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Executive Director

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky 40602

Re: PSC Case No. 2008-00419

Dear Mr. Derouen:

Please find enclosed for filing with the Commission in the above-referenced case an original and five copies of the responses of Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation to the Commission Staff's Initial Data Request, dated December 19, 2008.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

APPLICATION OF LICKING VALLEY RURAL) **ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION TO**) PASS-THROUGH AN INCREASE OF ITS) WHOLESALE POWER SUPPLIER PURSUANT) TO KRS 278.455(2)

CASE NO. 2008-00419

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF KENTUCKY)) **COUNTY OF CLARK**)

James C. Lamb, Jr., being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of the responses of Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation to the Public Service Commission Staff Initial Data Request in the above-referenced case dated December 19, 2008, and that the matters and things set forth therein are true and accurate to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry.

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Subscribed and sworn before me on this 12th day of January, 2009.

<u>Seconder 8, 2009</u>

My Commission expires:

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Ann F. Wood, being duly sworn, states that she has supervised the preparation of the responses of Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation to the Public Service Commission Staff Initial Data Request in the above-referenced case dated December 19, 2008, and that the matters and things set forth therein are true and accurate to the best of her knowledge, information and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry.

ann F. Wood

Subscribed and sworn before me on this 9th day of January, 2009.

<u>Beagues S. Driffin</u> Notary Public <u>December</u> 8, 2009

My Commission expires:

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TO KRS 278.455(2))	

RESPONSES TO COMMISSION STAFF'S INITIAL DATA REQUEST TO LICKING VALLEY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION DATED DECEMBER 19, 2008

LICKING VALLEY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION PSC CASE NO. 2008-00419 INITIAL DATA REQUEST RESPONSE

COMMISSION STAFF'S INIT	FIAL DATA REQUEST DATED 12/19/08
REQUEST 1	
RESPONSIBLE PERSON:	Ann F. Wood
COMPANY:	Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative
	Corporation

Request 1. Provide the workpapers, spreadsheets, etc. which show the calculation of the increase, by individual wholesale rate schedule, in Licking Valley's cost of power from East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. that Licking Valley is proposing to flow through to its customers. Include a brief narrative description of the data being provided.

Response 1. Please see page 2 of this response. EKPC multiplied the projected wholesale billing units for all members for the test year by the EKPC existing rates to determine revenue before the rate increase. The revenue increase was then proportioned to EKPC rate classes in order to develop proposed rates. After the proposed wholesale rates were developed, the new rates were applied to the same projected billing units proportionally among all rate classes. These rates were then applied to the projected wholesale billing units of each member system, in order to determine their proportionate share of EKPC's revenue requirements.

Please note that the wholesale increase on page 2 totals \$1,614,254, and is higher than the retail increase of \$1,613,688 as filed in the pass-through application dated October 31, 2008 (Exhibit 3, Page 1 of 4). This slight under recovery is a result of rounding.

EKPC Licking Valley										
Option 2		L	2	Current Rate	ate				Pro Rata	
Description	Billing Units]	Rate	Ca	Calculated Billings	Description	Billing Units	Rate		Calculated Billings
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Total Billings				Ś	20,390,751.58	Total Billings			\$2	\$ 22,005,005.56
						Increase/(Decrease)			ю	\$ 1,614,253.98
						Percent Change				7.92%

PSC Request 1 Page 2 of 2

LICKING VALLEY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION PSC CASE NO. 2008-00419 INITIAL DATA REQUEST RESPONSE

COMMISSION STAFF'S INITIAL DATA REQUEST DATED 12/19/08 REQUEST 2 RESPONSIBLE PERSON: James C. Lamb, Jr./Ann F. Wood COMPANY: Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation

Request 2. Refer to Exhibit 3 of the application. The billing analysis shows various rate schedules with escalation percentages applied to the billing determinants. Explain the need for the escalation percentages and provide workpapers, spreadsheets, etc. for the calculation of the percentages, as well as a narrative explanation of how the percentages were determined.

Response 2. Since EKPC is using a forecasted test period, the increase is calculated based on projected billing determinants. In order to appropriately match retail rates to the forecasted test year used for wholesale rates, an escalation factor was used. The escalated data was applied to Residential and Small Commercial classes only due to the wide variance and unpredictable nature of the Large Commercial/Industrial class.

The Attachment shows the escalation percentages calculated by the Resource Planning Department of EKPC and the supporting calculations.

EKPC prepares a load forecast by working jointly with its member systems in preparing their individual load forecasts. Factors considered in preparing the forecasts include national, regional, and local economic performance, appliance saturations and

efficiencies, population and housing trends, service area industrial development, electric price, household income, and weather. Each member system reviews the preliminary forecast for reasonability.

The general steps followed by EKPC in developing its load forecast are summarized as follows:

EKPC subscribes to Global Insight, Inc., in order to analyze regional economic performance. Global Insight provides EKPC projections for population, employment, and income as well as other variables.

EKPC prepares a preliminary forecast for each of its member systems for each classification using monthly data as reported on the Rural Utilities Services (RUS) Form 7, which contains publicly available retail sales data for member systems. These include: residential, seasonal, small commercial, public buildings, large commercial, and other. EKPC's sales to member systems are then determined by adding distribution losses to total retail sales. Seasonal peak demands are determined by applying peak factors for heating, cooling, and water heating to energy.

The supplementary spreadsheets in the Attachment contain the data resulting from the above-described process. The growth rates for energy sales, winter peak demand, and customers are based upon the monthly forecasts for the test period.

PSC Request 2 Attachment Page 1 of 1

Licking Valley Escalation

Escalation - MWH	- Energy
Time Period	MWH Sales
May 2008 to April 2009	284,730
May 2009 to April 2010	288,125
Percent change	1.2%

Escalation - MW - Demand	
Time Period	
Winter 2009-2010	80.2
Winter 2010-2011	81.5
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Percent change	1.6%

Escalation - Customers - Residential	
	Average Annual
Time Period	Customers
2009	16,370
2010	16,543
Percent change	1.1%

Escalation - Customers - Small Commercial	
	Average Annual
Time Period	Customers
2009	1,167
2010	1,185
Percent change	1.6%