

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT TWO 161 KV TRANSMISSION LINES IN HANCOCK COUNTY, KENTUCKY)	CASE NO.
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COMMISSION STAFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION

Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original and seven copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due on or before June 19, 2015. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Big Rivers shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though

correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which Big Rivers fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Big Rivers shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When filing a document containing personal information, Big Rivers shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the document so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to Big Rivers' response to Item 1 of Commission Staff's Initial Request for Information ("Staff's Initial Request"). The February 2015 article from the *Owensboro Messenger & Inquirer* that was attached to the response provides that "Aleris will be the first company to earn Big Rivers' Economic Development Incentive rate" and that the "discount will mean that Aleris will get a 90 percent reduction in the demand charge on the energy from the new lines for four years." When does Big Rivers anticipate filing the Aleris special contract with the Commission for its review?

2. Refer to Big Rivers' response to Item 3.a. of Staff's Initial Request, which discusses the expense reimbursement agreements between Big Rivers and Aleris.

a. Provided copies of the agreements referred to in the response.

b. If the retail and wholesale service agreements cannot be successfully negotiated by the parties and accepted or approved by the Commission, explain what impact it would have on Big Rivers' ability to proceed with the project.

3. Refer to the response to Item 4 of Staff's First Request. Provide a detailed cost analysis of the components that make up the \$400,000 per mile cost of a 161-kilovolt transmission line.

4. The response to Item 14 of Staff's Initial Request indicates that Big Rivers estimates a period of 18 months will be required after its receipt of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") "to complete the proposed transmission lines." In a June 2, 2015 Platts Megawatt Daily article on the Aleris expansion, Big Rivers spokesman Marty Littrell is quoted as saying, "The first phase of electricity will start flowing in early January, then gradually increase over time." Identify the portions of Big Rivers' planned construction that will have progressed enough by January of 2016 (approximately six months from when it could receive a CPCN) to permit the "first phase of electricity" to start flowing.



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