COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF FARMERS)	CASE NO.
RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE)	
CORPORATION FOR GENERAL ADJUSTMENT)	2025-00107
OF RATES	j	

ORDER

On May 5, 2025, Farmers Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (Farmers RECC) filed its application for an increase of rates based on a historical test year pursuant to KRS 278.180 and KRS 278.190. The application proposed that the new rates become effective on June 4, 2025.¹ On May 13, 2025, the Commission suspended the effective dates of the proposed rates for five months, up to and including November 4, 2025, and established a procedural schedule.² An evidentiary hearing was held on September 18, 2025. Farmers RECC responded to post-hearing requests for information on October 1, 2025, and the parties filed simultaneous post-hearing briefs on October 16, 2025. On December 10, 2025, Farmers RECC filed notice, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), stating that it intended to place the proposed rates into effect for services rendered on and after January 1, 2026.³

Pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), a utility is permitted to place proposed rates into effect at the end of the suspension period, upon written notice to the Commission and

¹ Application at unnumbered page 2.

² Order (Ky. PSC May 13, 2025).

³ Notice to Implement Rates (filed Dec. 10, 2025).

subject to refund, pending a final Order. The Commission may require a utility that provides such notice to maintain records that will allow the utility, the Commission, or any customer to determine the amounts to be refunded, and to whom, in the event a refund is ordered upon final resolution of the case. Further, upon final resolution, the Commission may order a refund to the extent the rates approved in the final Order are lower than rates proposed by the utility and placed into effect pursuant to KRS 278.190(2).

Farmers RECC provided notice that it would place its proposed rates into effect pursuant to KRS 278.190(2) on January 1, 2026. The Commission finds that, because its review of the matter is not complete, Farmers RECC should be allowed to place its proposed rates identified in its May 4, 2025 notice into effect subject to refund. The Commission further finds that Farmers RECC should be required to maintain records that will allow it, the Commission, and any customer to determine the amounts to be refunded, and to whom, in the event a refund is ordered upon final resolution of the case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Farmers RECC may implement the rates identified in its May 4, 2025 notice on or after January 1, 2026, subject to refund, pending the final resolution of this matter pursuant to KRS 278.190(2). In placing its proposed rates into effect pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), Farmers RECC shall maintain its records in such a manner as will allow it, the Commission, or any customer to determine the amounts to be refunded, and to whom, in the event a refund is ordered upon final resolution of this matter.

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