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From: PSC - Public Information Officer
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2014 2:43 PM
To: 'Kara Bickett'
Subject: your comments in case number 2013-00413 - Big Rivers Electric Corp. - Century contract

Dear Ms. Bickett:

Thank you for your comments regarding the rate increase proposed by Big Rivers Electric Corp. Your comments will be placed into the case file for the Commission's review as it considers this matter. For your reference, the case number in this matter is 2013-00413. Please cite it in any future correspondence regarding this case so that your comments may be readily directed to the case file.

Thank you again for your interest.

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From: Kara Bickett [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2014 1:57 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer
Subject: Case Related Question CENTURY SEBREE SMELTER
Importance: High

Hello,

My name is Kara Bickett.

I am writing to the KY PSC in regards to the approval of the contract between Century Sebree and Big Rivers.

Century Aluminum employs 500+ employees at their Sebree smelter which impacts several surrounding counties, including the county in which I reside, Union. Aside from the number of jobs it provides, Century Sebree also puts a lot of money into Henderson County as well as the surrounding counties. They sponsor many local events and offer donations to many local organizations.

If Century Sebree is forced to close its doors it will be a huge negative impact on not only our local communities, but the state as a whole.

If this proposed contract is approved, the rate increases will not be as substantial than if Century were to go out of business altogether. Big Rivers will receive transmission revenue from the proposed contract decreasing the amount of the inevitable rate increase for everyone else on the grid as well as protecting the financial integrity of Big Rivers and allowing Century Sebree to remain in operation.

I do acknowledge and understand the opposition the proposed contract is receiving but I do not feel as if the public is seeing the whole picture as far of the negative impact it will have on our economy if the Century Sebree smelter closes. Rates are going to increase; it's just a matter of how much they are going to increase. Keeping Century open is the best decision for all involved.

Thank you so much,

Kara Bickett

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