

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF OWEN ELECTRIC)
COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR AN ORDER) CASE NO. 92-411
ISSUING A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)

O R D E R

Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Owen") filed its application on September 23, 1992 for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a new Walton Service Center ("service center") in Southeastern Boone County, Kentucky.

The proposed service center will involve the construction of: 1) a 28,000 square foot metal building for warehousing of electrical equipment, construction vehicle parking, light vehicle maintenance activities, and employee meeting facilities; 2) two storm water sedimentation ponds with surface areas of approximately one-half acre and one-third acre; 3) a three-quarter acre outside pole storage area covered with crushed stone; 4) the possible erection of a self-supporting lattice-type radio tower; and 5) parking and paved areas to accommodate 35 to 40 employee vehicles and temporary outside parking of construction vehicles.

Owen stated that the new service center is estimated to cost \$1,237,900 and will alleviate the overcrowding and shortage of space at its existing service center located in Kenton County. The existing service center was constructed in the mid 1960s and consists of three separate buildings, two of which will be sold to

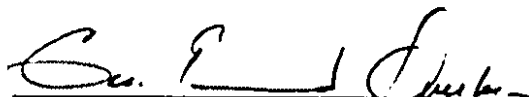
East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. and the remaining property to be retained by Owen and sold at a later date.

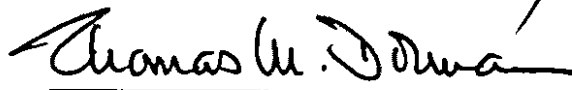
Based on the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require the construction by Owen of the new service center as described in the application.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Owen be and it hereby is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct the new service center described in its application.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 22nd day of December, 1992.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:


Executive Director