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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Thomas M. Dorman, Esq. Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky 40602

Re:

Case No. 2004-00321

Dear Mr. Dorman:

Please find enclosed the original and twelve (12) copies of the Petition to Intervene of Gallatin Steel Company filed in the above-referenced matter.

By copy of this letter, all parties listed on the attached Certificate of Service have been served. Please place these documents of file.

Very Truly Yours,

Michael L. Kurtz, Esq.

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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 Approval Of An Environmental Compliance Plan And Authority : To Implement An Environmental Surcharge :

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF GALLATIN STEEL COMPANY

Pursuant to K.R.S. §278.310 and 807 KAR 5:001 Section 3(8), Gallatin Steel Company ("Gallatin") requests that it be granted full intervenor status in the above-captioned proceeding and states in support thereof as follows:

- 1. Gallatin is the largest end use customer located in the Owen Electric Cooperative ("Owen") service territory. Owen is in turn provided with generation and transmission service by East Kentucky Power Cooperative ("EKPC").
- 2. The matters being decided by the Commission in this case may have a significant impact on the rates paid by Gallatin for electricity. Electricity represents a significant cost of doing business for Gallatin. The attorneys for Gallatin authorized to represent them in this proceeding and to take service of all documents are:

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3. The position of Gallatin cannot be adequately represented by any existing party. Gallatin intends to play a constructive role in the Commission's decision making process herein and Gallatin's participation will not unduly prejudice any party.

WHEREFORE, Gallatin Steel Company requests that it be granted full intervenor status in the above captioned proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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