COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF SOUTH)	
KENTUCKY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE)	CASE NO.
CORPORATION FOR A GENERAL ADJUSTMENT)	2024-00402
OF RATES AND OTHER GENERAL RELIEF	ĺ	

ORDER

On March 3, 2025, South Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (South Kentucky RECC) filed a motion, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, and KRS 61.878, requesting that the Commission grant confidential treatment for an indefinite period for the Wage and Salary Study performed by a third-party.

In support of its motion, South Kentucky RECC argued that the Wage and Salary Study is personal to the employees and would be an unwarranted invasion of privacy if disclosed.¹ South Kentucky RECC also argued that public disclosure of the information would potentially harm South Kentucky RECC's competitive position in the marketplace, that the information is publicly unavailable, and its confidentiality is critical to the effective execution of business decisions and strategy.² South Kentucky RECC further stated that the information is generally recognized as confidential and proprietary in the utility industry.³

¹ South Kentucky RECC's Motion for Confidential Treatment (Motion for Confidential Treatment) (filed Mar. 3, 2025) at 2.

² Motion for Confidential Treatment at 2.

³ Motion for Confidential Treatment at 3.

Having considered the motion and the material at issue, the Commission finds that Wage and Salary Study is generally recognized as proprietary; it therefore meets the criteria for confidential treatment and should be exempted from public disclosure pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, and KRS 61.878(1)(a) and KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. South Kentucky RECC's March 3, 2025 motion for confidential treatment is granted.
- 2. The designated material granted confidential treatment by this Order shall not be placed in the public record or made available for public inspection for an indefinite period or until further order of this Commission.
- 3. Use of the designated material granted confidential treatment by this Order in any Commission proceeding shall comply with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(9).
- 4. If the designated material granted confidential treatment by this Order becomes publicly available or no longer qualifies for confidential treatment, South Kentucky RECC shall inform the Commission and file with the Commission an unredacted copy of the designated material.
- 5. If a nonparty to this proceeding requests to inspect the material granted confidential treatment by this Order and the period during which the material has been granted confidential treatment has not expired, South Kentucky RECC shall have 30 days from receipt of written notice of the request to demonstrate that the material still falls within the exclusions from disclosure requirements established in KRS 61.878. If South Kentucky RECC is unable to make such demonstration, the requested material shall be

made available for inspection. Otherwise, the Commission shall deny the request for inspection.

6. The Commission shall not make the requested material available for inspection for 30 days from the date of service of an Order finding that the material no longer qualifies for confidential treatment in order to allow South Kentucky RECC to seek a remedy afforded by law.

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