

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG SANDY RURAL ELECTRIC)	
COOPERATIVE CORPORATION TO)	CASE NO.
PASS-THROUGH AN INCREASE OF ITS)	2006-00473
WHOLESALE POWER SUPPLIER PURSUANT)	
TO KRS 278.455(2))	

FIRST DATA REQUEST OF COMMISSION STAFF TO
BIG SANDY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION

Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("Big Sandy") is requested, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, to file with the Commission the original and 5 copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due on March 21, 2007. Each copy of the data requested should be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the person who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. Where information requested herein has been provided, in the format requested herein, reference may be made to the specific location of said information in responding to this information request.

1. Refer to the Application, Exhibits II and III.
 - a. Provide all workpapers, calculations, assumptions, and other documentation used to determine the proposed rates and the billing analysis.
 - b. Provide in electronic format the Excel spreadsheets used to determine the proposed rates and billing analysis, with all formulas intact.

2. KRS 278.455(2) provides that a distribution cooperative may change its rates to reflect a change in the rate of its wholesale supplier if the effects of an increase or decrease are allocated to each class and within each tariff on a proportional basis that will result in no change in the rate design currently in effect. 807 KAR 5:007, Section 2(2), provides that the distribution cooperative shall file an analysis demonstrating that the rate change does not change the rate design currently in effect and the revenue change has been allocated to each class and within each tariff on a proportional basis. In the cover letter to its Application, Big Sandy states:

In each instance, the retail rates for a particular class have been developed in a manner that is consistent with the method proposed by EKPC. The proposed rate design structure at retail does not change the rate design currently in effect and is consistent with the rate design methodology used at wholesale.

a. For each retail Rate Schedule listed in Exhibit II of the Application, identify the corresponding wholesale Rate Schedule of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

b. Would Big Sandy agree that KRS 278.455(2) and 807 KAR 5:007, Section 2(2), require that increases or decreases in rates from the wholesale supplier must be allocated to each retail class and within each retail tariff on a proportional basis? Explain the response.

c. Would Big Sandy agree that KRS 278.455(2) and 807 KAR 5:007, Section 2(2), require that the retail rate change does not change the retail rate design currently in effect? Explain the response.

3. Refer to Exhibit III of the Application.

a. Prepare the following comparative analyses of Big Sandy's present and proposed revenues:

(1) Calculate the percentage that each rate schedule or class represents of the total revenues for both the present revenues and proposed revenues. Percentages should be expressed to 2 decimal places.

(2) Calculate the percentage that each component of the base rates within each rate schedule or class represents of the total base rate revenues for both the present revenues and proposed revenues. Do not include fuel adjustment revenues, environmental surcharge revenues, or green power revenues. Percentages should be expressed to 2 decimal places.

b. Based upon the results of the analyses prepared in part (a) above, explain in detail how Big Sandy's proposed pass-through rates are in compliance with the retail rate requirements of KRS 278.455(2) and 807 KAR 5:007, Section 2(2).



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DATED March 12, 2007

cc: All Parties