

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG SANDY RURAL)
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION)
FOR THE AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW)
NINE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND)
DOLLARS (\$932,000) FROM THE)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND)
FOR THE AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW)
FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND) CASE NO. 8328
DOLLARS (\$420,000) FROM THE)
NATIONAL RURAL UTILITIES)
COOPERATIVE FINANCE CORPORATION,)
TO BUILD EXTENSIONS AND IMPROVE-)
MENTS ON ITS EXISTING LINES AND)
ADDITIONS TO THE SYSTEM, AND TO)
EXECUTE ITS MORTGAGE NOTE FOR)
SAID SUMS.)

O R D E R

Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("Big Sandy") filed its application on September 4, 1981, for a certificate of convenience and necessity and for authorization to borrow the sum of \$932,000 from the United States of America Rural Electrification Administration ("REA") and the sum of \$420,000 from the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation ("CFC"), and to execute its notes as security therefor. The funds acquired by these borrowings are to be used to make system improvements and to extend service to new customers. These improvements and additions, which are estimated to cost \$1,331,000 are more specifically described in the application and record.

The matter was set for hearing on October 7, 1981, at 10 o'clock a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in the offices of the Public Service Commission at Frankfort, Kentucky. The hearing was held as scheduled and all parties of interest were allowed to be heard. There were no intervenors, and no protests were entered.

The Public Service Commission, after consideration of the application and all evidence of record, and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

1. The public convenience and necessity require that such construction as is proposed in the application and record be performed, and that a certificate of convenience and necessity be granted.

2. The proposed borrowings are for lawful objects within the corporate purposes of the utility, are necessary and appropriate for and consistent with the proper performance by the utility of its service to the public, will not impair its ability to perform that service, and are reasonably necessary and appropriate for such purpose.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Big Sandy be and it is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to proceed with the construction as set forth in the application and record.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Big Sandy be and it is hereby authorized to borrow a sum in the principal amount

of \$932,000 from REA at the rate of 5 percent per annum over a 35-year period with payment of principal deferred for 3 years.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Big Sandy be and it is hereby authorized to borrow a sum in the principal amount of \$420,000 from CFC at the initial interest rate of 14 percent per annum for a period of 7 years with the rate to be variable thereafter, over a period of 35 years.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Big Sandy be and it is hereby authorized to execute its notes as security for the loans authorized herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the proceeds from the proposed borrowings shall be used only for the lawful objects as set out in the application and record.

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed a warranty or finding of value of securities or financing authorized herein on the part of the Commonwealth of Kentucky or any agency thereof.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 26th day of October, 1981.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Marlin M. Work
Chairman

Katherine Randall
Vice Chairman

Donna Casper
Commissioner

ATTEST:
