

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY POWER	)	
COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC	)	
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO	)	CASE NO. 2007-00430
CONSTRUCT A 138 KV TRANSMISSION	)	
LINE AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES IN	)	
KNOTT COUNTY, KENTUCKY (SOFT SHELL)	)	

O R D E R

On October 1, 2007, Kentucky Power Company (“Applicant”) filed a notice of intent to file an application for approval of the construction of a 138 kV transmission line in Knott County, Kentucky. The application was filed with the Commission on November 16, 2007. According to the application, the route for the proposed line will run between the proposed Soft Shell Station, located near Soft Shell, Kentucky, and the existing “Yellow Mountain switch” on the Beaver Creek-Harbert-Spicewood 138 kV line. The typical line construction will be steel lattice towers using six 1590 MCM 54/19 ACSR phase wires and one 7#8 aluminum clad static wire for protection along the proposed route. Applicant states that the line will serve to increase service reliability in the area.

The project will also include the construction of Soft Shell Station, a 138-34.5 kV, 30 MVA station with two 34.5 kV distribution breakers, and associated distribution circuit improvements. The Applicant states that the station is needed to relieve loading on the

existing Beckham Station located at Hindman, Kentucky and to serve additional customer loads in Knott County.

Pursuant to KRS 278.020(8), "The commission shall issue its decision no later than ninety (90) days after the application is filed, unless the commission extends this period, for good cause, to one hundred twenty (120) days." Due to the nature of the case and the issues involved, the Commission finds that good cause exists in this matter to warrant an extension.

Using the 120-day schedule, the Commission has established a preliminary procedural schedule, attached hereto as Appendix A.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The time period in which the Commission must issue its decision in this case is extended to 120 days.
2. The procedural schedule, attached hereto as Appendix A, shall apply.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2007.

By the Commission

ATTEST:



Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2007-00430 DATED November 29, 2007

Application filed .....	11/16/07
Any motion to intervene shall be filed with the Commission no later than .....	12/17/07
Any request for a public hearing shall be filed no later than .....	12/17/07
Intervenors and Commission Staff may file data requests on the application no later than .....	12/28/07
If a timely request for hearing is made, Kentucky Power Company shall publish notice of the local public hearing no later than .....	01/04/08
Kentucky Power Company shall file with the Commission a true copy of the published notice of the local public hearing no later than 5 days prior to the local public hearing.	
Public hearing in Knott County (location to be determined) for the purpose of hearing local public testimony .....	(to be scheduled)
Responses to Intervenors' and Commission Staff's data requests are due no later than .....	01/11/08
Kentucky Power Company shall publish notice of the February 7, 2008 public hearing no later than .....	01/17/08
Kentucky Power Company shall file a true copy of the published notice no later than .....	01/25/08
Parties shall file direct testimony, if any, no later than .....	01/25/08
Public hearing shall begin at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses .....	02/07/08
Parties shall file post-hearing briefs, if any, no later than .....	02/29/08
Decision due no later than.....	03/15/08