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January 12, 2010

Inter-County Energy Cooperative Attention: James William Barnett 114 South Fourth Street Danville, Kentucky 40422

Re: Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation

Petition for Confidential Treatment received 12/8/09

PSC Reference - Case No. 2009-00143

Dear Mr. Barnett:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Treatment you filed on December 8, 2009 on behalf of Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation ("Inter-County") 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 Inter-County's Responses to the Commission's 3rd Data Request. The information is more specifically described as Exhibit A containing unit and total dollar amounts of bidding prices, and are subject to a confidentiality agreement between Inter-County and its vendors.

Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise Inter-County's competitive position in the industry and result in an unfair commercial advantage to its 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 confidential or proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to Inter-County'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, Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation 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.

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cc: Parties of Record