

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY	)	
POWER COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF	)	CASE NO.
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO	)	2025-00346
CONSTRUCT 46KV TRANSMISSION LINE IN	)	
FLOYD AND JOHNSON COUNTIES, KENTUCKY	)	

ORDER

On December 5, 2025, Kentucky Power Company (Kentucky Power), pursuant to KRS 278.020(1), and 807 KAR 5:001, Sections 14 and 15, submitted an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to retire the entire 16 miles of the 46 kilovolt (kV) Prestonsburg-Thelma Circuit; build approximately 13 miles of new 46 kV Prestonsburg-Thelma circuit on mostly new right-of-way; replace the 138/69/46 kV transformer at the Thelma Substation; and perform related station work at the Kenwood Substation in Floyd and Johnson counties, Kentucky.

KRS 278.020(9) requires the Commission to issue a decision no later than 90 days after the application is filed unless the Commission extends this period, for good cause, to 120 days. Due to the nature of the case and the issues involved, the Commission finds that good cause exists in this matter to warrant such an extension to permit the Commission opportunity to thoroughly review the application. Therefore, the Commission will continue the application to 120 days, up to and including April 3, 2026.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> April 3, 2026 is the closest weekday to the 120 days. The Commission will issue the final Order no later than that date.

The Commission further finds that a procedural schedule should be established for the orderly processing of this case. A procedural schedule is set forth in the Appendix to this Order. This schedule may be amended, in necessary, should a party request and be granted intervention.

Additionally, any hearing scheduled in this matter shall be held on the designated day or days and continued until called from the bench by the presiding officer. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 2, if the hearing is not concluded on the designated day, the hearing may be continued upon verbal announcement by the presiding officer. A verbal announcement made by the presiding officer shall be proper notice of the continued hearing. Hearings are held in the Richard Raff Hearing Room at the offices of the Public Service Commission at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky. Witnesses who sponsor schedules, testimony, or responses to requests for information are expected to participate in person at a hearing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. This case is continued to 120 days, up to and including April 3, 2026.
2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed.
3. Kentucky Power shall respond to all requests for information propounded by Commission Staff, whether identified on the procedural schedule or otherwise, as provided in those requests.
4. Any party filing a paper with the Commission shall file an electronic copy in accordance with the electronic filing procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable,

and shall be appropriately bookmarked. The Commission directs the parties to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085<sup>2</sup> regarding filings with the Commission.

5. As set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11), a person requesting permissive intervention in a Commission proceeding is required to demonstrate either (1) a special interest in the proceeding that is not adequately represented in the case, or (2) that intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. Therefore, any person requesting to intervene in a Commission proceeding must state with specificity the person's special interest that is not otherwise adequately represented, or the issues and facts that the person will present that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter. A mere recitation of the quantity of utility service consumed by the movant or a general statement regarding a potential impact of possible modification of rates will not be deemed sufficient to establish a special interest.

6. Any motion to intervene filed after the date established in the procedural schedule shall also show good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

7. Kentucky Power shall give notice of the hearing in compliance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b). In addition, the notice of hearing shall include the following statements: "This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed by connecting to the YouTube link posted on the PSC website, [psc.ky.gov](https://psc.ky.gov)" and "Public comments may be

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<sup>2</sup> Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to provide public comments may do so by arriving at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, before the beginning of the hearing. At the time the notice is mailed or publication is requested, Kentucky Power shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

8. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.

9. Any hearing scheduled in this matter shall be held on the designated day or days and continued until called from the bench by the presiding officer. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 2, if the hearing is not concluded on the designated day, the hearing shall be continued upon verbal announcement by the presiding officer. A verbal announcement made by the presiding officer shall be proper notice of the continued hearing.

10. Witnesses who sponsor schedules, testimony, or responses to requests for information shall participate in person at any hearing scheduled in this matter.

11. Pursuant to KRS 278.360 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(9), a digital video recording shall be made of the hearing.

12. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance. Accordingly, motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

13. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions to substitute witnesses or excuse witnesses from testifying at Commission hearings. Accordingly, motions to substitute witnesses or excuse a witness from testifying at a Commission


hearing or from testifying in person at a Commission hearing shall be made in writing at least 14 days prior to the hearing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Commissioner

  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director



Case No. 2025-00346

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2025-00346 DATED DEC 19 2025

Last day for intervention requests to be accepted..... 01/09/2026

All initial requests for information to Kentucky Power  
shall be filed no later than ..... 01/16/2026

Kentucky Power shall file responses to initial requests for  
information no later than..... 01/30/2026

All supplemental requests for information to Kentucky Power  
shall be filed no later than ..... 02/13/2026

Kentucky Power shall file responses to supplemental requests  
for information no later than ..... 02/27/2026

Last day for parties to request a public hearing or  
submit a request for the matter be decided  
based upon the written record..... 03/06/2026

This schedule may be amended should a party request and be granted intervention.

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