

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF CLARK ENERGY	)	
COOPERATIVE, INC. OF WINCHESTER,	)	
KENTUCKY, FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL	)	
OF A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND	)	CASE NO.
NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT ACCORDING TO	)	2003-00016
THE COOPERATIVE'S 2003-2005 THREE YEAR	)	
CONSTRUCTION WORK PLAN	)	

O R D E R

Clark Energy Cooperative, Inc. ("Clark Energy") filed its application on January 29, 2003 for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to construct certain improvements and additions to its existing plant at an estimated cost of \$17,477,087. In support of its application, Clark Energy filed its 2003-2005 Work Plan which describes in detail the improvements and additions to its plant that are required over the next 2 years to serve its load.

Clark Energy seeks authorization to construct extensions and additions to its plant as follows:

1.	New Services	\$ 5,873,988
2.	Service Upgrades	329,220
3.	New Security Lights	340,032
4.	Pole Replacements	1,034,958
5.	New Meters	233,700
6.	New Transformers	2,971,200
7.	System Improvements	3,964,989
8.	Equipment and Sectionalizing	1,529,000
9.	Office Renovation and Expansion	<u>1,200,000</u>
	TOTAL	\$17,477,087

On August 6, 2003, in response to an information request propounded by Commission Staff, Clark Energy informed the Commission that it began construction on the office renovation and expansion project in late January 2003. The Commission will not issue a CPCN approving a project in which construction has commenced and/or has been completed.

The proposed electric system construction will enable Clark Energy to continue to provide adequate and dependable electric service to its customers. The system improvements recommended in this Work Plan will not duplicate existing facilities and are needed to correct voltage problems, improve phase balance, and provide for improved service reliability.

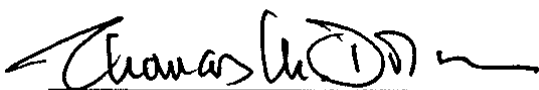
Based on the application and supporting 2003-2005 Work Plan, and being advised, the Commission finds that the proposed improvements and additions, with the exception of the office renovation and expansion, to be constructed by Clark Energy are necessary to provide adequate, reliable electric service to existing customers and anticipated new customers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Clark Energy is granted a CPCN to construct the facilities described in its 2003-2005 Work Plan, excluding the office renovation and expansion.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

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Executive Director