COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF OWEN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE))
CORPORATION FOR REVISIONS TO ITS METER ()
READING TARIFF TO ACCOMMODATE MANUAL METER)) CASE NO.
READING CHARGES IN INSTANCES WHERE ITS)) 2012-0046
ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE IS)
PROHIBITED FROM BEING UTILIZED FOR ITS)
INTENDED PURPOSE)

COMMISSION STAFF'S INITIAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO OWEN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Owen") pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original and six copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due within 10 days of the date of this request. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed. Each response 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.

Owen shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which Owen fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, it shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond. Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible.

- 1. Refer to Exhibit B of the application, the Prepared Testimony of James R. Adkins. Mr. Adkins states on page 1 of his testimony that "several members" of Owen do not wish to be metered using advanced metering infrastructure ("AMI").
- a. State the number of customers who do not wish to be metered using AMI.
- b. State whether all remaining customers are currently metered using AMI. If they are not, explain.
- c. State whether meters are currently being read remotely for all customers who are equipped with AMI. If they are not, explain.
- d. State what efforts have been made by Owen to encourage those members who do not wish to be metered using AMI to acquiesce. If none, explain.
- 2. Owen filed its intent to file a general rate case, Case No. 2012-00448, on October 1, 2012. Explain why Owen has filed for this change to its meter reading tariff as a separate proceeding, given that, if approved, it would impact revenues.
- 3. Provide the amount of meter reading expense included in Owen's current base rates and provide the test year from which it was determined.

Provide the start date of the deployment of Owen's AMI and the date it 4. was completed.

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