

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF GRAYSON RURAL ELECTRIC)	
COOPERATIVE CORPORATION FOR AN)	CASE NO.
ADJUSTMENT OF RATES)	2018-00272

ORDER

On September 20, 2018, Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (Grayson RECC) submitted an application for an adjustment of its existing rates based on a historic test year. The application proposed that the new rates become effective on October 25, 2018.

By letter dated September 28, 2018, the Commission notified Grayson RECC that its application was deficient due to Grayson RECC's failure to provide a statement regarding public notice consistent with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(1)(b)5, and failure to post a copy of its public notice on its website, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 17. In response, Grayson RECC submitted an amended application on October 3, 2018. By letter dated October 5, 2018, the Commission notified Grayson RECC that it had cured the filing deficiencies and its application was accepted for filing on October 3, 2018.

Pursuant to KRS 278.180(1), no change in utility rates is permitted except upon 30 days' notice to the Commission. Therefore, since the application was accepted for filing as of October 3, 2018, the earliest date that Grayson RECC's proposed rates can be effective is November 2, 2018. Having reviewed Grayson RECC's application, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to

determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that an investigation cannot be completed by November 2, 2018. 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, April 1, 2019.

The Commission further finds that a procedural schedule should be established to review the reasonableness of the proposed rates. The procedural schedule is attached hereto as an Appendix to this Order and is incorporated herein.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Grayson RECC's proposed rates are suspended for five months, up to and including, April 1, 2019.
2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed.
3. a. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed, with copies to all parties, and the original and six copies to the Commission. Responses that are required to be provided on electronic medium shall in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable and shall be appropriately bookmarked. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

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. A 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. Any 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 the personal information cannot be read.

4. As set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11)(a), a person requesting permissive intervention in a Commission proceeding is required to demonstrate either (1) a special interest in the proceeding which is not adequately represented in the case, or (2) that the person requesting permissive intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. Therefore, any person requesting to intervene in a Commission proceeding must state with specificity the person's special interest that is not otherwise adequately represented, or the issues and facts that the

person will present that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter. A mere recitation of the quantity of utility service consumed by the movant or a general statement regarding a potential impact of possible modification of rates will not be deemed sufficient to establish a special interest. In addition, any motion to intervene filed after November 2, 2018, shall also show good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

6. Grayson RECC shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2). 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, Grayson RECC 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 recording shall be made of the hearing.


9. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance. Accordingly, 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
OCT 19 2018
KENTUCKY PUBLIC
SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:



Executive Director

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APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2018-00272 DATED **OCT 19 2018**

Last day for intervention requests to be accepted.....11/02/18

All initial requests for information to Grayson RECC shall
be filed no later than 11/14/18

Grayson RECC shall file responses to initial requests for
information no later than.....11/30/18

All supplemental requests for information to Grayson RECC
shall be filed no later than..... 12/14/18

Grayson RECC shall file responses to supplemental requests
for information no later than..... 01/04/19

Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared
form shall be filed no later than..... 01/11/19

All requests for information to Intervenors shall
be filed no later than 01/21/19

Intervenors shall file responses to requests for
information no later than 01/30/19

Grayson RECC shall file, in verified form, its rebuttal
testimony no later than 02/06/19

Last day for Grayson RECC 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 Grayson RECC and Intervenors To be scheduled

Post-Hearing Briefs, if any To be scheduled

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