

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

BRANDENBURG TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. )  
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 ) CASE NO. 93-056  
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 ) ALLEGED FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH COMMISSION )  
 ) REGULATION 807 KAR 5:006, SECTION 24, AND )  
 ) 807 KAR 5:061, SECTION 3(1) )

O R D E R

On February 19, 1993, the Commission required Brandenburg Telephone Company, Inc. ("Brandenburg") to show cause why it should not be penalized for failure to comply with Commission Regulation 807 KAR 5:061, Section 3(1), which requires telephone utilities to maintain their plant facilities in accordance with the National Electrical Safety Code, C2 (1990 Edition) ("NESC") and 807 KAR 5:006, Section 24, which requires a utility to adopt and execute a safety program. That Order required Brandenburg to file a written response to the allegations contained in the Utility Accident Investigation Report which was attached to the February 19, 1993 Order and to appear at a scheduled hearing. Brandenburg's response filed March 12, 1993 contained essentially the same facts as had been alleged in the Commission's Order establishing this proceeding. Further, Brandenburg's response requested that the Commission cancel the hearing because, according to Brandenburg, no hearing was necessary given its response to the Commission's Order. On March 19, 1993, Brandenburg filed an additional response in

which it assured the Commission that it is continuing the safety program in accordance with Commission regulations. Brandenburg stated that immediately following the incident it reemphasized to all employees the necessity for implementing the safety program at all times.

The Commission, having considered the Utility Accident Investigation Report of the Commission Staff and Brandenburg's responses thereto, and having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. Brandenburg pay a penalty totaling \$1,000 for violations of Commission Regulations 807 KAR 5:006, Section 24, and 807 KAR 5:061, Section 3(1).

2. Brandenburg shall pay this penalty within 10 days of the date of this Order by certified check or money order made payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer. Said check or money order shall be mailed or delivered to the Office of General Counsel, Public Service Commission, 730 Schenkel Lane, P. O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 24th day of May, 1993.

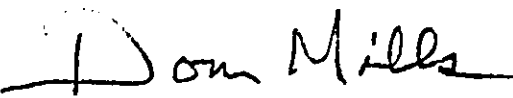
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ATTEST:

  
Don Mills