

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC	)	
CORPORATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF	)	
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO	)	CASE NO.
CONSTRUCT AND ACQUIRE A 345 KV	)	2019-00417
TRANSMISSION LINE IN MEADE COUNTY,	)	
KENTUCKY	)	

ORDER

On January 17, 2020, Big Rivers Electric Corporation (BREC) filed an application requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a 345-kilovolt transmission line in Meade County, Kentucky. KRS 278.020(9) requires the Commission to issue a decision no later than 90 days after the application is filed unless the Commission extends this period, for good cause, to 120 days. Due to the nature of the case and issues involved, the Commission finds that good cause exists in this matter to warrant such an extension. The Commission further finds that a procedural schedule should be established for the orderly processing of this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The period during which the Commission must enter a decision as set forth in KRS 278.020(9) is extended from 90 days to 120 days from the date of the filing of the application, which was on January 17, 2020.
2. All parties shall adhere to the procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order.

3. a. Responses to requests for information in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed. Responses that are required to be provided on electronic medium shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

b. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. 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. Any 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 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. Further, KRS 278.040(2) requires that a person seeking intervention must have an interest in the rates or service of a utility, as those are the only matters that are subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. 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 the date established in the procedural schedule, 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.

5. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance. Accordingly, motions for extensions of time with respect to the procedural schedule shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

By the Commission

ENTERED  
JAN 28 2020  
KENTUCKY PUBLIC  
SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:



Executive Director

Case No. 2019-00417

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2019-00417 DATED **JAN 28 2020**

- Requests for intervention shall be filed no later than .....02/17/20
- Any requests for a public hearing pursuant to KRS 278.020(9)  
and 807 KAR 5:120, Section 3, shall be filed no later than.....02/17/20
- All initial requests for information upon BREC shall  
be filed no later than .....02/24/20
- BREC shall file responses to initial requests  
for information no later than.....03/09/20
- All supplemental requests for information upon  
BREC shall be filed no later than .....03/19/20
- BREC shall file responses to supplemental requests  
for information no later than.....03/30/20

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