

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF FARMERS RURAL)	CASE NO.
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION)	2016-00365
FOR AN INCREASE IN RETAIL RATES)	

ORDER

On November 15, 2016, Farmers Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (“Farmers”) tendered for filing an application for an adjustment of rates based on a historical test period. The application proposed that the rates become effective December 15, 2016. Having reviewed the application, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that such an investigation cannot be completed by December 15, 2016. Therefore, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission will suspend the effective date of the proposed rates for five months, up to and including May 14, 2017.

The Commission expects the parties to use their best efforts to informally resolve any discovery disputes or requests for extensions of time. Absent informal resolution, an objection or motion should be filed at least four business days prior to the established due date. If this deadline is not met, the filing party should include in the written objection or motion a full and complete explanation for such failure.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Farmers' proposed rates are suspended for five months from December 15, 2016, up to and including May 14, 2017.

2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, shall be followed.

3. a. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to questions related to the information provided, with copies to all parties of record and ten copies to the Commission.

b. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or an association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or 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.

c. Any party 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.

d. For any request to which a party fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

e. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this

proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

f. A party filing a paper containing personal information shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

4. Any party filing a paper with the Commission shall file an original and ten copies. The original and copies shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed.

5. Any motion to intervene filed after December 20, 2016, shall show a basis for intervention and good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

6. Farmers shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b). In addition, the notice of hearing shall include the following statement: "This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov." At the time publication is requested, Farmers shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

7. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.

8. Pursuant to KRS 278.360 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(9), a digital video transcript shall be made of the hearing.

9. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

10. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

By the Commission

ENTERED
DEC 13 2016
KENTUCKY PUBLIC
SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:


Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2016-00365 DATED **DEC 13 2016**

All requests for intervention shall be filed no later than..... 12/20/16

All requests for information to Farmers
shall be filed no later than 01/05/17

Farmers shall be file responses
to requests for information no later than 01/18/17

All supplemental requests for information to
Farmers shall be filed no later than..... 01/31/17

Farmers shall be file responses
to supplemental requests for information no later than 02/13/17

Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared
form, shall be filed no later than..... 02/24/17

All requests for information to Intervenors shall
be filed no later than 03/10/17

Intervenors shall file responses to requests for
information no later than 03/24/17

Farmers shall file, in verified prepared form,
its rebuttal testimony, if any, no later than..... 04/07/17

Last day for Farmers to publish notice of hearing To be scheduled

Public Hearing to be held in Hearing Room 1
of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard,
Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination
of witnesses of Farmers and Intervenors To be Scheduled

Simultaneous Briefs, if any To be scheduled

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