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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Ms. Talina R. Mathews Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, KY 40601

RE: Case No. 2016-00335

Dear Ms. Mathews:

Please find enclosed an original and eight (8) copies of our responses of Inter-County Energy Cooperative as requested in the above referenced case.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

James L. Jacobus President/CEO

Enclosures

Copy to Service List (Via Email)



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CASE NO. 2016-00335

An examination by the Public Service Commission of the Environmental Surcharge Mechanism of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. for the six-month billing period ending June 30, 2016, and the pass through mechanism for its sixteen member distribution cooperatives.

Response to Commission Staff's Second Request for Information

December 12, 2016

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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 PERIOD ENDING) CA JUNE 30, 2016, AND THE PASS THROUGH) MECHANISM FOR ITS SIXTEEN MEMBER) DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVES)

CASE NO. 2016-00335

INTER-COUNTY ENERGY COOPERATIVE RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. AND EACH OF ITS SIXTEEN MEMBER COOPERATIVES

CERTIFICATION

James L. Jacobus, President/CEO, being duly sworn, states that he has prepared the responses to the question from the Commission Staff to Inter-County Energy Cooperative in Case No. 2016-00335 dated November 30, 2016, and that the response is true and accurate to the best of his knowledge, information and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

James I. Jacobus President/CEO Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation

STATE OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF BOYLE

Subscribed and sworn to before me by James L. Jacobus as President/CEO of Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation this 12th day of December 2016.

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Notary Public – ID 494777 My Commission Expires: August 24, 2017

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INTER-COUNTY ENERGY COOPERATIVE

Request 3. This item is addressed to each of the 16 Member Cooperatives.

a. Provide the accounting methodology (i.e., cash or accrual) utilized by your particular Member Cooperative.

Response: Inter-County Energy Cooperative utilizes the accrual accounting methodology.

b. Explain whether the accounting methodology utilized by your particular Member Cooperative could exacerbate the possible impact to cash flow and margins caused by volatility in the environmental surcharge.

Response: Inter-County Energy Cooperative does not believe that utilizing the accrual accounting methodology exacerbates the possible impact to cash flow and margins caused by volatility in the environmental surcharge.

- **Request 4:** This item is addressed to each of the 16 Member Cooperatives. For your particular Member Cooperative, provide the following information as it relates to the environmental surcharge calculated for EKPC's December 2015 expense month, as billed to the Member Cooperatives in February 2016 for January 2016 usage:
 - **a.** The month in which the Member Cooperative records the amount billed in February 2016 as an expense.

Response: Inter-County Energy records the bill received in February as a January 2016 expense.

b. The month in which the retail customer's usage will be subject to the Member Cooperative's pass-through factor calculated from EKPC's December 2015 expense month.

Response: Inter-County Energy applied the Environmental Surcharge pass-through factor from EKPC's December 2015 expense month to member's usage from read dates in January through early February 2016 depending on the members' particular billing cycle.

c. The month in which the Member Cooperative bills its retail customers the pass-through factor calculated from EKPC's December 2015 expense month.

Response: Inter-County Energy applied the EKPC December 2015 expense month factor to bills rendered to members in February to early March 2016 depending on the members' particular billing cycle.

d. The month in which the Member Cooperative records as revenue the amounts billed in the month indicated in part c. above.

Response: Inter-County Energy records as revenue the amounts billed in the month indicated in part c. above as February 2016 revenue.

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