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July 14, 2009

Frost Brown Todd LLC Attention: Mark David Goss 250 West Main Street, Suite 2800 Lexington, Kentucky 40507-1749

Re: East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

Petition for Confidential Treatment received 4/21/09

PSC Reference - Case No. 2009-00106

Dear Mr. Goss:

The Public Service Commission has received the Confidentiality Petition you filed on April 21, 2009 on behalf of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.870. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as information contained in East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.'s 2009 "IRP". The information is described as projected fuel costs, projected capital costs of potential generation facilities and projected operations and maintenance costs, projections of revenue requirements, interest rates, escalation rates, member system rate projections, forecasts and info concerning new large electric loads, and specific maps. Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise EKPC's competitive position in the industry and result in an unfair commercial advantage to their competitors.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information you seek to keep confidential is of a proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to EKPC's competitors. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.



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If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, EKPC is required by Section 8(9)(a) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,

Jeff Derouen

Éxecutive Director

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