

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF INTER-COUNTY ENERGY)	CASE NO.
COOPERATIVE CORPORATION FOR A)	2018-00129
GENERAL ADJUSTMENT OF EXISTING RATES)	

ORDER

On May 29, 2018, Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation ("Inter-County") submitted an application for an adjustment of electric rates based on a historical test period, which was accepted for filing. The application proposed that the new rates become effective on June 24, 2018, and Inter-County indicated the same proposed date in its public notice as filed with the application. However, most of the pages of the proposed tariff indicate a proposed effective date of June 28, 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 is accepted for filing as of May 29, 2018, the earliest that Inter-County's proposed rates can be effective is June 28, 2018.

Based on a review of Inter-County's rate application, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that such an investigation cannot be completed by June 28, 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 November 27, 2018.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Inter-County's proposed rates are suspended for five months from June 28, 2018, up to and including November 27, 2018.

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 and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to questions related to the information provided, with copies to all parties and an original and ten copies to the Commission.

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. 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. A 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. Any party filing a paper with the Commission shall file an original and ten copies. The original and copies shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed.

5. 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 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 June 26, 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. Inter-County shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b). 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, Inter-County 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 transcript 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
JUN 13 2018
KENTUCKY PUBLIC
SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:



For Executive Director

Case No. 2018-00129

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2018-00129 DATED **JUN 13 2018**

All requests for intervention shall be filed no later than 06/26/18

All initial requests for information to Inter-County
shall be filed no later than 07/03/18

Inter-County shall file responses to
Initial requests for information no later than 07/17/18

All supplemental requests for information to
Inter-County shall be filed no later than..... 07/31/18

Inter-County shall file responses to supplemental
requests for information no later than..... 08/14/18

Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared form,
shall be filed no later than 08/28/18

All requests for information to Intervenors
shall be filed no later than 09/11/18

Intervenors shall file responses to
requests for information no later than..... 09/25/18

Inter-County shall file, in verified prepared form,
its rebuttal testimony, if any, no later than 10/09/17

Last day for Inter-County 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 Inter-County and Intervenors To be Scheduled

Simultaneous Briefs, if any..... To be scheduled

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