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> Re: In the Matter of the 2005 Integrated Resource Plan of Big Rivers Electric Corporation, Case No. 2005-00485

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Enclosed are an original and ten copies of Big Rivers Electric Corporation's Motion to Hold Proceeding in Abeyance. I hereby certify that a true and accurate copy of this motion has been served by first class mail, postage prepaid, on this date, upon the attached service list. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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THE 2005 INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN) OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION)

MOTION TO HOLD PROCEEDING IN ABEYANCE

Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") respectfully moves the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") to hold this proceeding in abeyance, and to vacate its scheduling order entered January 4, 2006. As grounds for this motion, Big Rivers states that it recently signed a letter of intent with E.ON U.S., LLC, formerly known as LG&E Energy LLC, and certain of its subsidiaries or affiliates to pursue terminating the various agreements in place since 1998 that gave E.ON U.S., LLC affiliates operational control of Big Rivers' power plants, and ownership of the electricity generated by them. If the transaction terminating those agreements (the "Unwind Transaction") closes as contemplated, Big Rivers will resume control of its generation facilities and ownership of all the power generated by those facilities, dramatically altering the resources available to Big Rivers and the issues relevant to Big Rivers' Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP"). Big Rivers suggests that this proceeding should be held in abevance until the viability of the Unwind Transaction and the nature of Big Rivers' power resources are settled. Holding this matter in abeyance will also allow Big Rivers to devote more of its attention to pursuing the Unwind Transaction.

Specifically, Big Rivers proposes that this proceeding be held in abeyance indefinitely, unless Big Rivers fails to initiate by April 30, 2006, proceedings for Commission approval of the Unwind Transaction and related matters. If the Unwind Transaction is approved and closes, within a reasonable time thereafter Big Rivers would expect to file an IRP based upon its new

circumstances.

WHEREFORE, Big Rivers respectfully requests that the Commission vacate the January 4, 2006, scheduling order herein, and issue its order holding this proceeding in abeyance as described above.

On this the 10th day of January, 2006.

SULLIVAN, MOUNTJOY, STAINBACK & MILLER, P.S.C.

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