

July 06, 2015

Mr. Jeff Derouen
Kentucky Public Service Commission
211 Sower Boulevard
P.O. Box 615
Frankfort, Kentucky 40602

Re: Big Sandy RECC Section DSM– Community Assistance Resources for Energy Savings Program (New)

Dear Mr. Derouen:

Please find enclosed for filing with the Commission, via the electronic tariff filing system, the above-referenced tariff.

Big Sandy RECC is seeking to expand its Demand-Side Management (“DSM”) program offerings by introducing the Community Assistance Resources for Energy Savings Program (“CARES”), a common DSM program for utilities across Kentucky and the United States, which encourages weatherization and higher-efficiency HVAC equipment for low-income, end-use cooperative members (“end-use member”) through the Kentucky Community Action Agency (“CAA”) network of not-for-profit community action agencies. The East Kentucky Power Cooperative (“EKPC”) DSM Steering Committee (“Steering Committee”), a committee of EKPC and owner-member cooperative (“owner-member”) staff, determined that assisting Kentucky’s CAA’s in their weatherization efforts is a worthwhile and economic DSM program. Subsequently, the Steering Committee obtained permission from EKPC executive staff and the owner-member CEOs to implement the CARES program, pending Commission approval.

As part of its May 4th, 2015 filing of its CARES program, EKPC provided the California Test results showing that providing low-income, end-use members with an incentive to help lower their monthly energy bills is a worthwhile DSM program. This filing by Big Sandy RECC is a direct implementation of that EKPC filing approved by the Commission on June 3, 2015. Also attached for your reference are detailed program guidelines as filed with the Commission as part of EKPC’s May 4th, 2015 filing.

Pursuant to KRS 278.180 Big Sandy RECC must give at least 30-days’ notice to the Commission. Therefore, the proposed effective date of this program will be August 6, 2015. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:011, Big Sandy RECC has posted the requisite notice at its office located at 504 11th Street Paintsville, KY 41240 and will post the requisite notice on its website, no later than five (5) business days from today’s date, which will include a hyperlink to the Commission’s website where the tariff can be found. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:011 Section 8, Big Sandy RECC provided notice of this proposed tariff to its end-use members by publishing the same in Kentucky Living Magazine on August 1, 2015.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Estep". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "E".

David Estep
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Enclosures