rivers' operating risks following the closing of the Unwind Transaction.

Current Status: See Tab 5, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008, in which Big Rivers proposes the following alternate settlement concept:

"Big Rivers would seek a finding from the Commission in its order authorizing Big Rivers to execute any amendments to the Station Two Contracts between and among Big Rivers, City of Henderson Utility Commission and City of Henderson, which the parties may enter into prior to the closing of the Unwind Transaction, that does not 'materially adversely affect' the Unwind Financial Model or Big Rivers' operating risks following the closing of the Unwind Transaction. Proposed amendments to the Station Two Contracts would be considered 'not to materially

adversely affect the Unwind Financial Model or Big Rivers' operating risks following the closing of the Unwind Transaction if Big Rivers files the proposed amendments with the Commission, and after a period of consideration set by the Commission, the commission has not objected to the proposed amendments becoming effective under the terms of the order, and no intervenor has filed a written objection to the proposed amendments becoming effective under the terms of the order."

Labor Issues

11. Big Rivers would commit to maintaining a sound and constructive relationship with those labor organizations that may represent certain employees of Western Kentucky Energy Corp.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

12. Big Rivers would commit to bargain in good faith with IBEW during any collective bargaining sessions.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

13. Big Rivers would commit to continue to employ in the conduct of its business the level of workforce required to safely and professionally operate its facilities.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

Future Reporting and Filing Commitments

14. Big Rivers would commit to finalize its due diligence on the generating facilities and sites using all resources available to it.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

15. Big Rivers will supplement its rebuttal testimony to supply a comprehensive, written summary of its due diligence plan and efforts regarding the Big Rivers generation units and sites since the Unwind Transaction negotiations commenced to demonstrate

that its due diligence plan and efforts are reasonable for purposes of the Unwind Transaction.

<u>Current Status</u>: See Tab 13, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008.

16. Big Rivers would commit that it will file a report with the Commission within 120 days after the closing of the Unwind Transaction stating that all Big Rivers conditions to the closing of the Unwind Transaction have been satisfied or waived, and if waived, the terms on which waiver was granted.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

17. Big Rivers would commit to file an application for a general rate adjustment within three years following the date of the final order in this matter.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

18. Big Rivers would commit that it will file an integrated resource plan, in accordance with the Commission's regulations, for the Big Rivers system no later than November 2010.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

19. Big Rivers would commit, in connection with the filing of its integrated resource plans, to advise the Commission of any material changes to RUS' criteria for the financing of both new coal-fired plants, and regarding any financing relating to existing coal-fired plants, on a timely basis. In the event of any such changes, BREC would commit to supply a plan for assessing the impact and ramifications (if any), and how BREC will address those changes.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

20. Big Rivers would commit to filing with the Commission on or before June 30 of each year, through the date on which it files a case for a general adjustment of its rates, the "Big Rivers New

Financial Model." The Big Rivers New Financial Model would supplement the Big Rivers monthly filing of its RUS Form 12, its Financial and Statistical Report (Annual Report) required by the Commission and the Big Rivers annual report (containing audited financial statements). The Big Rivers New Financial Model would contain actual financial results for the prior year, the current year's budget, and three forecasted years beyond the current year.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment, with the understanding that the filing date would be April 30 of each year, rather than June 30. See Tab 15, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008.

21. Big Rivers is searching for a resolution to the issue regarding filing of a depreciation study in connection with the filing of Big Rivers' next application for a general rate adjustment.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers has responded to this issue in detail. See Tab 6, Big Rivers Data Request Response Supplements filed May 30, 2008.

22. Big Rivers would commit to fund, initiate and maintain a risk management plan and program, which would include the ability to identify and address the impact of contingencies including, but not limited to, fuel prices, cost exposure for environmental remediation programs (both existing and contemplated), and any other material risks pertaining to Big Rivers. Big Rivers would commit to be prepared, in connection with the proceeding on its next application for a general adjustment in rates, to respond to questions regarding identified risks and steps taken under its Risk Management program to address or mitigate those risks.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

23. Big Rivers would commit to provide to the Commission, in connection with the proceeding on its next application for a general adjustment in rates, a copy of any reports, recommendations or other documents produced by the Coordinating Committee or either smelter, and that is provided to the Big Rivers board of directors through 2011.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

24. Big Rivers would commit, in connection with the proceeding on its next application for a general adjustment in rates, to advise the Commission in the event of any material changes in its collective bargaining agreements with labor unions.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

25. Big Rivers would commit to advise the Commission and the Attorney General of any material changes in the evidences of indebtedness that comprise its financing arrangements, on a timely basis.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

26. Big Rivers would commit to advise the Commission of any material changes to the smelter-related retail and wholesale contracts, on a timely basis.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

27. Big Rivers would commit to advise the Commission and the Attorney General in the event of any material changes in its agreements with HMP&L, on a timely basis.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

28. Big Rivers would commit to construct the transmission system additions and improvements for which the Commission issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity in P.S.C. Case No. 2007-00177, and would commit to advise the Commission and the Attorney General on a timely basis of any material events related to the Big Rivers transmission system that impacts Big Rivers' long-term ability to wheel excess power to its border for sale into other markets.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

29. Big Rivers would commit that its chief executive officer and relevant members of its senior staff will meet informally with the Commission and the Attorney General's Office of Rate Intervention at least annually to advise them regarding: (i) general operations and finances of the corporation; (ii) transition activities; (iii) regulatory and industry developments that may affect the corporation in the future; (iv) the status of its plans for addressing the \$200 million reduction in the Maximum Allowed Balance in the RUS 2008 Promissory Note, Series A before the end of 2015; and (v) changes in the competitiveness of the Smelters in the world aluminum market of which it becomes aware that it believes could materially affect the commitment of the smelters to continue operations.

<u>Current Status</u>: Big Rivers stands by the offer of this commitment.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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June 19, 2008 Infor	
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WESTERN KENTUCKY ENERGY CORP. AND LG&E ENERGY MARKETING, INC.	.,)
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