Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) Thursday, January 02, 2014 10:26 AM

Comments in case 2013-00199 - Big Rivers Electric Corp. rate case AARP BREC 3 comments 1-2-2014.pdf

Dear AARP:

We have received the attached seven identical e-mails with regard to the above-referenced case.

The PSC's normal practice is to respond individually to such comments. In this instance, due to the large number of identical comments sent by AARP on behalf of individuals, we are responding to AARP acting on behalf of its members.

Therefore, this e-mail will serve as an acknowledgement of all of the comments received via AARP and notice that they will be placed into the record of the case for the Commission's consideration.

Andrew Melnykovych

Director of Communications Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, KY 40601 502-782-2564 cell:502-330-5981 **RECEIVED** By Kentucky Public Service Commission at 10:27 am, Jan 02, 2014 Dec 18, 2013

Chairman David L. Armstrong 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Chairman Armstrong,

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Thank you for your consideration, I urge you to keep Big Rivers' proposed rate increase fair for all consumers.

Sincerely,

Mr. Johnny Counce 152 Breeze Ln Calvert City, KY 42029-9252 Dec 20, 2013

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Sincerely,

Mr. Peter Oliger 315 Four Oaks Rd Brandenburg, KY 40108-9403 Dec 16, 2013

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Mr. Jacob Carrier PO Box 532 Uniontown, KY 42461-0532 Dec 16, 2013

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Renonda Orenduff 4870 Lovelaceville Rd Paducah, KY 42001-9463 Dec 17, 2013

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Sincerely,

Mrs. judy vanderveer 4325 Charleston Rd Dawson Springs, KY 42408-8676 Dec 25, 2013

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Sincerely,

Mr. kenneth hawkins 1609 Continental Dr Madisonville, KY 42431-9533 Dec 26, 2013

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Mr. Donald Godbey 314 Woodview Dr Brandenburg, KY 40108-7134