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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

December 13th ,2016

Ms. Talina R. Matthews
Executive Director
Kentucky Public Service Commission
211 Sower Blvd
P O Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

RE: Case No. 2016-00335

Dear Ms. Matthews:

Enclosed are an original and eight (8) copies of Shelby Energy Cooperative Inc.'s response to the commission staff's second request for information to East Kentucky Power Cooperative and each of its sixteen member cooperatives dated November 30, 2016. The information has been provided by email to all parties of record.

Should you have any questions or need further information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Mary Federle Billing Manager

Enclosures

COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION CASE NO. 2016-00335

VERIFICATION

The undersigned, Mary E. Federle, Billing Manager of Shelby Energy Cooperative, Inc. certifies that the responses contained in this document are true and accurate to the best of her knowledge, information and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Mary È. Federle

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF SHELBY

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Mary E. Federle, Billing Manager of Shelby Energy Cooperative, Inc., to be her free act and deed this <u>13th</u> day of <u>December</u>, 2016.

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My Commission Expires:

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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	j j	
POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR THE SIX-	j j	CASE NO.
MONTH BILLING PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2016,)	2016-00335
AND THE PASS THROUGH MECHANISM)	
FOR ITS SIXTEEN MEMBER DISTRIBUTION	Ú	
COOPERATIVES)	

RESPONSE OF <u>SHELBY ENERGY COOPERATIVE</u>, <u>INC.</u> TO COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC.'S AND EACH OF ITS SIXTEEN MEMBER COOPERATIVES

DATED: November 30, 2016

Shelby Energy Cooperative's Response to the Commission Staff's Second Request for Information Case No. 2016-00335

Question:

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,

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

3. a. Shelby Energy Cooperative uses accrual accounting.

b. Shelby Energy Cooperative does not believe that the use of accrual

accounting could cause an impact to cash flow and margins caused by volatility in the

environmental surcharge. The timing of cash paid by Shelby Energy Cooperative to

EKPC and the cash paid to Shelby Energy Cooperative from its Members remain the

same.

Witness: Mary E. Federle

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Question:

- 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:
- 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;
- c. The month in which the Member Cooperative bills its retail customers the pass-through factor calculated from EKPC's December 2015 expense month;
- d. The month in which the Member Cooperative records as revenue the amounts billed in the month indicated in part c. above.

Response

4 a. Shelby Energy records the amount billed in February 2016 as an expense for February 2016.

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b. The Member Cooperative's pass-through factor calculated from the

EKPC's December 2015 expense month is applied to usage billed for February, 2016 that

occur from February 16, 2016 through March 15, 2016. Generally, the usage period is

approximately 30 days and includes usage up to a few days before the accounts are

billed.

c. The Member Cooperative's pass-through factor calculated from

EKPC's December 2015 expense is billed to the retail customer accounts billed February,

2016 beginning February 16, 2016 through March 15, 2016.

d. The month in which the Member Cooperative records the revenue

for the amounts billed from February 16, 2016 through March 15, 2016 is the February.

2016 revenue month.

Witness: Mary E. Federle