

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF DUKE ENERGY)	CASE NO.
KENTUCKY, INC. FOR AN ADJUSTMENT TO)	2023-00413
RIDER NM RATES AND FOR TARIFF APPROVAL)	

ORDER

On May 1, 2024, Kentuckians for the Commonwealth and Kentucky Solar Energy Society (jointly, Joint Intervenors) filed a motion seeking to allow virtual participation of Joint Intervenors' witness, Dr. Richard McCann, at the May 21, 2024 hearing scheduled in this matter. As a basis for its motion, Joint Intervenors stated that their witness, Dr. McCann, provided both testimony and sponsored data request responses on behalf of the Joint Intervenors.¹ According to the motion, Dr. McCann works for a company located in California, and the rescheduling of the hearing has resulted in his appearance possibly conflicting with a work obligation should the hearing continue into May 22, 2024.² Joint Intervenors also stated that they had reached out to the other parties in this matter and no other party had an objection to allowing Dr. McCann to testify virtually.³ Furthermore, Joint Intervenors stated that due to Dr. McCann's limited availability on May 22, 2024, and his location outside of Kentucky, Dr. McCann's virtual

¹ Joint Intervenors' Motion to Allow Virtual Testimony (filed May 1, 2024) at unnumbered page 2.

² Joint Intervenors' Motion to Allow Virtual Testimony at unnumbered page 2.

³ Joint Intervenors' Motion to Allow Virtual Testimony at unnumbered page 2.

participation will reduce the time and other difficulties associated with traveling to the hearing.⁴

Based upon the motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that Joint Intervenors have established good cause to allow Dr. Richard McCann to participate virtually. As a result of the hearing being rescheduled to May 21, 2024, a possible work conflict arose for Dr. McCann, who resides in California. The Commission acknowledges that virtual participation would eliminate the difficulties with travel. The other parties did not object to Dr. McCann's virtual participation. Therefore, Dr. McCann should be allowed to appear virtually at the hearing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Joint Intervenors' motion is granted.
2. Dr. Richard McCann may participate virtually in the May 21, 2024 hearing.
3. Joint Intervenors shall notify Commission Staff of the party or parties that will be participating virtually pursuant to this Order within one day of the date of service of this Order.
4. Commission Staff shall contact the participants with instructions for participating remotely.
5. Joint Intervenors and Dr. Richard McCann shall coordinate with Commission Staff to ensure a technology test is done no less than three days prior to the May 21, 2024 hearing.

⁴ Joint Intervenors' Motion to Allow Virtual Testimony at unnumbered page 2.

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ATTEST:


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