COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

| APPLICATION OF BLUE GRASS ENERGY |) | |
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| COOPERATIVE CORPORATION FOR AN |) | CASE NO. 2008-00011 |
| ADJUSTMENT IN ITS ELECTRIC RATES |) | |

ORDER

On March 11, 2008, Leigh and Troy Roach submitted a letter, which the Commission will treat as a motion, in which they request permission to intervene in this proceeding.

It is unclear from the letter and the attachments thereto whether the Roaches are seeking individual intervention or whether they are seeking intervention on behalf of the Cherry Blossom Subdivision residents.¹ The Commission has previously held that the representation of the rights of others before an administrative agency is considered the practice of law² and must be performed by a licensed attorney.³ According to the

¹ The March 11, 2008 letter references a February 25, 2008 letter the Roaches filed with the Commission regarding the service territory boundary between Blue Grass Energy Cooperative Corporation and Kentucky Utilities Company. The March 11, 2008 letter refers to the earlier letter as being filed by the Cherry Blossom Subdivision Home Owners' Association. The February 25, 2008 letter indicates that the Roaches are residents of the Cherry Blossom Subdivision in Georgetown, Kentucky.

² Administrative Case No. 249, Practice Before the Commission by Attorneys Non-Licensed in the Commonwealth of Kentucky (Ky. PSC June 15, 1981) at 2.

³ <u>See also</u>, <u>Kentucky Bar Association v. Henry Vogt Machine Co.</u>, 416 S.W.2d 727 (Ky. 1967).

attorney directory listed on the Website maintained by the Kentucky Bar Association,⁴ neither Leigh Roach nor Troy Roach is licensed to practice law in Kentucky and they are thus prohibited from intervening on behalf of the Cherry Blossom Subdivision residents. We note, however, that the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky has been granted full intervention in this case and that he is charged by statute with representing the interests of all consumers.

The Commission, having reviewed the motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that Leigh and Troy Roach are likely to present issues and develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings and that they should be granted full, individual intervention.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The joint motion of Leigh and Troy Roach to intervene is granted.
- 2. Leigh and Troy Roach shall each be entitled to the full rights of a party and shall be served with the Commission's Orders and with filed testimony, exhibits, pleadings, correspondence, and all other documents submitted by parties after the date of this Order.
- 3. Should either Leigh or Troy Roach file documents of any kind with the Commission in the course of these proceedings, he or she shall also serve a copy of said documents on all other parties of record.

⁴ See http://www.kybar.org/Default.aspx?tabid=26.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 22nd day of April, 2008.

By the Commission

Executive Director