### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

# THE 2015 INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN OF)CASE NO.EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC.)2015-00134

#### ORDER

On April 21, 2015, East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. (EKPC), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, moved that certain materials contained in its 2015 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) filed with the Commission be afforded confidential treatment. The information is more particularly described as actual and estimated figures set forth in Section 2.0 of the IRP that reflect the costs and benefits to EKPC of its participation in PJM Interconnection, LLC (PJM); actual and projected fuel costs, operation and maintenance costs, and production costs for EKPC's existing generation resources set forth in Section 8.0 of the IRP; data estimates and calculations of the future revenue requirements for the 2015 IRP set forth in Section 10.0 of the IRP; and a critical system infrastructure map set forth in Section 11.0 of the IRP. EKPC requests that the critical system infrastructure map remain confidential for an indefinite period and that the remainder of the designated information remain confidential for a period of 15 years.

In support of this motion, EKPC states that disclosure of the designated information would permit an unfair commercial advantage to EKPC's competitors if it were publicly disclosed, and thus is generally recognized as confidential and is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1). EKPC further states that public disclosure of information contained in the critical system infrastructure map could result in the disruption of critical transmission systems that relate to the safe and reliable provision of electricity to EKPC's members, customers and others in the region, and thus is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(m)(1).

Having carefully considered the petition and the materials at issue, the Commission finds that the materials meet the criteria for confidential treatment and are exempted from public disclosure pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1), KRS 61.878(1)(m)(1), and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. EKPC's motion for confidential protection is granted.

2. The designated materials, with the exception of the material in Section 11.0 of the IRP, shall not be placed in the public record or made available for public inspection for a period of 15 years from the date of this Order, or until further Orders of this Commission. The material in Section 11.0 of the IRP shall not be placed in the public record or made available for public inspection for an indefinite period, or until further Orders of this Orders of this Commission.

3. Use of the materials that were granted confidential treatment in any Commission proceeding shall be in compliance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(9).

4. EKPC shall inform the Commission if the materials granted confidential treatment become publicly available or no longer qualify for confidential treatment.

5. If a non-party to this proceeding requests to inspect materials granted confidential treatment by this Order and the period during which the materials have been granted confidential treatment has not run, then EKPC shall have 20 days from receipt of

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written notice of the request to demonstrate that the materials still fall within the exclusions from disclosure requirements established in KRS 61.878. If EKPC is unable to make such demonstration, the requested materials shall be made available for inspection. Otherwise, the Commission shall deny the request for inspection.

6. The Commission shall not make the requested materials available for inspection for 20 days following an Order finding that the materials no longer qualify for confidential treatment in order to allow EKPC to see a remedy afforded by law.

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By the Commission



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