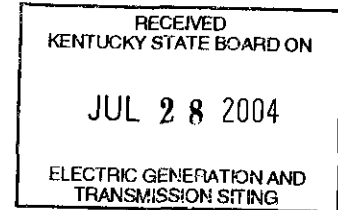


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Ms. Beth O'Donnell
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Re: Estill County Energy Partners, LLC
Siting Board Case No. 2002-00172

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Thank you for your letter of July 19, 2004 regarding Case No. 2002-00172. Prior to the July 19, 2004 notice provided by the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting ("Siting Board"), Big Rivers had received no notice or transmission study request in regard to the construction of the Estill County Energy Partners, LLC generating facility.

Based on a brief review of the Estill County Energy Partners, LLC planned project, neither facility loading problems, nor significant short-circuit or stability impacts are likely as a direct result of the generation addition. Consequently, no upgrades to the Big Rivers transmission system are required.

Sincerely,

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