## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF NOLIN R.E.C.C. FOR AN ORDER PURSUANT TO KRS 278.300 AND 807 KAR 5:001, SECTION 11 AND RELATED SECTIONS AUTHORIZING THE COOPERATIVE TO OBTAIN A LOAN NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000,000.00 FROM THE NATIONAL RURAL UTILITIES COOPERATIVE FINANCE CORPORATION

CASE NO. 2018-00424

## COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO NOLIN RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION

Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (Nolin RECC), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original and six copies of the following information. The information requested herein is due within ten days of the date of this request. 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. Nolin RECC 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 Nolin RECC fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Nolin RECC 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 applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a document containing personal information, Nolin RECC shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Provide an estimate of the legal fees to be incurred for the completion of this case and financing.

2. Nolin RECC states in the application that it intends to obtain two notes in the amount of \$10 million and \$15 million with a 40-year maturity.

a. Explain why Nolin is obtaining two separate notes as opposed to one note.

b. Explain why 40 years was chosen as the loan term.

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3. Nolin RECC also states that the notes will bear interest at a fixed or variable rate at the request of Nolin RECC. Provide National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation's (CFC) current interest rate for fixed notes and variable notes.

4. Provide the factors that Nolin RECC will use to make the choice between a fixed or variable interest rate for the proposed notes.

5. Explain if Nolin RECC considered any other alternatives to CFC for financing and if so, provide the terms that were offered to Nolin RECC.

6. Refer to Exhibit 1 of the application. Provide an update to the Exhibit with the name of the issuer of the debt.

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