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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Mr. Jeffrey Derouen Executive Director Public Service Commission P. O. Box 615 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort. KY 40602

Re: PSC Case No. 2010-00167

Dear Mr. Derouen:

Please find enclosed for filing with the Commission in the above-referenced case, an original and ten copies of the responses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. ("EKPC") to the Commission Staff's Second Data Request, dated July 8, 2010. Also enclosed are an original and ten copies of EKPC's Responses to the First Set of Data Requests of Gallatin Steel and the Attorney General's Initial Data Requests, both dated July 8, 2010.

Very truly yours

Mark David Goss Counsel

Enclosures

cc: Parties of Record

#### **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

# GENERAL ADJUSTMENT OF ELECTRIC RATES)CASE NO.OF EAST KENTUCKY POWER)2010-00167COOPERATIVE, INC.)

#### CERTIFICATE

#### STATE OF KENTUCKY ) ) COUNTY OF CLARK )

Anthony S. Campbell, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of the responses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to the Public Service Commission Staff Second Data Request in the above-referenced case dated July 8, 2010, 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.

Subscribed and sworn before me on this  $\frac{16^{44}}{6}$  day of July, 2010.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOVEMBER 30, 2013 NOTARY ID #409352

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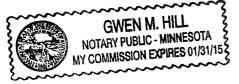
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Dennis R. Eicher, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of the responses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to the Public Service Commission Staff Second Data Request in the above-referenced case dated July 8, 2010, 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 2/2 day of July, 2010.

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Notary Public

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Craig A. Johnson, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of the responses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to the Public Service Commission Staff Second Data Request in the above-referenced case dated July 8, 2010, 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  $\underline{19^{4}}$  day of July, 2010.

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Frank J. Oliva, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of the responses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to the Public Service Commission Staff Second Data Request in the above-referenced case dated July 8, 2010, 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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Isaac S. Scott, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of the responses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to the Public Service Commission Staff Second Data Request in the above-referenced case dated July 8, 2010, 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.

Subscribed and sworn before me on this  $15^{\text{H}}$  day of July, 2010.

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#### STATE OF KENTUCKY ) ) COUNTY OF CLARK )

John R. Twitchell, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of the responses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to the Public Service Commission Staff Second Data Request in the above-referenced case dated July 8, 2010, 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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#### STATE OF VIRGINIA ) ) CITY OF RICHMOND )

Daniel M. Walker, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of the responses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to the Public Service Commission Staff Second Data Request in the above-referenced case dated July 8, 2010, 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 <u>day of July</u>, 2010.

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#### STATE OF KENTUCKY ) ) COUNTY OF CLARK )

Ann F. Wood, being duly sworn, states that she has supervised the preparation of the responses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to the Public Service Commission Staff Second Data Request in the above-referenced case dated July 8, 2010, 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.

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Subscribed and sworn before me on this  $2!^{3+}$  day of July, 2010.

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In the Matter of:

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COOPERATIVE, INC.	)	

#### RESPONSES TO COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST TO EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. DATED JULY 8, 2010

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 1RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Isaac S. ScottCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

Request 1.Refer to Tab 7 in Volume 1 of EKPC's application, the SpecialContracts section. For the Large Special Contract rate, confirm that EKPC intended to showthe proposed on-peak energy rate as \$.049754.

**Response 1.**Yes. EKPC intended to show the proposed on-peak energy rate as\$.049754. Please see page 2 of this response for corrected submission.

#### Summary of Proposed Charges Under Electric Special Contracts (Not Part of EKPC Tariffs)

Large							
Special Contract	Demand Charge: Firm Demand	\$ <del>6.63</del> \$7.00 per kW per month \$5.60 per kW per month					
	10-Min Interruptible Demand	-	*				
	90-Min Interruptible Demand	\$4.20 per kW	per month				
	Energy Charge						
	On-Peak	\$ <del>0.047128</del>	<i>\$.049754</i> per kWh				
	Off-Peak	\$ <del>0.043844</del>	<i>\$.046287</i> per kWh				
Steam Service	Demand Charge						
	Per MMBTU Energy Charge	\$ <del>547.87</del>	\$578.76				
	Per MMBTU	\$4 <del>.931</del>	\$5.206				

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 2RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Frank J. Oliva/Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 2.** Refer to the information at Tab 19 in Volume 1 of EKPC's application which shows the data for the forecasted test period as adjustments to the base period.

**Request 2a.** Provide a detailed description along with workpapers, spreadsheets or other support for the forecasted level of off-system sales revenues of \$4,077,083.

**Response 2a.** A detail of off-system sales revenue is provided on page 5 of this response.

Request 2b.Production Costs Excluding Fuel are shown increasing by \$7.9million, or 12.5 percent, from the base period to the forecasted period. Explain in detail whythis cost category is expected to increase by this magnitude.

**Response 2b.** There were several Spurlock Station operational items which are sensitive to electrical generation that were below budgeted amounts in the base period. The generation for Spurlock Station was 15% below the budgeted amount in 2009. This decrease in generation made the quantity for lab supplies, limestone, anhydrous ammonia, and magnesium hydroxide lower in the base period than in the forecasted period. In addition,

the cost for air permit fees and benefit allocations for Spurlock were below budget during the base period. EKPC does not anticipate this decline in Spurlock generation for the forecasted test year.

**Request 2c.** Fuel expenses are shown increasing from \$337.9 million to \$445.9 million, an increase of 31.9 percent, from the base period to the forecasted period. Explain in detail why this cost category is expected to increase by this magnitude.

**<u>Response 2c.</u>** The largest increases in fuel expenses are discussed below.

Fuel for the Spurlock Station Units 1 and 2 scrubbers increased \$55.8 million from the base period to the forecasted test period. Additional burn of 352,424.0 tons of coal in the test period accounted for \$18.9 million of the increase, with increased volume in-service hours of 1,565.6. The coal cost per ton in the test period is \$66.41, up \$12.90 from the base period of \$53.51; this equates to a \$36.1 million increase. The fuel oil usage is up slightly in the test period.

Fuel for the combustion turbines at the J.K. Smith Station increased \$32.5M from the base period to the forecasted test period. The gas usage in the forecasted period is up 3,063,239 MMBTU for an \$18.4 million increase in volume over the base period due to increased utilization and impact of the addition of units #9 & #10. The cost per MMBTU in the test period is \$7.63, up \$1.61 or \$11.7 million over the\$6.02 base period rate. The oil usage is also up approximately \$2.3 million.

**Request 2d.** Transmission costs are shown increasing from \$31.4 million to \$34.6 million, an increase of 10.1 percent, from the base period to the forecasted period. Explain in detail why this cost category is expected to increase by this magnitude.

**Response 2d.** Transmission wheeling increased \$0.3 million; labor, taxes, and insurance charged to transmission operations increased \$1.0 million; medical insurance and retirement benefits allocated to transmission operations increased \$1.3 million.

Request 2e.Distribution costs are shown increasing from \$1.1 million to nearly\$1.5 million, or 34.2 percent, from the base period to the forecasted period. Explain in detailwhy this category of cost is expected to increase by this magnitude.

Response 2e.Labor, taxes, and insurance charged to distribution operationsincreased \$0.2 million; medical insurance and retirement benefits allocated to distributionoperations increased \$0.1 million.

Request 2f.Sales costs are shown increasing from \$2.46 million to \$3.36 million,or 36.5 percent, from the base period to the forecast period. Explain in detail whythis category of cost is expected to increase by this magnitude.

**Response 2f.**The cost category for this increase is actually the line labeled"Customer Service and Information." The majority of this increase is related to the DemandSide Management program.

**Request 2g.** Provide schedules showing the derivation of depreciation expense levels for both the base period and forecasted period. These should include all plant balances at the necessary account or sub-account levels, along with the specific depreciation rates applied to each account or sub-account.

**Response 2g.** The table below summarizes the "probable retire dates" and "calculated annual accrual rates" provided in the depreciation study summary filed in Application Volume 5, Tab 41.

Production plant	Years 2019-2049
Transmission and distribution plant	0.71%-3.42%
General plant	2.00%-20.00%

Depreciation for production plant is based on the estimated useful life of the plants ("probable retire dates"). Because the useful life date is used for production plant, it is not possible to provide a plant balance multiplied by a rate to arrive at base year/forecasted test year depreciation expense. Page 6 of this response provides a calculation of average annual rates for transmission and distribution plant; these average rates fall within the rate range listed above. Because of the varying nature of general plant, an asset balances multiplied by a rate does not yield a calculated depreciation expense.

**Request 2h.** Provide a schedule of all long-term debt and the relevant interest rates which shows the derivation of interest on long-term debt for the forecasted period.

**Response 2h.** Page 7 of this response provides EKPC's outstanding long-term debt as of June 30, 2010, in addition to anticipated loan advances and interest rates for the forecasted test year.

#### EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE 2011 BUDGET OUTSIDE SALES

	Source	Kwh	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Revenue</u>
January	Other Sales	10,111,000	0.041200	\$ 416,573.00
February	Other Sales	17,899,000	0.039880	\$ 713,812.00
March	Other Sales	4,584,000	0.037770	\$ 173,138.00
April	Other Sales	9,711,000	0.036220	\$ 351,732.00
May	Other Sales	5,644,000	0.036100	\$ 203,748.00
June	Other Sales	2,811,000	0.037060	\$ 104,176.00
July	Other Sales	5,529,000	0.037860	\$ 209,328.00
August	Other Sales	20,404,000	0.036870	\$ 752,295.00
September	Other Sales	9,364,000	0.035360	\$ 331,111.00
October	Other Sales	6,312,000	0.037600	\$ 237,331.00
November	Other Sales	6,790,000	0.037160	\$ 252,316.00
December	Other Sales	8,125,000	0.040900	\$ 332,313.00
		107,284,000		\$ 4,077,873.00

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	Aug-10	224.678,440	330,669,551	555,347,990		Aug-10	487,436	451,092	938,528	A 0.17%		Dec-11	235,251,517	371,702,505	506,954,021		Dec-11	508,225	520,192	1,028,417	A 0.17%			
	Jul-10	24,224.340 2	321,502,194	545,726,533		Jul-10	486,845	444,477	931,322	0.17%		Nov-11	228,818,240	356,077,030	584,895,269 (		Nov-11	499,873	490,464	990,337	0.17%			
	Jun-10	24,224,340 2	321,502,194 3	345,726,533 5		Jun-10	486,845	444,477	931,322	0.17%		Oct-11	228,818,240	356,077,030	584,895,269		Oct-11	499,874	490,464	990,338	0.17%			
	May-10	223,470,677 224,224,340 224,224.340	320,196,801	543,881,794 543,667,477 543,667,477 543,667,477 545,726,533		May-10	483,878	429,042	912,920	0.17%		Sep-11	224,678,440 224,678,440 228.712,240 228.712,240 228,818,240 228,818.240 228,818,240 228,818,240 228,818,240	344,920,489 344,920,489 356,077,030 356,077,030 356,077,030 356,077,030 356,077,030 356,077,030	584,895,269 584,895,269 584,895,269 584,895,269 606.954,021		Sep-11	499,873	490,463	990,336	0.17%			
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	Mar-10	223,470,677	320,196,801	543,667,477		Mar-10	515,149	432,209	947,357	0.17%	ution	Jul-11	228,712,240	356,077,030	584,789,269	tion Plant	11-Jul	499,735	488,436	988,171	0.17%			
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	Category	Lines	Stations	Total		Category	Transmission	Distribution	Total			Category	Lines	Stations	Total		Category	Transmission	Distribution	Total				

PSC Request 2g

#### East Kentucky Power Cooperative SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM DEBT 6/30/2010

	Amount	Anticipated Composite Rate-%
RUS - EKPC	\$34,203,378	5.03
NU3-ERFC	φ <b>04,200,</b> 370	3.03
CFC # 9001	2,984,008	5.50
CFC # 9033	3,867,750	5.50
CFC # 9034	4,860,840	5.50
CFC # 9038	3,801,000	5.50
CFC Unsecured Credit Facility (Avg. Balance for 2011)	275,000,000	5.50
FFB Debt		
L-8	49,072,195	7.60
M-9	21,718,295	6.32
N-8	53,667,333	7.01
P-12	923,974	8.81
R-12	12,715,602	6.30
S-8	77,020,798	6.20
T-62	11,932,167	5.25
U-8	5,036,965	6.07
V-8	43,077,683	5.29
W-8	73,762,928	5.07
X-8	72,477,459	4.61
Y-8	200,581,133	4.92
Z-8	406,576,040	4.71
AA-8	13,472,155	4.13
AB-8	50,368,061	5.05
AC-8	55,434,310	4.44
AD-8	468,919,795	4.50
AE-8	169,249,000	4.16
AG-8	385,910,000	4.36
AH-8	10,433,000	4.38
Anticipated New FFB Advances	340,182,000	5.00 - 5.50
National Cooperative Services Corporation	4,500,000	7.70
Clean Renewable Energy Bonds	7,267,259	0.40
Pollution Control and Solid Waste Disposal Bonds		
Cooper	7,700,000	3.50
Smith	7,625,000	3.50
Spurlock	58,200,000	3.50
Smith CFB Private Placement (Anticipated)	175,000,000	7.50

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 3RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Anthony S. CampbellCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 3.** Refer to page 4 of the updated Testimony of Anthony S. Campbell, filed June 8, 2010, specifically, the discussion of productivity and efficiency gains.

**<u>Request 3a.</u>** Provide the date the Heat Rate Committee was formed.

**Response 3a.** The Heat Rate Committee was formed on October 15, 2008.

**Request 3b.** Provide a summary of any improvements in efficiency that have been documented since the Heat Rate Committee began.

**<u>Response 3b.</u>** There have been no documented improvements in efficiency.

Request 3c.In Case No. 2008-00409, then president and chief executive officerRobert M. Marshall identified, among other things, (1) a reduction in the defined benefit planlevel, (2) increases in employee medical plan contributions, and (3) improvements incompetitive bidding processes, as cost savings initiatives EKPC had implemented.Provide the current status of these initiatives and quantify the savings realized for a recent12-month period as a result of these initiatives.

**Response 3c.** Effective January 1, 2008, the defined benefit plan benefit was reduced from a 2.0 benefit with a COLA adjustment to a 1.8 benefit without a COLA adjustment. This reduction in the defined benefit plan reduced pension costs for future years. For example, the actual 2009 rate for the 1.8 non-COLA benefit was 18.72% of base wages. The rate that would have been billed for 2009 based on a 2.0 COLA benefit would have been 22.81% of base wages. The response to Request 36 in the Attorney General's Initial Data Request provides the 2009 Defined Benefit cost of \$7,384,077. If the defined benefit had remained at a 2.0 COLA benefit, the 2009 costs would have been approximately \$8,993,805, a savings of \$1,609,728.

Effective January 1, 2007, employee medical contributions were increased from 5% of base monthly contributions to 10% of base monthly contributions for employee only coverage and from 7.5% to 15% for dependent coverage. Employee medical contributions for 2009 totaled \$900,910. For the calendar year of 2009, this doubling of employee contributions saved EKPC approximately \$450,455.

Enhanced supply chain practices, which includes enforcement and improvements in the competitive bidding process, yielded savings and cost avoidances of approximately \$11.9 million in 2009. To date in 2010, savings and avoidances approximate \$3.1 million.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 4RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Frank J. Oliva/Craig A. JohnsonCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

Request 4.Refer to page 5 of the Testimony of Frank J. Oliva ("OlivaTestimony"). Starting at line 1, Mr. Oliva states that "EKPC continues to face the on-goingrisk of substantial unrecoverable costs due to forced outages."

**Request 4a.** Describe the conditions at EKPC that put it at risk for "substantial" unrecoverable costs due to forced outages.

**Response 4a.** The dispatch cost of EKPC's existing coal-fired fleet is substantially lower than the purchased power market during certain times of the year. A long forced outage of one of EKPC's bigger coal-fired units could mean millions of dollars in replacement power costs. Replacement power costs from forced outages cannot be passed through the FAC.

**Request 4b.** Reconcile Mr. Oliva's statement concerning substantial unrecoverable costs due to forced outages with the Testimony of Craig A. Johnson ("Johnson Testimony") at page 7, which states that EKPC's coal-fired generating forced outage rate is lower than the national average.

**Response 4b.** The forced outage rate is lower than the national average but the possibility of a long forced outage still exists. While the EKPC fleet is very well maintained, there still exists the potential of a major forced outage resulting from any number of reasons. For example, the Cooper Unit 1 generator developed a ground in the stator in 2009 which took approximately 3 months to repair. While the reliability of our two CFBs is improving, a tube leak in either the Gilbert or Unit 4 could take up to several weeks to repair.

Because it is a generation and transmission cooperative, EKPC does not have stockholders to rely upon to bear the risk of an unplanned forced outage of a significant duration like a typical investor-owned utility would. Therefore, EKPC constantly remains vigilant and acutely aware of the very negative financial impacts of a forced outage.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 5RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Frank J. OlivaCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

Request 5.Refer to page 6 of the Oliva Testimony, lines 17-21. Confirm that theanticipated private placement financing related to Smith Unit 1 is financing for whichEKPC will need to receive Commission approval prior to its issuance.

**Response 5.** Yes. The anticipated private placement financing related to Smith Unit 1 is financing for which EKPC will need to receive Commission approval prior to its issuance.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 6RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Frank J. OlivaCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 6.** Refer to page 8, lines 5-10, of the Oliva Testimony.

**Request 6a.** Explain whether the annual increases in interest expense and financing fees of \$1.5 million referenced on lines 7-8 are meant to reflect differences between the existing 2005 credit facility and the proposed credit facility included in the original application in Case No. 2010-00166 or something other than those differences.

**Response 6a.** The annual increases in interest expense and financing fees of \$1.5 million referenced on lines 7-8 of the Oliva Testimony are meant to reflect differences between the anticipated pricing provided in the original application in Case No. 2010-00166 and the revised terms contained in the amended portion of the application filed June 4, 2010.

**Request 6b.** Explain whether the \$2.4 million annual cost increase referenced on lines 8-10 is intended to reflect the differences between the terms of the proposed credit facility included in the original application in Case No. 2010-00166 and the revised terms contained in the amended portion of the application filed June 4, 2010.

Response 6b.The maximum annual increases in interest expense and financing feesof \$2.4 million referenced on lines 7-8 of the Oliva Testimony are meant to reflectdifferences between the anticipated pricing provided in the original application in Case No.2010-00166 and the revised terms contained in the amended portion of the application filedJune 4, 2010.

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## EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. PSC CASE NO. 2010-00167 SECOND DATA REQUEST RESPONSE

COMMISSION S	TAFF'S SEC	OND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10
<b>REQUEST 7</b>		
<b>RESPONSIBLE F</b>	PERSON:	Frank J. Oliva
COMPANY:		East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.
Request 7.	Provide an	electronic version of Oliva Exhibit 1.

**Response 7.** Please see Oliva Exhibit 1 in electronic format on the enclosed CD.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 8RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Daniel M. WalkerCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 8.** Refer to the Testimony of Daniel M. Walker ("Walker Testimony") at pages 4-7. For each of the five categories that ratings agencies use to evaluate cooperative utilities, provide a direct comparison of EKPC's credit profile with those of the cooperatives in the reference group.

**Response 8.** Each of the rating agencies has its own method to rate cooperatives. Neither S&P nor Fitch publishes a line-by-line analysis on how each evaluates individual credits. However, based on my experience and knowledge of the rating process, I can provide a general assessment of East Kentucky's credit profile compared to the reference group as a whole.

#### Financial Performance- 40%

East Kentucky compared to Reference Group: "Negative "

Reasoning: East Kentucky's financial performance significantly lags that of the Reference Group in all areas. Usually measured in a credit analysis are: TIER, DSC, equity ratio, funds from operations to debt and interest. Until East Kentucky can consistently earn sufficient margins to improve its financial performance, it will not compare favorably with its peers.

#### Rate Flexibility- 20%

East Kentucky compared to Reference Group: "Negative"

Reasoning: There are a number of factors that could have an impact on a cooperative's ability to recover costs, including the ability to automatically recover incurred costs such as purchased power, new construction, and environmental assessment. The larger the cost relative to operations and the lag in cost recovery, the greater the risk. Most coops in the reference group have a greater ability to recover costs than East Kentucky.

#### Member Profile- 10%

East Kentucky compared to Reference Group: "Neutral" Reasoning: East Kentucky's members' profiles are very similar to the members of the Reference Group.

#### Long –Term Wholesale Power Contracts/Regulatory Status- 20%

East Kentucky compared to Reference Group: "Negative"

Reasoning: The long-term contract and regulatory status of a cooperative dictate the ability of a cooperative to earn sufficient revenues to cover costs in a timely manner. Since the contracts among G&T cooperatives are very similar in regard to rates, the presence of regulation is usually the variable. The majority of coops rated by the rating agencies have their rates set solely by their board of directors. When rate regulation is added to the cost recovery process, the rating agencies often view regulation as a risk factor, since it may have a negative impact on both the timing and level of cost recovery.

#### G&T Size: 10%

East Kentucky compared to Reference Group: "Positive"

Reasoning: East Kentucky is larger than the average G&T in the Reference Group. The rating agencies, as well as many lenders, believe that size helps a cooperative offset disruptions in operations and helps in its recovery.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 9RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Daniel M. WalkerCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 9.** Refer to page 10, lines 1-2, of the Walker Testimony. Mr. Walker states that "if rated today by the three major rating agencies, East Kentucky most likely would not achieve an investment grade rating." In Case No. 2009-00476, in its response to Item 9 of the Commission Staffs Second Data Request, EKPC indicated that it currently carried an NAIC-2 rating from the National Association of Insurance Commissioners ("NAIC") and that an NAIC-2 rating was considered to be equivalent to an investment grade rating. Explain whether this response contradicts Mr. Walker's Testimony or if circumstances have changed such that EKPC no longer carries an NAIC-2 rating.

**Response 9.** There is no contradiction in Mr. Walker's Testimony and the response provided by East Kentucky in Case No. 2009-00476. The difference is one of timing and changes in circumstances. The NAIC-2 rating was a spot indication of East Kentucky's credit profile obtained on behalf of one of East Kentucky's lenders in its previous credit facility. The rating no longer applies to East Kentucky's current credit profile because that credit facility was paid off on July 14, 2010. As stated on page 10 of Mr. Walker's Testimony, East Kentucky's credit profile has deteriorated to the point that, if requested today, East Kentucky would not likely obtain an NAIC-2 rating.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 10RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Daniel M. Walker/Frank J. OlivaCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 10.** Refer to Exhibit DMW-3 of the application, which indicates EKPC had a 6.8-percent equity ratio, apparently as of year-end 2009. Page 5, line 10, of the Oliva Testimony indicates that EKPC's 2009 equity ratio was 7.3 percent.

- a. Explain the discrepancy or difference in the ratios.
- b. Explain how the equity ratio for EKPC is calculated.

**Response 10a**. The equity percentage shown in Exhibit DMW-3 is EKPC's 2008 equity percentage. Page 5, line 10, of Mr. Oliva's testimony reflects EKPC's 2009 equity percentage. Please also see the response to 10b.

**Response 10b**. EKPC's equity ratio is calculated by dividing total equity by total assets. The equity ratio calculation for 2008 and 2009 is provided below.

	:	2008*	2009*
Total Members' Equities Total Assets	\$ \$	190,370,083 2,813,754,074	\$219,131,229 \$2,976,284,675
Equity Ratio		6.77%	7.36%

\*Source: RUS Form 12 for year-end indicated

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# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 11RESPONSIBLE PERSON:John R. TwitchellCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 11.** Refer to the Testimony of John R. Twitchell, page 4, lines 14-15 and Exhibit JRT-1. The testimony indicates that load forecasts are prepared every two years. The exhibit is a load forecast work plan prepared by EKPC's Resource Planning Department in November 2009.

**Request 11a.** Explain whether the sales levels included in the 2011 calendar year forecasted test period are based on a load forecast prepared specifically in conjunction with this rate application.

**<u>Response 11a.</u>** The sales levels prepared for the 2011 test period are not based on a forecast prepared specifically in conjunction with this rate application.

**<u>Request 11b.</u>** If the response to part a. of this request is no, identify when the load forecast upon which the test-year sales levels are based was prepared and the period covered by the forecast.

**Response 11b.** EKPC used a modified version of the 2008 load forecast in preparing the test-year sales levels. The 2008 load forecast was prepared during the first two quarters of 2008 and approved by the EKPC Board of Directors ("Board") and RUS in August 2008. EKPC made certain updates/modifications to the 2008 load forecast during the first quarter of 2010.

EKPC has recently completed its 2010 load forecast; the 2010 load forecast will be presented to the EKPC Board for approval in August 2010. It should be noted that the 2010 load forecast reflects a significant reduction in demand and energy for the test-year compared to the 2008 load forecast. The table below reflects these reductions.

2011 Forecast Test Year Impacts					
		2010 Load Forecast	2008 Modified Load Forecast	Variance	
Demand (kw)					
	Rate E	23,277,693	24,476,960	-1,199,267	-4.9%
	Rates B, C, G	3,009,062	3,034,388	-25,326	-0.8%
	Large Special Contract	1,920,000	1,920,000	0	0.0%
Energy (MWh)					
	Rate E	9,710,233	10,900,307	-1,190,074	-10.9%
	Rates B, C, G	1,714,049	1,723,048	-8,999	-0.5%
	Large Special Contract	981,031	968,960	12,071	1.2%

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 12RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Craig A. JohnsonCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 12.** Refer to pages 5-6 of the Johnson Testimony, beginning at line 22 on page 5 and continuing to line 19 on page 6. Provide the schedule of planned outages for steam turbine/generator overhauls for the period 2011 through 2013.

**Response 12.**EKPC has one turbine/generator overhaul scheduled for CooperPower Station Unit 2 in the early spring of 2012.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 13RESPONSIBLE PERSON:COMPANY:COMPANY:Company:Company:Company:Company:Company:Company:Company:Company:Company:Company:Company:Company:Responsible:Company:Com

**Request 13.** Refer to page 7 of the Johnson Testimony, lines 11 - 18. Provide the exact amount of EKPC's 2009 costs per megawatt hour excluding allocated costs.

**Response 13.** The O&M cost (excluding allocated costs) for EKPC's coal fired units in 2009 was \$33.22 per MWh.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 14RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Craig A. JohnsonCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

Request 14.Refer to page 8 of the Johnson Testimony, lines 6-15. The informationprovided covers the years 2004 through 2008. Provide the averages for EKPC for the years2005 through 2009.

Please see the table below.
EKPC Average FOR 2005-2009
2.8%
2.1%
2.5%
3.9%
7.8%, (includes 27.6% in 09 due to a forced outage resulting from a ground
in the generator stator)
1.9%
0.3%
0.7%
8.3%
6.2% (a partial year-unit became commercially operational on April 1, 2009)

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 15RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Dennis R. EicherCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 15.** Refer to page 5, lines 22-24, of the Testimony of Dennis R. Eicher, which indicate EKPC is following the general approach used in preparing the cost-of-service ("COS") analysis in its last rate case. Identify any instances in which the COS methodology used in this proceeding differs from that used in EKPC's last rate case. For all such differences, explain why the methodology has changed.

**Response 15.** The general approach used both in this proceeding and EKPC's last rate case was the 100% capacity method. However, Mr. Eicher cannot confirm whether or not each specific assumption made in this proceeding mirrors assumptions used in EKPC's last rate case.

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## COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 16RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

Request 16.Refer to page 10, lines 19-23, of the Testimony of Ann F. Wood("Wood Testimony"). Confirm that the start date of EKPC's proposed base period should beSeptember 1, 2009 rather than September 1, 2010.

**Response 16.** EKPC confirms that the start date of its proposed base period should be September 1, 2009 rather than September 1, 2010.

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### EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. PSC CASE NO. 2010-00167 SECOND DATA REQUEST RESPONSE

COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 17RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 17.** Provide an electronic version of Wood Exhibit 1.

**<u>Response 17.</u>** Please see Wood Exhibit 1 in electronic format on the enclosed CD.

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# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 18RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Frank J. Oliva/Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 18.** Refer to Wood Exhibit 1, Schedules 1.02 and 1.16.

**Request 18a.** Explain whether \$39.8 million is EKPC's budgeted amount of purchased power expense for calendar year 2011.

Response 18a.EKPC's budgeted amount of purchased power for calendar year 2011is \$39.8 million.

**Request 18b.** Explain whether Schedule 1.02 reflects that EKPC's 2011 budget includes \$10.0 million in forced outage costs to be recovered through base rates.

**Response 18b.** Schedule 1.02 reflects that the 2011 budget includes \$10 million in forced outage costs to be recovered through base rates. These costs represent forced outage replacement purchased power costs, which are not recoverable through the fuel adjustment clause mechanism.

**Request 18c.** Provide a detailed description of the terms of the coverage EKPC will have under the outage insurance for which it has budgeted \$900,000.

**Response 18c.** Primary terms of the outage insurance policy covering EKPC are as follows:

Term: July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011 Perils Insured Against: Losses incurred due to Unplanned Events Event Duration Limit: 90 consecutive calendar days Purchased Power Index (PPI): MISO Cinergy Hub Day-Ahead Market PPI Limit: \$100/MWh Insured Price (IP): \$30/MWh Term \$ Deductible: \$1,000,000 Aggregate Capacity Deductible: 100 MW Schedule: On-Peak Hours Only, 7x16, Monday-Sunday, HE 0800-2300 EPT Policy Limit: \$20,000,000

Settlement Calculation: Average of the PPI (up to the PPI Limit) less the IP, multiplied by the lost capacity excess of the Capacity Deductible, up to the Capacity Limit, for all applicable hours (Schedule) of the day, up to the maximum of the Event Duration Limit or the Expiration Date, whichever comes first.

COMMISSION STAFF'S SECON	ID DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10
REQUEST 19	
<b>RESPONSIBLE PERSON:</b>	Frank J. Oliva/Ann F. Wood
COMPANY:	East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 19.** Refer to Wood Exhibit 1, Schedule 1.02, and Oliva Exhibit 1. Identify the account in which the purchased power expense of \$39.8 million is included in Oliva Exhibit 1. If the \$39.8 million does not make up the entirety of the account shown in Oliva Exhibit 1, provide the details of what makes up the remainder of the account.

**Response 19**.Purchased power expense is included in "Other Power Supply" (Line29) in Oliva Exhibit 1. A breakdown of Other Power Supply is shown below.

Account				
55500	Purchased Power			
	Energy Purchases		\$ 39,812,073	
	Amortization of Regulatory Asset (Case No. 2008-00436)	*	 3,185,760	
	Total Purchased Power			\$ 42,997,833
Account				
55600	System Control and Load Dispatching			4,866,819
Account				
55700	Long-Term Power Supply Expense			6,998,809
Account	Other Evenence Load Forecasting			536,530
55701	Other Expense Load Forecasting			550,550
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	Total Other Power Supply			\$ 55,399,991
*Pro-Form	a Adjustment to Test Year (Wood Exhibit 1, Schedule 1.19)			

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 20RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Ann. F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

Request 20.Refer to Wood Exhibit 1, Schedule 1.10, which shows the proposed\$16,000 adjustment to remove directors' severance costs. Provide a detailed listing of alldirectors' compensation, reimbursements, etc. included in the forecasted test year.

**Response 20.** Please see page 2 of this response.

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	Directors	Directors	Lunches for Board	
Month	Fees	Severence	Meetings	Month Total
Jan-11	28,721	1,333	533	30,587
Feb-11	28,721	1,333	1,067	31,121
Mar-11	28,721	1,333	1,067	31,121
Apr-11	28,721	1,333	1,067	31,121
May-11	28,721	1,333	1,067	31,121
Jun-11	28,721	1,333	1,067	31,121
Jul-11	28,721	1,333	1,067	31,121
Aug-11	28,721	1,333	1,067	31,121
Sep-11	28,721	1,333	1,067	31,121
Oct-11	28,721	1,333	1,067	31,121
Nov-11	28,721	1,333	1,067	31,121
Dec-11	28,719	1,337	1,597	31,653
-	344,650	16,000	12,800	373,450

Directors Fees and Expenses for Test Year

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 21RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**<u>Request 21.</u>** Refer to page 19, lines 8-10, of the Wood Testimony and Wood Exhibit 1, Schedule 1.20.

**Request 21a.** Explain whether the cited portion of the testimony is intended to convey that KRS 278.255 prescribes a specific amortization period for management audit expenses.

**Response 21a.** The intent of page 19, lines 8-10, of the Wood Testimony and Wood Exhibit 1, Schedule 1.20, was not to convey that KRS 278.255 prescribes a specific amortization period for management audit expenses. Rather, the reference to the statute was to recognize that management audit costs are includible for ratemaking purposes. The last sentence of KRS 278.255, Section (3), states: "The commission shall include the cost of conducting any audits required in this section in the cost of service of the utility for ratemaking purposes."

**Request 21b.** Provide workpapers and the supporting invoices upon which the legal consultants' cost of \$570,000 included in management audit expenses is based.

**Response 21b.** The legal expenses to date relating to the management audit are \$464,955. The supporting invoices are provided on the attached CD. Note that these expenses represent amounts incurred up to the April 22, 2010 report release date.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 22RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 22.** Refer to Wood Exhibit 1, Schedule 1.21, which shows the make-up of the estimated \$625,000 rate case expenses for this case. Provide, using the same categories, a schedule of EKPC's actual rate case expenses incurred in connection with Case No. 2008-00409.

**Response 22.** A schedule of actual rate case expenses incurred in connection with Case No. 2008-00409 is shown in the table below.

Schedule of Rate Case Expenses In in 2008-00409

	Category	Am	nount
(1)	Accounting	\$	-
(2)	Engineering		-
(3)	Legal		86,424.87
(4)	Consultants		174,753.50
(5)	Other		35,242.59
Total	Rate Case Costs	\$	296,420.96

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 23RESPONSIBLE PERSON:John R. TwitchellCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 23.** Refer to Tab 24 in Volume 3 of EKPC's application. Describe the nature of the following items identified as major projects:

Request 23a.	New CT site;
Response 23a.	A description of the New CT Project is provided below.
New CT site	
Project:	New combustion turbine project (200 MW)
Scope of work:	License, site and engineer a new CT project.
Reason required:	To provide additional peaking generation.
Estimated dates:	Begin – January 2010
	End – May 2015

The scope of this project is changing based on the revised load forecast. A study is still planned for late 2010/early 2011 to identify potential locations to site 3 X 100 MW of simple cycle combustion turbines and/or 1 X 270 MW of combined cycle combustion turbine generation. The scope of the study includes identification of any background environmental monitoring needed to support a future permit application. The timing of other project development, engineering and permitting work will be driven by the revised load forecast.

#### Request 23b. 404 Mitigation;

**Response 23b.** The Smith 1 CFB project requires a 404 permit from the U.S. Corp of Engineers for impacts to the Waters of the U.S. EKPC proposes to build a large reservoir--two beneficial re-use areas for ash and an ash landfill. A requirement of the 404 permit is to mitigate the impacts to the Waters of the US in those areas of development. This amount of expenditure is budgeted to meet and fulfill the obligations of this permit.

**Request 23c.** 1 & 2 Mercury Mitigation.

**<u>Response 23c.</u>** This project is necessary to comply with the U.S. EPA Utility Boiler New Source Performance Standard (NSPS) and Maximum Achievable Control Technology (MACT) that shall be promulgated in 2011.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 24RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Frank J. Oliva/Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 24.** Refer to Tab 26 in Volume 3 of EKPC's application.

**Request 24a.** Provide pages 2-5 electronically.

**Response 24a.** An electronic version of pages 2-5 (Application Volume 3, Tab 26) is included on the attached CD.

**Request 24b.** Provide EKPC's actual 2009 statement of operations at the same level of detail as the budgeted statement of operations on page 2.

**Response 24b.** The actual 2009 statement of operations is included on page 2 of this response.

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	Restated Jan-09	Restated Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09	May-09	90-nul	60-lul	Aug-09	Sep-09	Oct-09	00-voN	12 Dec-09	12 month period ended 12/31/09
Electric Energy Revenues	50C 7L 70	C33 003 FE			50 356 AA6	C7 C17 C17	57 001 ARD	61 588 701	53 963 931	50 364 390	52 667 102	74 071 776	735,860,894
Power SalesMember Looperatives Power SalesOff-Svstem	86,754,351 205.282	2ca,esa,r./ 360,378	04,310,144 912,803	222,260	2,829,352	1,403,904	930,153	251,667	199,951	1,106,545	476,784	645,455	9,844,534
Total Electric Energy Revenue	86,959,643	72,050,030	65,222,947	54,813,069	53,185,798	58.916,516	58,921,633	62,140,408	54,163,882	51,470,935	53,143,886	74,716,681	745,705,428
Other Operating RevenueIncome	(2,397,310)	435,841	(226,128)	2,648,571	4,522,729	4,442.802	1,104,126	1,152,838	800,756	3,673,161	4,270,070	6,956,269	27,383,724
Total Operating Revenue & Patronage Capital	84,562,333	72,485,871	64,996,818	57,461,640	57,708,527	63,359,318	60,025,759	63,293,247	54,964,638	55,144,096	57,413,956	81,672,949	773,089,151
Operation Expenses													
Production Costs Excluding Fuel	4,199,627	4,483,853	4,610,735	4,303.018	4,836,358	4,997,681	4,930,853	4,855,875	4,940,920	5,145,835 71 000 507	4,970,234 77 77 cc	6,133,590 27 706 048	58,408,578 294 840 153
Fuel	51,52,233 250, 50	22,305,247 777 777 61	24,324,789 10 577 959	8/6/2/0/07 7 264 006	Z1,800,451	005,201,C2	24,432,330 6 153 718	5 347 404	C/T'CCT'07	6 867 791	5 759 583	10.394.194	105.415.279
Other Power Supply Transmission	2.054.654	1.239.018 1.239.018	2.270.250	4,304,930 2,329,345	1,519,064	0,274,001 1,608,455	2,053,412	2,893,437	1,998,564	2,412,341	2,721,299	2,419,327	25,519,165
Distribution	51,446	40,878	67,256	43,339	76,697	63,148	80,528	73,861	47,438	79,341	90,311	37,523	751,766
Customer Service & Information	145,719	35,532	178,389	190,275	207,643	108,590	91,225	132,174	208,925	230,848	264,202	202,128	1,995,650
Sales	847	422	ı	42	ı	•		ı	927	1,012	1,617	1,234	6,101
Administration & General	2,381,539	2,154,909	2,723,069	1,674,800	2.210,732	3,389,557	2,758,499	2,147,294	2,108,280	1,981,076	2,065,550	3,059,440	28,654,744
Total Operation Expenses	63,582,834	43,488,335	44,702,345	32,981.794	36,489,698	41,624,478	40,500,125	42,226,781	36,974,963	38.716,326	39,350,272	54,953,485	515,591,438
Maintenance Expenses										10r 0r7 1	CF0 8FF 8	<i>t</i> t t 2 t 0 t	CO1 3CC 01
Production	1,315,271	2,357,703	2,113,4/3	4,130,893	5,910,94	4,020,983	3,829,604	3, / 10,942	4,105,557	TØ/'60'C	C/C/H///H	717'0T0'/	COT,UCC,04
Transmission	198,165	256,276	220,599	287,157	183,269	330,846	257,725	320,923	474,454	/30,105	223,063	842.338	4,324,921
Distribution	85,289	60,219	84,192	31,910	109.878	54,350	124,030	101,915	72,665	61,783	53,983	84,302	914,429 501 150
General Plant	40,752	60,605	78,589	47,840	64,705	117,962	55,265	93,581	8/,401	8/,543	12.248	719'/71	50T-926
Total Maintenance Expenses	1,639,477	2,734,804	2,496,854	4,497,800	4,268,807	4,524,141	4,266,624	4,233,362	5,343,915	6,519,211	5,124,268	8,870,464	54,519,725
Operating Expenses				000 000 1	100 140	101 133	C 1 4 1 FOO	500 300	0110031	C EN7 N70	C COC 000	5 673 767	60 548 674
Depreciation/Amortization Taxes	3,912,615	4,200,636	980,999,5 800.008		- -		- -	בצכיחסביכ			-	-	800
Interest on Long-Term Debt	9,899,310	8,957,757	9,820,742	9,095,187	9,261,660	9,110,577	9,459,362	9,545,508	9,292,139	9,746,905	9,542,355	9,588,261	113,319,764
Other Interest Expense	0	380	315	3,997	1,881	3,104	6,165	2,717	3,169	4,300	6,817	2,935	35,781
Other Deductions	(5,892)	118,474	143,090	65,260	108,581	2,138,975	741,398	809,816	(127,140)	(206,606)	(631,458)	4,053,022	7,207,522
Total Operating Expenses	13,806,033	13,277,247	13,964,036	14,254,925	14,560,568	16,419,188	15,348,514	15,918,436	14,696,327	15,046,678	14,503,603	19,316,985	181,112,540
Total Cost of Electric Service	79,028,344	59,500,386	61,163,235	51.734,519	55,319,073	62,567,807	60,115,264	62,378,579	57,015,205	60,282,215	58,978,143	83,140,934	751,223,703
Operating Margins (Deficit)	5,533,989	12,985,485	3,833,583	5,727,121	2,389,454	791,511	(89,505)	914,668	(2,050,567)	(5,138,119)	(1,564,187)	(1,467,985)	21,865,448
Non-Operating Items													
Interest Income Allowance for Funds Used	285.400	267,038	375,734	246,220	244,654	345,546	217,661	212,671	319,181	380,022	363,365	449,765	act,cta,c
During Construction	1,681,697	1,676,680	1,525,496	,		,	ı	ı	,	ı	ı	ł	4,883,872
Other Non-Operating Income	14,822	14,339	(3,786)	(83,479)	(5,363)	14,665	12,849	(27,065)	11,371	(5,024)	(4,167)	967	(59,870)
Other Capital Credits/Patronage	200	-	40,561	566	783	1,433	0	5,626	10,457	204,224	572	14	264,435
Total Non-Operating Items	1,982,120	1,958,057	1,938,004	163,307	240,074	361,643	230,510	191,233	341,009	579,222	359,770	358,624	8, /03, 5/3
Net Patronage Capital & Margins (Deficit)	7,516,109	14,943,542	5,771,588	5,890,428	2,629,528	1,153,154	141,006	1,105,900	(1,709,558)	(4,558,898)	(1,204,418)	(1,109,360)	30,569,021

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# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 25RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Frank J. OlivaCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

Request 25.Refer to Tab 30 in Volume 3 of EKPC's application at page 3.Explain in detail why the "Fuel Adjustment" amounts are negative in 2011 and 2013 butpositive in 2012.

Response 25.For 2012, budgeted FAC-related costs exceed EKPC's budgetedbasing point.In 2011 and 2013, budgeted FAC-related costs are less than EKPC's budgetedbasing point.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 26RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 26.** Refer to the information at Tab 30 in Volume 3 of EKPC's application, pages 6 and 9.

Request 26a.In the same format as shown on page 6, provide EKPC's actual MWhand kW levels, by rate schedules and contracts, for calendar year 2009 and calendar year2010 to date.

**<u>Response 26a.</u>** Please see page 4 of this response.

**<u>Response 26b.</u>** The merit budget will become effective in June 2011.

**Request 26b.** Page 9 indicates that EKPC has budgeted a 3.5-percent wage and salary increase for 2011. Provide the specific dates in 2011 when wage and salary increases will become effective.

**Request 26c.** Explain in detail how EKPC arrived at 3.5 percent as the budgeted wage and salary increase for 2011.

**Response 26c.** The 3.5 percent was an estimate of market movement. Please note that many factors are explored before an actual merit amount is determined for actual distribution.

**Request 26d.** At what point in time will the actual levels of 2011 wage and salary increases be determined by EKPC's management?

**Response 26d.** EKPC's board of directors will determine the level of 2011 wage and salary merit increases in April 2011.

Request 26e.Provide a detailed description of the positions for which EKPCbudgeted an additional 21 employees over the course of 2010 and 2011.

**Response 26e.**Please see the table below. Please note that the hiring of an additional20 employees is planned, not 21 employees.

#### <u>2010</u>

<b>Corporate Services</b> Human Resources Supply Chain - Warehouse	HR Generalist Warehouse Technician
Power Supply	
Power Supply Operations	System Operator
G&T Operations - Transmission	
Expansion - Admin. & Support	Engineering Technician
Opr Transm. & Control Area	System Operator
G&T Operations	
Construction	Senior Field Engineer (Cooper Proj.)
Construction	Project Manager (Smith Project)
Construction	Contract Material Specialist (Smith Project)
Construction	Construction Manager (Cooper Project)
Construction	Administrative Support Specialist (Cooper)
Construction	Project Manager (HQ for Environ. & Misc.)

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Environmental Environmental Landfill Gas - Site No. 7 Environmental Compliance Specialist Environmental Transmission Compl. Specialist Environmental Instrument Technician Landfill Gas Technician

#### <u>2011</u>

#### **G&T** Operations

Construction Construction Construction Environmental Field Contract Administrator (Smith Project) Safety & Material Coordinator (Smith) Administrative Support Specialist (Smith) Operations Superintendent (Smith) Environmental Instrument Technician

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# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 27RESPONSIBLE PERSON:John R. TwitchellCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 27.** Refer to Tab 37 in Volume 3 of EKPC's application and the April 2010 budget variance report filed with the Commission on June 11, 2010. For each month, provide the portion of the MWh volume variance attributable to differences between forecasted normal temperatures and the actual temperatures.

**Response 27.** The monthly MWh volume variances attributable to temperature differences are provided in the table on page 2 of this response.

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Month	Actual 2010 MWh	MWh	HDD/CDD	HDD/CDD	Temperature	Temperature
Year			······			······································
Sep-08	929,374	(16,856)	147	203	68	72
Oct-08	885,289	-	284	273	57	57
Nov-08	1,058,229	(7,728)	574	658	46	43
Dec-08	1,279,319	(4,664)	877	899	36	36
Jan-09	1,370,276	(26,520)	1,026	1,128	32	29
Feb-09	1,104,389	16,461	816	757	36	38
Mar-09	1,015,099	18,894	616	522	46	48
Apr-09	879,988	1,664	332	316	55	56
May-09	851,138		80	80	64	65
Jun-09	984,444	(5,828)	228	275	72	74
Jul-09	976,476	31,992	350	226	76	72
Aug-09	1,052,031	12,423	307	266	75	73
Sep-09	888,940	3,311	147	136	68	69
Oct-09	894,562	_	284	377	57	53
Nov-09	939,157	6,624	574	502	46	48
Dec-09	1,283,035	(8,692)	877	918	36	35
Jan-10	1,447,441	(26,520)	1,026	1,128	32	29
Feb-10	1,285,090	(53,010)	816	1,006	36	29
Mar-10	1,047,711	10,653	616	563	46	47
Apr-10	819,276	14,144	332	196	55	60

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 28RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 28.** Refer to Tab 51 in Volume 5 of EKPC's application at page 4. Provide detailed explanations for the projected increases in customer assistance expenses and general advertising expenses from the base period to the forecasted period.

**Response 28.** The projected increase in customer assistance expense from the base period to the forecasted test period is a result of a \$554,000 increase in expenses to support member demand side management programs, and a \$223,000 increase in employee labor and benefits.

The projected increase in general advertising expense from the base period to the forecasted test period is a result of a \$271,000 increase expenses relating to the WKYT Doppler Radar and Touchstone Energy All A Classic.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 29RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 29.** Refer to Tab 52 in Volume 5 of EKPC's application at pages 2 and 3.

**Request 29a.** Provide a detailed explanation for the projected increase in the cost of the defined benefit plan from \$9.3 million in the base period to \$14.8 million in the forecasted period.

**Response 29a.** The test year is composed of 4 months actual in 2009, 3 months actual in 2010, and 5 months budgeted in 2010. The defined benefit ("DB") premium for the 4 months (September through December) actual in 2009 is 18.72% of base pay. The DB premium for the 8 months actual/budgeted in 2010 is 25.5% of base pay.

The projected DB premium for the 2011 budget is 28.05% of base wages. This was determined by increasing the 2010 rate of 25.5% by 10% to account for market fluctuations.

In addition, due to the down turn in the market in 2008 and 2009, NRECA informed EKPC that an additional assessment (Debt Reduction Credit "DRC") may need to apply to increase the plan funding to required levels. An additional \$3.5 million was added to the budget to cover the potential assessment of the DRC. NRECA has since informed EKPC that the DRC is no longer needed. This \$3.5 million DRC has been removed from the test year (See Wood Testimony, Wood Exhibit 1, Schedule 1.15).

**Request 29b.** Provide a detailed explanation for the projected increase in the cost in medical insurance from \$6.5 million in the base period to \$8.4 million in the forecasted period.

**Response 29b.** The PPO medical cost is composed of two components: active employee medical and retired employee medical. The base period combines actual and budget. The forecasted period was projected in mid 2009 and assumed medical inflation to increase 10% in 2010 and an additional 10% in 2011.

2009 medical costs trended lower than expected, which resulted in lower contributions approved by the self-funded group for 2010. To-date, 2010 claims are equal to contributions. EKPC does not believe this trend will continue.

## COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 30RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 30.** Refer to Tab 54 in Volume 5 of EKPC's application at page 2. Explain the fluctuations in "Other Operating Revenue - Income" from one period to the next.

**Response 30.** The fluctuations in "Other Operating Revenue-Income" from one period to another are primarily due to fluctuations in account 44910; please see the table on page 2 of this response. During the audit of the 2008 financial statements, EKPC's external auditor recommended, and EKPC agreed, that EKPC should be recording any accumulated over or under recoveries on its fuel adjustment clause and environmental surcharge as regulatory liabilities or assets, respectively. This accounting treatment is in accordance with paragraph 9b of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 71, <u>Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation</u>. For accounting purposes, this was considered to be a correction of an error; the 2007 audited financial statements were restated. Account 44910 is the income statement account that reflects the monthly activity of recording these over or under recoveries. Note that EKPC does not budget for activity in account 44910.

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# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 31Isaac S. ScottRESPONSIBLE PERSON:Isaac S. ScottCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 31.** Refer to Tab 58 in Volume 5 of EKPC's application. Provide an electronic version of the billing analyses with the formulas intact and unprotected.

**<u>Response 31.</u>** Please find the electronic billing analyses on the attached CD.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 32RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Frank J. Oliva/Isaac S. ScottCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 32.** Refer to the response to Item 13 of Commission Staffs ("Staff") initial data request. Given the results EKPC has experienced over the past 10 calendar years regarding its slippage factor, explain in detail why it did not reflect a slippage factor in developing its forecasted test-year capital expenditures and interest expense.

**Response 32.** EKPC was aware that the Commission has incorporated slippage factor adjustments to capital expenditures in previous forecasted test-year cases. EKPC did not include a slippage factor adjustment to the forecasted test-year capital expenditures because at the time the application was prepared a slippage factor had not been calculated. Upon reconsideration, EKPC agrees that a slippage factor should be applied to the forecasted test-year capital expenditures. After reviewing the response to the Staff's initial data request, Item 13, pages 3 and 4 of 4, EKPC would suggest that the three slippage factors for production, transmission, and other shown on page 4 of 4 be utilized rather than the overall slippage factor shown on page 3 of 4. As the goal of applying a slippage factor to the capital expenditures is to reflect the differences between budgeted and actual amounts, EKPC believes it is reasonable to utilize identifiable slippage factors for the major categories of capital expenditures rather than one blended factor.

EKPC did not reflect a slippage factor in developing its forecasted test-year interest expense because EKPC believes it is not appropriate to apply a factor that is based on the variance in budgeted versus actual capital expenditures to the balance of longterm debt and the corresponding interest expense. The slippage factor is not relevant to EKPC's interest expense because EKPC generally funds its capital expenditures in arrears. Temporary construction funding is provided through the Credit Facility and subsequently long-term financing is obtained from RUS or another source. In other words, the long-term financing is not obtained until actual expenditures have been incurred. The interest expense included in this rate case reflects the long-term debt that EKPC believes it will obtain on projects or contracts that will be completed.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10REQUEST 33RESPONSIBLE PERSON:Ann F. WoodCOMPANY:East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 33.** Refer to the response to Item 46 of Staffs initial data request. Provide a general description of the types of services provided that account for the \$6.1 million in "other" professional services expenses for the 12 months ended March 31, 2010.

**Response 33.** The types of professional services denoted as "other" include: Direct Load Control Services, Environmental Compliance Services, Lab Testing, Management Audit Consulting, Maintenance Management Consulting, Security Services, Temporary Labor through Employment Services, and Transmission Area Coordination.

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COMMISSION STAFF'S SECO	ND DATA REQUEST DATED 7/8/10
REQUEST 34	
<b>RESPONSIBLE PERSON:</b>	Issac S. Scott
COMPANY:	East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

**Request 34.** Refer to the responses to Item 47, pages 7 and 8, and Item 56, page 2, of Staffs initial data request. Item 47 show disbursements to various EKPC cooperatives with the description "ETS Rebates." Item 56 shows costs for "Electric Thermal Storage Incentive" in 2007 with a footnote which states that, "[t]he Electric Thermal Storage incentive in 2008 and 2009 was a discount in the price of heating units rather than an actual incentive payment as was done in 2007." Given the information provided in the footnote in Item 56, explain the disbursements to the cooperatives shown in Item 47.

**Response 34.** The disbursements to various Member Systems shown in PSC First Data Request, Item 47, pages 7 and 8, are rebates that take into consideration the situation arising from the 10-year contract term of the Electric Thermal Storage ("ETS") contracts between the Member Systems and their member-consumers. Previous decisions of the Public Service Commission had required that if EKPC discontinued the off-peak wholesale power marketing rate (on which the ETS program was based), that rate would have to be continued until all existing contracts for service under the ETS program had expired. In July 1995 the Public Service Commission approved the replacement of the off-peak wholesale power marketing rate with on-peak and off-peak billing periods with differing energy rates.

As the off-peak wholesale power marketing rate was discontinued in July 1995, all then existing 10-year contracts would have expired by December 2008. Consequently, these rebates are the final true up in conjunction with the ETS program.