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Ms. Elizabeth O'Donnell Executive Director Commonwealth of Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard PO Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

RE: Supplemental Response of EKPC to Commission Staff's 2nd Data Requests dated February 16, 2005 PSC CASE #2004-00320

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Enclosed please find an original and five (5) copies of the attached Supplemental Response of EKPC to Commission Staff's Second Data Request submitted by the Commission February 16, 2005. Please note that this is a Supplemental Response to the Commission's Request No. 8 regarding the final environmental report.

I hope this meets with the approval of the Commission. If not, please contact us with the additional information that is needed. I have also emailed this information to John Rogness, A.W. Turner and the Commission's Consultant.

Very truly yours,

Sherman Goodpaste III Senior Corporate Counsel

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF EAST KENTUCKY)
POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE)
OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR) CASE NO.
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 161 kV ELECTRIC) 2004-00320
DISTRIBUTION SUBSTATION AND TAP IN)
SPENCER COUNTY, KENTUCKY)

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE OF EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC.
TO COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED FEBRUARY 16, 2005

EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. PSC ADMINISTRATIVE CASE NO. 2004-00320 COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION REQUEST DATED 02/16/05

REQUEST 8

RESPONSIBLE PERSON: Joe Settles

COMPANY: East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

Request 8. Provide a copy of the final environmental report.

Response 8 (Supplemental). The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Engineering and Environmental Staff has completed its review of the environmental report for the proposed Little Mount Project. The attached letter from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development shows the Environmental Report previously submitted as Response No. 8 of the Commission Staff's Second Data Request has been approved and meets the criteria of the Rural Utilities Service.



United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development

Joe Settles C: Geneva Flannery FEB 2 2 2005

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Mr. Roy M. Palk President and Chief Executive Officer East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. P.O. Box 707 Winchester, Kentucky 40392-0707

Dear Mr. Palk:

The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Engineering and Environmental Staff has completed its review of the environmental report for the proposed Little Mount 161-12.5 kV Substation and 161 kV Transmission Line Tap Project in Spencer County, Kentucky. The project, as proposed, meets the criteria for a categorical exclusion in accordance with 7 CFR Section 1794- RUS Environmental Policies and Procedures. An environmental assessment or environmental impact statement will not be prepared for RUS' action related to this project.

We will need no further information regarding potential environmental impacts associated with the project provided it is constructed at the location identified in the environmental report and no latent environmental impacts are discovered during construction.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation in helping us fulfill RUS' environmental review requirements.

Sincerely,

Chief, Power Delivery Engineering Branch

Power Supply Division



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