COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC TARIFF FILING OF INTER-COUNTY ENERGY COOPERATIVE CORPORATION TO IMPLEMENT A NEW VOLUNTARY INCLINING BLOCK RATE SCHEDULE	)))))	CASE NO. 2026-00182

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO INTER-COUNTY ENERGY COOPERATIVE CORPORATION

Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation (Inter-County Energy), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on August 28, 2026. The Commission directs Inter-County Energy to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085[1] regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and 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 association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the

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[1] Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Inter-County Energy shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Inter-County Energy obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect or incomplete when made or, though correct or complete when made, is now incorrect or incomplete in any material respect.

For any request to which Inter-County Energy fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Inter-County Energy shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied and scanned 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. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, Inter-County Energy shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to the proposed Rates for Farm and Home Service – Schedule 1 – Inclining Block tariff (proposed tariff).

a. Explain how the one-year commitment to the rate schedule will be administered, including:

(1) When the one-year term begins;

(2) Whether the commitment automatically renews;

(3) When and how a member may return to Schedule 1;

(4) How a change in ownership, occupancy, or use of the structure will affect the commitment; and

(5) How the one-year commitment is expected to prevent rate switching or adverse selection.

2. Refer to the proposed tariff. Explain how Inter-County Energy determined the energy per kWh charge blocks of 0–300 kWh, 301–500 kWh, and over 500 kWh and what influenced that decision.

3. Refer to the proposed tariff. Describe the historical billing data used to develop and test the proposed rate design, including the period covered, the criteria used to include or exclude accounts or service locations, the number of unique service locations included, the number of bills included for each month, and whether the data include all existing service locations that satisfy the proposed tariff's availability and type of service requirements. Explain and reconcile any missing or duplicate monthly records.

4. Refer to the proposed tariff. Explain the customer incentive basis behind each proposed usage block.

5. Refer to the proposed tariff. Explain how variable and fixed costs associated with serving the targeted customer demographic were considered and allocated when designing the proposed tariff.

6. Refer to the Excel spreadsheet titled "20260701_Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation Voluntary Inclining Block Rate Schedule Tariff Filing.xlsx" filed alongside the proposed tariff.

a. Refer to the “Summary” tab. Explain how the rate scalar and proxy rates were calculated.

b. Refer to the “Summary” tab. The Excel file includes rates for a streamlined rate filing. Explain the reasoning for including those rates and calculations in support of the proposed tariff.

c. Refer to the “Summary” tab. Confirm that the values on lines 16–28 and lines 46–58 in columns D through G should be kWh instead of dollars. If not confirmed, explain the response.

7. Refer to the proposed tariff. Explain whether Inter-County Energy performed a class cost-of-service study in the development of the proposed tariff rate. If so, provide the class cost-of-service study in Excel spreadsheet format with all formulas, rows, and columns unprotected and fully accessible.

8. Explain how Inter-County Energy intends to advertise the proposed tariff to qualifying customers.

9. Refer to the tariff filing cover letter, customer notice, and Availability section of the proposed tariff.

a. Explain whether eligibility is limited to members currently receiving service under Schedule 1 for separately metered structures that are agricultural in nature.

b. State whether “low usage” is an eligibility requirement. If so, define “low usage” and explain how compliance will be determined.

c. Define “agricultural in nature” and describe the information or documentation Inter-County Energy will use to determine whether a structure qualifies.

d. Explain how Inter-County Energy will confirm that an applicant satisfies the tariff's type-of-service requirements, including the limitation to service requiring not more than a 25 kVA transformer.

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