

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

MATRIX ENERGY, LLC)	
FOR DETERMINATION OF)	CASE NO. 2003-00228
RETAIL ELECTRIC SUPPLIER)	

O R D E R

On June 16, 2003, Matrix Energy, LLC (Matrix) filed an application requesting a determination of the retail electric supplier for a new coal mine to be developed in Johnson and Martin counties, Kentucky. Matrix states that the mine will be a new electric-consuming facility with 88 percent of its minable reserves located in the certified territory of Kentucky Power Company d/b/a American Electric Power (Kentucky Power) and 12 percent within the certified territory of Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (Big Sandy). Matrix further alleges that Big Sandy has no existing facilities in the area to serve the new mine, but proposes to provide service through an interconnection with Kentucky Power s facilities which are located nearby. Matrix requests the Commission to authorize Kentucky Power to be the exclusive retail electric supplier to the new mine.

Based on the application and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that Kentucky Power and Big Sandy should file written responses to the application, setting forth in detail their respective responses to the request that the new mine be served exclusively by Kentucky Power.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Kentucky Power and Big Sandy shall file, not later than July 14, 2003, their respective responses to the application of Matrix.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 24th day of June, 2003.

By the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director