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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,

James M. Miller  
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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. By order dated August 1, 2017 the Commission granted the parties’ request that the abeyance be extended for an additional 30 days, until August 20, 2017, with a status report due on or before August 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 still not produced an agreement. But because the parties are working together and making measurable progress, Big Rivers believes that there is still a reasonable possibility for success. Accordingly, Big Rivers asks that the Commission continue to hold this matter in abeyance for another 30 days, until September 20, 2017. Big Rivers commits that it will file another status report on or before September 20, 2017.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert W. Berry".

Robert W. Berry  
President and CEO