COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF EAST KENTUCKY POWER)COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF POWER)PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH KENTUCKY PIONEER)ENERGY, LLC)

CASE NO. 2000-079

<u>ORDER</u>

This matter arising upon the motion of Kentucky Pioneer Energy, LLC ("KPE"), filed May 11, 2000, for full intervention, and the response of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc., and it appearing to the Commission that such intervention is likely to present issues and develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings, and this Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The motion of KPE to intervene is granted.

2. KPE shall be entitled to the full rights of a party and shall be served with the Commission's Orders and with filed testimony, exhibits, pleadings, correspondence, and all other documents submitted by parties after the date of this Order.

3. Should KPE file documents of any kind with the Commission in the course of these proceedings, it shall also serve a copy of said documents on all other parties of record.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 24th day of May, 2000.

ATTEST:

By the Commission

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Executive Director