

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In The Matter Of:

The application of Big Sandy Rural Electric)
Cooperative Corporation request for deviation)
From regulation 807 KAR 5:006, Section 6, Part 5)

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Case 2005-00048

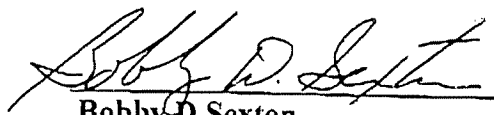
Application

Big Sandy RECC is requesting a deviation from 807 KAR 5:006, Section 6, Part (5), which requires consumer read electric systems to read each meter once per calendar year. Big Sandy RECC is asking that this regulation be suspended for 3 years, during which time, all meters on our system will be changed out and replaced with A.M.R. meters and modules.

During this transition period, Big Sandy RECC will perform an initial visit to each metering point to replace the meter. Furthermore, Big Sandy RECC plans on revisiting these new meters within 1 year to test for accuracy. However, throughout this entire three-year period, Big Sandy RECC will utilize all available means to collect and record accurate readings. We will use a computer program that treats KWH usage on every account, compares current KWH usage to usage from the same month - prior year, and flags those accounts that reflect a 50% increase or decrease in usage. Big Sandy RECC will investigate these accounts and obtain an accurate reading and correct any problems that exist.

This 4th day of January 2005.

Big Sandy Rural Electric
Cooperative Corporation


Bobby D Sexton
President/General Manager