

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF MEADE COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC)	
COOPERATIVE CORPORATION (1) FOR A CERTIFICATE)	
OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY PURSUANT TO)	CASE NO.
KRS 278.020(1) AND 807 KAR 5:001 SECTION 9 AND)	2002-00124
RELATED SECTIONS, AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROPOSED)	
CONSTRUCTION)	

O R D E R

Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (Meade County) filed its application on April 9, 2002 for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct certain improvements and additions to its existing plant at an estimated cost of \$15,809,005. In support of its application Meade County filed its 2002-2004 Work Plan, which describes in detail the improvements and additions to its plant that are required over the next 3 years to serve its load.

Meade county seeks authorization to construct extensions and additions to its plant as follows:

1.	New Distribution Lines	\$4,405,500
2.	Distribution Line Conversions & Replacement	4,131,620
3.	Substation Upgrades	2,330,000
4.	Miscellaneous Equipment & Poles	4,337,285
5.	Security Lights & Automated Meter Reading	<u>604,600</u>
	TOTAL	\$15,809,005

The proposed construction will enable Meade County to continue to provide adequate and dependable electric service to its customers. The system improvements recommended in this Work Plan will not duplicate existing facilities and are needed to correct voltage problems, improve phase balance, and provide for improved service reliability.

Based on the application and supporting 2002-2004 Work Plan, and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that the proposed improvements and additions to be constructed by Meade County are necessary to provide adequate, reliable electric service to existing customers and anticipated new customers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Meade County is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct the facilities described in its 2002-2004 Work Plan.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 12th day of July, 2002.

By the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director