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Re: *In the Matter of: Application of Big Rivers Electric
Corporation for a Declaratory Order, Case No. 2016-00278*

Dear Mr. Lyons:

Enclosed are an original and ten copies of the status report of Big Rivers Electric Corporation in this matter. I certify that a copy of this letter and attachment have been served today electronically and by mailing on each of the persons on the attached service list.

Sincerely yours,

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RE: *Application of Big Rivers Electric Corporation for a Declaratory Order,*
P.S.C. Case No. 2016-00278

Dear Mr. Lyons:

By order in this matter dated May 1, 2017, the Public Service Commission (“*Commission*”) granted the joint motion of the parties for an order holding this matter in abeyance until July 20, 2017. As noted by the Commission in its order, the purpose for holding this case in abeyance was “to allow [the parties] sufficient time in which to engage in discussions to resolve a number of issues among them, including the dispute that is the subject of the instant matter.” The Commission further ordered that the parties “shall individually, or jointly, file a status report with the Commission no later than July 20, 2017.”

Big Rivers Electric Corporation (“*Big Rivers*”) writes to report to the Commission that the efforts of the parties to resolve a number of issues among them, including the dispute that is the subject of this proceeding, have unfortunately been unsuccessful to this point. But because Big Rivers believes that there is still a possibility for success, Big Rivers asks that the Commission continue to hold this matter in abeyance for another 30 days, until August 20, 2017. Big Rivers commits that it will file another status report on or before August 20, 2017.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert W. Berry". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Robert W. Berry
President and CEO