COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT A 161 KV TRANSMISSION LINE IN BRECKINRIDGE AND MEADE COUNTIES, KENTUCKY

) CASE NO. 2004-00365

On November 15, 2004, Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") filed an application for Commission approval of the construction of a transmission line in Breckinridge and Meade counties, Kentucky. On December 1, 2004, the Commission issued a procedural schedule in this case, but the place and time for the January 20, 2005 local public hearing had not yet been decided.

The Commission now sets that local hearing for 6:00 p.m., Central Standard Time, at the Breckinridge County Courthouse on Main Street, Hardinsburg, Kentucky. The hearing will run until 8:00 p.m., although all people who have signed up to speak by 8:00 p.m. will be allowed to make their statements.

On December 15, 2004, Big Rivers filed a motion for an extension of the procedural schedule in this case, requesting additional time to serve discovery requests on the Commission's consultant. The Commission finds the requested extension to be appropriate and amends the procedural schedule accordingly. In the same motion, Big Rivers requested that the consultant's report be due by noon on December 22. The Commission is informed, however, that the report cannot be available by then and, in

fact, may not be filed until the following day. The Commission therefore finds that the procedural schedule should be further amended to allow filing of the consultant's report on December 23, 2004, although we encourage filing earlier if feasible.

Attached is a revised procedural schedule for this case, with the additions and amendments discussed in this Order added.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the procedural schedule set forth in Appendix A shall be followed in this case.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 21st day of December, 2004.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2004-00365 DATED December 21, 2004

Initial data requests on the application are due no later than December 3, 2004
Responses to initial data requests are due no later than December 13, 2004 (Responses to this and all other data requests in this case shall include the name of the person who prepared each response and who will be available to testify at the hearing on that response.)
Any motion to intervene shall be filed with the Commission no later than
Any request for a public hearing shall be filed no later than December 15, 2004
Commission Staff consultant shall file report on application no later than December 23, 2004
Intervenors and Commission Staff may file data requests on the application, and Intervenors may file data requests on consultant's report no later thanDecember 30, 2004
Applicant may file data requests on consultant's report no later than
Responses to December 30, 2004 data requests are due no later than January 10, 2005
Responses to January 5, 2005 data requests are due no later than January 12, 2005
Parties shall file direct testimony, if any, no later thanJanuary 18, 2005
Public hearing from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Central Standard Time, at the Breckinridge County Courthouse, Main Street, Hardinsburg, Kentucky, for the purpose of hearing local public testimonyJanuary 20, 2005
Parties may file data requests on the direct testimony no later thanJanuary 24, 2005
Responses to January 24, 2005 data requests are due no later thanJanuary 28, 2005
Public hearing at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, at the offices of the Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, KentuckyJanuary 31, 2005