## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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| REQUIREMENTS OF THE FEDERAL | j | CASE NO.   |
| ENERGY INDEPENDENCE AND     | ) | 2008-00408 |
| SECURITY ACT OF 2007        | j |            |

## ORDER

On December 2, 2008, a Joint Motion for Extension of Time was filed by several jurisdictional electric utilities which have been made parties to this case. In their December 2, 2008 motion, the jurisdictional electric utilities requested an extension of time to file their testimony in this matter which, pursuant to the Commission's November 13, 2008 Order, is currently due on December 12, 2008.

In support of their motion, the jurisdictional electric utilities cite the need for additional time to develop the necessary testimony as well as the fact that the holiday schedule has made some of their necessary witnesses temporarily unavailable. They

The December 2, 2008 motion was filed by Big Rivers Electric Corporation; Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation; Bluegrass Energy Cooperative Corporation; Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc.; Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.; East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.; Farmers Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation; Fleming-Mason Energy Cooperative; Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative; Corporation; Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation; Jackson Energy Cooperative; Kentucky Power Company; Kentucky Utilities Company; Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation; Louisville Gas and Electric Company; Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation; Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Salt River Electric Cooperative Corporation; Shelby Energy Cooperative; South Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation; and Taylor County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation.

also state that a short extension of time to file their testimony should not keep the Commission from timely completing its consideration of the federal energy standards in this matter, as the deadline for the Commission's final Order in this matter is not until December 19, 2009.

On December 3, 2008, the jurisdictional electric utilities filed an errata to add Clark Energy Cooperative to the list of those utilities seeking an extension of time, and correcting their December 2, 2008 motion to request an extension of time through January 9, 2009 to file their testimony in this case.<sup>2</sup> On December 8, 2008, Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation, Kenergy Corp., and Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation filed a Notice of Joinder in the Joint Motion for an Extension of Time to File Testimony, in which those utilities also requested an extension of time up to and including January 9, 2009 to file their testimony in compliance with the November 13, 2008 Order.

The Commission finds good cause for amending the existing procedural schedule to allow the parties to file their testimony in this case by January 12, 2009. The Commission notes that the five major jurisdictional natural gas companies<sup>3</sup> were also made parties to this case. Although neither Atmos Energy Corporation, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., nor Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. have filed any motion for an extension of time to file their testimony, as a matter of fairness, the Commission will

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The original December 2, 2008 motion requested an extension of time through December 24, 2008.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Atmos Energy Corporation; Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.; Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc.; Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.; and Louisville Gas and Electric Company. See Commission's November 13, 2008 Order at 6 and Appendix D.

also allow those companies to file their testimony by January 12, 2009, or, if they have already filed their testimony, those parties may file any supplementary testimony by that date.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The Joint Motion for Extension of Time is granted.
- 2. All jurisdictional electric and natural gas utilities which are parties to this case shall file testimony, as directed by the November 13, 2008 Order, no later than January 12, 2009.
- 3. Any jurisdictional utility which has filed testimony in this matter by December 12, 2008, in compliance with the November 13, 2008 Order, may file any necessary supplementary testimony by January 12, 2009.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 11th day of December, 2008.

By the Commission

Vice Chairman Gardner Abstains.

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