COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

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,) 2014 AND DECEMBER 31, 2014, FOR THE TWO-) YEAR BILLING PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2015,) AND THE PASS THROUGH MECHANISM FOR) ITS SIXTEEN MEMBER DISTRIBUTION) COOPERATIVES)

CASE NO. 2015-00281

ORDER

On January 28, 2016, East Kentucky Power Cooperative ("EKPC") submitted a motion to file supplemental testimony, schedule an informal conference, and suspend the final step in the existing procedural schedule. In support of its motion, EKPC states that its 16 member cooperatives have come to an agreement on an alternative method for calculating their respective environmental surcharge over- or under-recoveries. While the methodology does not directly impact EKPC, EKPC states that it supports the proposal and is filing the supplemental testimony of Isaac Scott in support. EKPC requests an informal conference for the purpose of discussing the revised methodology with Commission Staff. Finally, EKPC moves to suspend the January 29, 2016 procedural date by which it was required to either submit the case on the record or request a hearing so as to allow ample time for the parties to examine the proposed methodology.

Having reviewed EKPC's motion and being sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that EKPC has demonstrated good cause to file supplemental testimony, schedule an informal conference, and suspend the current procedural schedule. The Commission finds that EKPC has tendered a proposed revised methodology for its member cooperatives' environmental surcharge mechanism calculations as was permitted by the Commission's August 31, 2015 Order in this matter. The filing of testimony, scheduling of an informal conference, and suspension of the procedural schedule will permit the parties to fully consider EKPC's proposal. Accordingly, the Commission finds that EKPC's motion should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. EKPC's motion to file supplemental testimony is granted, and the supplemental testimony is accepted for filing as of the date of this Order.

2. EKPC's motion to schedule an informal conference is granted.

3. EKPC's motion to suspend the procedural schedule is granted.

4. The date by which EKPC is to either request a hearing or submit the case for decision based on the record is suspended until further Order of the Commission.

5. An informal conference shall be held on Wednesday, March 2, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time at the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, KY 40602.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Acting Executive Director

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