

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION OF THE )  
APPLICATION OF THE FUEL )  
ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF BIG ) CASE NO. 2011-00487  
RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION )  
FROM MAY 1, 2011 THROUGH )  
OCTOBER 31, 2011 )

O R D E R

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:056, the Commission, on January 26, 2012, established this case to review and evaluate the operation of the Fuel Adjustment Clause ("FAC") of Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") for the six-month period that ended on October 31, 2011. As part of this review, Big Rivers submitted certain information, pursuant to Commission Order, concerning its compliance with 807 KAR 5:056. The Commission held a public hearing on this matter on March 9, 2012. On March 15, 2012, Big Rivers filed its response to requests made at the hearing.

The Commission has previously established Big Rivers' base fuel cost as 20.932 mills per kWh.<sup>1</sup> A review of Big Rivers' monthly fuel clause filings shows that the actual fuel cost incurred for the period under review ranged from a low of 19.891 mills in May 2011 to a high of 22.507 mills in August 2011, with an average for the review period of 21.336 mills.

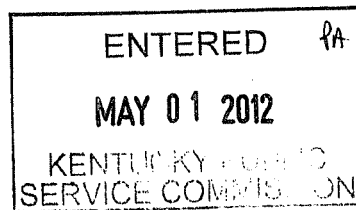
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<sup>1</sup> Case No. 2010-00495, An Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation. from July 17, 2009 through October 31, 2010 (Ky. PSC May 31, 2011).

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds no evidence of improper calculation or application of Big Rivers' FAC charges or improper fuel procurement practices.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the charges and credits billed by Big Rivers through its FAC for the period May 1, 2011 through October 31, 2011 are approved.

By the Commission



ATTEST:

  
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