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**Via Federal Express**

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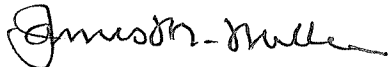
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Re: In the Matter of: Application of Big Rivers Electric Corporation,  
LG&E Energy Marketing Inc., Western Kentucky Energy Corp., WKE  
Station Two Inc., and WKE Corp. for Approval of Amendments to  
Transaction Documents, PSC Case No. 2005-00029

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Enclosed are an original and five copies of the response of Big Rivers Electric Corporation to Commission Staff's first data request in the above-referenced matter dated February 15, 2005. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely yours,



James M. Miller

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Enclosures

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**RESPONSE OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION TO COMMISSION STAFF’S FIRST DATA REQUEST**

Big Rivers Electric Corporation (“Big Rivers”) makes the following responses, through counsel, to Commission Staff’s First Data Request to Big Rivers dated February 15, 2005:

Q1. Refer to Exhibit A of the application. The “Letter Agreement” is dated July 18, 2003. Explain why Big Rivers did not file its application for approval of the Letter Agreement until January 14, 2005.

Response: As the Commission knows from the application in this matter, the contract amendments for which approval is sought have very little substantive significance. The amendments fall in the category of “contractual housekeeping.” For this reason, preparation and submission of the application were low priority items. Counsel for Big Rivers admittedly took too long to finalize the first draft of the application. In making the rounds to several persons in various offices in different cities for revisions and approvals, the application invariably lay for a long period on each desk it reached before it received attention, and was passed along. There is no other explanation for the delay.

Witness: David Spainhoward

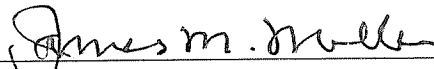
Q2. Have all the necessary approvals of the Letter Agreement been received from the parties to the various Transaction Documents?

Response: Because the amendments are minor in nature, no other approvals are required beyond the approvals from the parties to the Letter Agreement.

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Q3. If no, provide the status of the necessary approvals as of the date of this request and indicate when Big Rivers expects to receive all necessary approvals.

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