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February 5, 2010

Mr. Jeff Derouen, Executive Director Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. PO Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

RE: Case No. 2009-00496

Dear Mr. Derouen:

Enclosed you will find the data you requested in the above-styled action pursuant to your order dated February 2, 2010.

If you have any other questions regarding this matter, please notify me accordingly, I am,

Yours very truly,

Thomas C. Brite

tcb/svh

enclosure

cc: Mr. Burns E. Mercer, President/CEO Meade County RECC PO Box 489 Brandenburg, KY 40108

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# MEADE COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC COOP. CORP. RESPONSE OF MEADE COUNTY RECC TO FIRST DATA REQUEST OF COMMISSION STAFF

CASE NO. 2009-00496

#### **VERIFICATION**

The undersigned, Burns E. Mercer, being first duly sworn states that he is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation; certifies that he supervised in the preparation of the response and that the response is true and accurate to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Burns E. Mercer

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY )
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ )

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me by Burns E. Mercer on this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

Notary Public, Ky, State at Large

My Commission Expires 3-18-2012

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2	Question 1a,) State weather all 15,504 meters were purchased as described in the 2005-2008				
3	CWP and explain why there is a need for the 3, 600 additional meters listed in the current CWP.				
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5	Response 1a.) Referring to Meade County's 2005-2008 Construction Work Plan, item III-B,				
6	page 3, New Meters – $601**$ . New meters added was 15,054; however, the ** note at the bottom of				
7	the page, states "AMR Program plus 552 regular meters per year at \$90". This gives 1,656 new meters				
8	for new services and 13,408 AMR meter modules to retrofit existing meters. These items were				
9	purchased.				
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11	In order to meet any future smart meter requirements, any new meter that Meade County RECC				
12	purchases are solid state digital meters with Automated Metering Infrastructure modules installed. As				
13	stated in section IV-A, page 1, of Meade County's 2010-2012 Construction Work Plan, Meade County				
14	Anticipates 1,425 new services in which part of the 3,600 meters are to be used. The remaining				
15	amount is to be used to replace damaged meters as well as to replace part of our older				
16	electomechanical single phase and three phase meters. At this time, Meade County RECC has fully				
17	implemented all of its single phase meters with AMI modules. Meade County RECC has not fully				
18	implemented its 3 phase accounts.				
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20	Witness) Mike French				
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2	Question 1b.)	Explain the nearly threefold increase in the cost per meter for the 3,600 new
3	meters versus the 15,0	54 meters shown in the 2005-2008 CWP.
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5	Response 1b.)	In Meade County's 2005-2008 CWP the cost of \$1,710,639 included 1,656 new
6	single phase meters at	a cost of \$90 per meter, and 13,408 AMR meter modules that were installed in
7	existing meters. The o	cost per meter of \$341 in Meade County's 2010-2012 CWP is the combination of
8	a digital meter as well	as an AMI module for not only single phase meters, but also three phase meters.
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