COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY 1 2 BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION 3 In the Matter of: ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS) ELECTRIC CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL TO MODIFY ITS MRSM TARIFF, CEASE Case No. DEFERRING DEPRECIATION EXPENSES. 2020-00064 ESTABLISH REGULATORY ASSETS. AMORTIZE REGULATORY ASSETS, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE RELIEF MOTION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION FOR 4 CONFIDENTIAL PROTECTION 5 6 Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") hereby moves the 1. 7 Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001 8 Section 13 and KRS 61.878, to grant confidential treatment to certain information 9 Big Rivers is filing with its responses to the Commission Staff's ("PSC") First 10 Requests for Information, the Kentucky Office of the Attorney General's ("AG") First 11 Set of Data Requests, and Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc.'s ("KIUC") 12 First Set of Data Requests. The information for which Big Rivers seeks confidential 13 treatment is hereinafter referred to as the "Confidential Information." 2.The Confidential Information includes: 14 a. Portions of the responses and/or attachments for the responses to: Items 15 16 1, 3, 8, 9, 12, 17, 19, 20 and 28 of the PSC's First Requests for Information ("PSC 1-1." "PSC 1-3." "PSC 1-8." "PSC 1-9." "PSC 1-12." 17 "PSC 1-17," "PSC 1-19," "PSC 1-20," "PSC 1-28," respectively); 18

2 10, 12, 17, 18, 27, 28, 29, 32, 36, 38, 39, 44, 47, 48, 50, 51, 54, 55, 57, and 62 of the AG's First Set of Data Requests ("AG 1-10," "AG 1-12," "AG 1-

b. Portions of the responses and/or attachments for the responses to: Items

- 4 17," "AG 1-18," "AG 1-27," "AG 1-28," "AG 1-29," "AG 1-32," "AG 1-36,"
- 5 "AG 1-38," "AG 1-39," "AG 1-44," "AG 1-47," "AG 1-48," "AG 1-50," "AG
- 6 1-51," "AG 1-54," "AG 1-55," "AG 1-57," "AG 1-62," respectively); and
- c. Portions of the responses and/or attachments for the responses to: Items
 4, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 of KIUC's First Set of Data Requests ("KIUC
 1-4," "KIUC 1-7," "KIUC 1-10," "KIUC 1-11," "KIUC 1-12", "KIUC 1-13,"
- 10 "KIUC 1-14," respectively).

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- 11 3. Pursuant to the Commission's March 24, 2020 Order in In the Matter of: 12 Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19, Case No. 2020-00085 ("Case No. 2020-00085"), one (1) copy of the confidential information 13 14 highlighted with transparent ink, printed on yellow paper, or otherwise marked 15 "CONFIDENTIAL," is being field with this motion by use of an encrypted file-share 16 site, whereby the Commission may retrieve the confidential materials. A copy of those 17 pages, with the Confidential Information redacted, is being electronically filed with 18 the Responses to the Information Requests filed with this Motion.
 - 4. The "live" electronic attachments containing Confidential Information are contained in the confidential electronic files that are being filed pursuant to this motion and placed on the encrypted file-share site. Big Rivers cannot redact only the Confidential Information from the electronic spreadsheet attachments without

- 1 making other cells in the spreadsheet unusable or breaking the formulas contained
- 2 therein, and so, the entirety of those attachments must be made confidential.
- 3 Likewise, there are other instances where the pervasive nature of the confidential
- 4 information which would make public versions ineffectual and unhelpful to the
- 5 Commission. As such, the entirety of these confidential files have been redacted from
- 6 the Responses to the Information Requests electronically filed with this motion.
- 7 5. A copy of this motion with the Confidential Information redacted has
- 8 been served on all parties to this proceeding through the use of electronic filing. See
- 9 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(b). A copy of the Confidential Information has been served
- on all parties that have signed a confidentiality agreement.
- 11 6. The Confidential Information is not publicly available, is not
- 12 disseminated within Big Rivers except to those employees and professionals with a
- 13 legitimate business need to know and act upon the information, and is not
- 14 disseminated to others without a legitimate need to know and act upon the
- 15 information.
- 16 7. If disclosed, the Confidential Information included herein would allow
- 17 Big Rivers' competitors to discover, and make use of, confidential information
- 18 concerning Big Rivers' financial condition and business strategies, to the unfair
- 19 competitive disadvantage of Big Rivers.
- 20 8. If and to the extent the Confidential Information becomes generally
- 21 available to the public, whether through filings required by other agencies or

- otherwise, Big Rivers will notify the Commission in writing. See 807 KAR 5:001,
- 2 Section 13(10)(b).

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- 3 9. As discussed below, the Confidential Information is entitled to
- 4 confidential treatment based upon KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1). See 807 KAR 5:001, Section
- 5 13(2)(a)(1). Further, KRS 278.160(3) shields from disclosure "a provision of a special
- 6 contract that contains rates and conditions of service not filed in a utility's general
- 7 schedule if such provision would otherwise be entitled to be excluded from the
- 8 application of KRS 61.870 under the provisions of KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1)."
- 9 10. Further, much of the Confidential Information is similar to or pertains 10 to the Confidential Information contained in Big Rivers' Application (including
- information related to Big Rivers' confidential financial information and information
- 12 related to special contracts, including with Nucor Corporation ("Nucor")) and for
- 13 which the Commission already granted confidential treatment. See Commission's
- March 17, 2020 Order, Case No. 2020-00064 (granting confidentiality to information
- 15 related to the Nucor contract indefinitely and granting confidentiality to financial
- information for five years) (the "March 17, 2020 Order").

I. Information Protected by KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1)

A. Big Rivers Faces Actual Competition

19 11. KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1) protects "records confidentially disclosed to an

agency or required by an agency to be disclosed to it, generally recognized as

confidential or proprietary, which if openly disclosed would permit an unfair

commercial advantage to competitors of the entity that disclosed the records."

12. As a generation and transmission cooperative, Big Rivers competes in the wholesale power market to sell energy that it produces in excess of its members' needs. This includes not only the over-the-counter day-ahead and over-the-counter hourly markets to which Big Rivers has access by virtue of its membership in Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO"), but also direct, bilateral long-term agreements. Big Rivers' ability to successfully compete in these markets is dependent upon a combination of its ability to: 1) obtain the maximum price for the power it sells, and 2) keep its cost of production as low as possible. Fundamentally, if Big Rivers' cost of producing a unit of power increases, its ability to sell that unit in competition with other utilities is adversely affected.

13. Big Rivers also competes for reasonably priced credit in the credit markets, and its ability to compete is directly impacted by its financial results. Lower revenues and any events that adversely affect Big Rivers' margins will adversely affect its financial results and potentially impact the price it pays for credit. A competitor armed with Big Rivers' proprietary and confidential information will be able to increase Big Rivers' costs or decrease Big Rivers' revenues, which could in turn affect Big Rivers' creditworthiness. A utility the size of Big Rivers that operates generation and transmission facilities will always have periodic cash and borrowing requirements for both anticipated and unanticipated needs. Big Rivers expects to be in the credit markets in the future, and it is imperative that Big Rivers improve and maintain its credit profile.

1 14. Accordingly, Big Rivers has competitors in both the power and capital markets, and its Confidential Information should be protected to prevent the imposition of an unfair competitive advantage.

B. The Confidential Information is Generally Recognized as Confidential or Proprietary.

- 15. The Confidential Information for which Big Rivers seeks confidential treatment under KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1) is generally recognized as confidential or proprietary under Kentucky law.
- 16. The Confidential Information attached in response to PSC 1-1 contains projected costs estimates for projected capital projects to be performed by a thirdparty, the disclosure of which would negatively affect the RFP process for such work.
- 13 17. The Confidential Information contained in response to PSC 1-3 includes information derived from sensitive projected financial documents.
 - 18. The Confidential Information contained in response to PSC 1-8 and PSC 1-9 include the projected value of certain assets Big Rivers will seek to sell, the disclosure of which would give potential buyers a competitive advantage by giving insight into the prices that may be acceptable to Big Rivers.
 - 19. The Confidential Information contained in response to PSC 1-12 contains individual customer usage data, information related to the Nucor contract pending Commission approval, and information regarding Big Rivers' contract with Aleris Rolled Products, Inc. ("Aleris"), to which the Commission previously granted confidential treatment for an indefinite period. See In the Joint Application of Kenergy

- 1 Corp. and Big Rivers Electric Corporation for Approval of Contracts, Order, P.S.C.
- 2 Case No. 2016-00117 (June 11, 2019).
- 3 20. The Confidential Information contained in response to PSC 1-17
- 4 includes information from Big Rivers' financial projections, including projected TIER
- 5 calculations.
- 6 21. The Confidential Information contained in the response to PSC 1-19
- 7 includes information from Big Rivers' financial forecast, including projected TIER
- 8 calculations.
- 9 22. The Confidential Information contained in the response to PSC 1-20
- 10 contains projected costs estimates for projected capital projects to be performed by a
- third-party, the disclosure of which would negatively affect the RFP process for such
- work.
- 13 23. The Confidential Information contained in the response to PSC 1-28
- 14 contains data regarding projected fuel costs.
- 15 24. The Confidential Information contained in the response to AG 1-10
- 16 relates to specific information about the pending agreement with Nucor.
- 17 25. The Confidential Information contained in response to AG 1-12 includes
- 18 information that could provide information related to Big Rivers' future load
- 19 requirements as well as disclose confidential, commercially sensitive negotiations
- 20 between Big Rivers and third-parties.
- 21 26. The Confidential Information contained in response to AG 1-17 relates
- 22 to specific information about the pending agreement with Nucor.

- 1 27. The Confidential Information attached to response AG 1-18 contains Big
- 2 Rivers' projected capital expenditures.
- 3 28. The Confidential Information attached to response AG 1-27 is a
- 4 confidential business planning and strategy presentation made to Big Rivers' Board
- 5 of Directors.
- 6 29. The Confidential Information contained in and attached to response AG
- 7 1-28 relates to specific information about the pending agreement with Nucor.
- 8 30. The Confidential Information attached to response AG 1-29 is Big
- 9 Rivers' financial forecast.
- 10 31. The Confidential Information attached to response AG 1-32 is Big
- 11 Rivers' confidential strategic business plan.
- 12 32. The Confidential Information contained in and attached to AG 1-36
- 13 includes information from Big Rivers' financial forecast and confidential
- 14 presentations containing information derived from Big Rivers' financial forecast and
- 15 confidential business plans.
- 16 33. The Confidential Information contained in and attached to AG 1-38
- 17 relates to individual customer usage and contain information regarding Big Rivers'
- 18 contract with the Kentucky Municipal Energy Agency ("KyMEA"), to which the
- 19 Commission previously granted confidential treatment for an indefinite period. See
- 20 In the Matter of: Filing of Agreement for the Purchase and Sale of Firm Capacity and
- 21 Energy Between Big Rivers Electric Corporation and the Kentucky Municipal Energy
- 22 Agency, Order, P.S.C. Case No. 2016-00306 (Jan. 2, 2019).

- 1 34. The Confidential Information contained in and attached to AG 1-39
- 2 relates to individual customer usage and contain confidential information regarding
- 3 Big Rivers' contracts with entities in Nebraska (the "Nebraska Contracts"), to which
- 4 the Commission previously granted confidential treatment for an indefinite period.
- 5 See In the Matter of: Big Rivers Electric Corporation Filing of Wholesale Contracts
- 6 Pursuant to KRS 278.180 and KAR 5:011 § 13, Order, P.S.C. Case No. 2014-00134
- 7 (Sept. 10, 2014).
- 8 35. The Confidential Information contained in response to AG 1-44 includes
- 9 information related to Big Rivers' projected generation capacity and business plans.
- 10 36. The Confidential Information attached to AG 1-47 contains sensitive,
- 11 confidential bid information Big Rivers received in response to an issued RFP.
- 12 37. The Confidential Information contained in AG 1-48 contains
- information related to future financial projections and business plans.
- 14 38. The Confidential Information attached to response AG 1-50 is a copy of
- 15 Big Rivers' 2020 Strategic Plan, which contains sensitive projected business and
- 16 financial information.
- 17 39. The Confidential Information contained in response to AG 1-51 relates
- to confidential business negotiations between Big Rivers and third-parties.
- 19 40. The Confidential Information attached to response AG 1-54 include
- 20 confidential presentations containing information derived from Big Rivers' financial
- 21 forecast and confidential business plans.

- 1 41. The Confidential Information contained in response AG 1-55 contains
- 2 information that is from Big Rivers' long-term financial forecast.
- 3 42. The Confidential Information contained in response AG 1-57 contains
- 4 information derived from the confidential portions of Big Rivers' power purchase and
- 5 sales agreements.
- 6 43. The Confidential Information contained in response and attached to AG
- 7 1-62 contains projected financial information, projected O&M costs, and expected
- 8 costs of capital projects for which Big Rivers expects to receive bids from third-parties.
- 9 44. The Confidential Information contained in response to KIUC 1-4
- 10 includes information from Big Rivers' financial forecast.
- 11 45. The Confidential Information attached to response KIUC 1-7 contains
- 12 information related to individual customer usage.
- 13 46. The Confidential contained in the response and attached to KIUC 1-10
- 14 includes information related to individual customer usage and contains information
- 15 regarding Big Rivers' contract with Aleris, to which the Commission previously
- 16 granted confidential treatment for an indefinite period.
- 17 47. The Confidential Information attached to response KIUC 1-11 contains
- 18 information related to individual customer usage.
- 19 48. The Confidential Information contained in response to KIUC 1-12
- 20 relates to specific information about the pending agreement with Nucor.
- 21 49. The Confidential Information attached to response KIUC 1-13 contains
- 22 information related to individual customer usage.

- 1 50. The Confidential Information attached to response KIUC 1-14 contains 2 information related to individual customer usage.
- 3 Public disclosure of the Confidential Information would reveal detailed 51. information relating to Big Rivers' projected variable O&M costs for production 4 5 factors such as fuel, reagent, disposal, and emission allowances; projected margins; 6 and projected off-system sales price, volume, and revenue, as well as individual 7 customer usage. This information provides insight into Big Rivers' cost of producing 8 power and would indicate the prices at which Big Rivers is willing to buy or sell power 9 and production factors. The information is also indicative of the market conditions 10 Big Rivers expects to encounter and its ability to compete with competitors. The 11 Commission has previously granted confidential treatment to similar information. 12 See, e.g., In the Matter of: Application of Big Rivers Electric Corporation for a General Adjustment in Rates Supported by Fully Forecasted Test Period, Order, P.S.C. Case 13 14 No. 2013-00199 (November 25, 2013); In the Matter of: Application of Big Rivers 15 Electric Corporation for a General Adjustment in Rates, Order, P.S.C. Case No. 2012-16 00535 (Apr. 25, 2013) (the "April 25 Confidentiality Order"); Id., Order (August 14, 17 2013) (the "August 14 Confidentiality Order"); In the Matter of: Application of Big 18 Rivers Electric Corporation for Approval of its 2012 Environmental Compliance Plan, for Approval of its Amended Environmental Cost Recovery Surcharge Tariff, for 19 20Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity, and for Authority to Establish a 21Regulatory Account, Letter, P.S.C. Case No. 2012-00063 (August 15, 2012).

expenditures and planned outages would reveal when Big Rivers will have excess
power available to sell into the market, or when Big Rivers' generation levels will
drop due to maintenance and construction and will have to resort to purchased power

Public disclosure of information relating to Big Rivers' projected capital

- 5 to meet its native load. The Commission has previously granted confidential
- 6 treatment to similar information. See, e.g., November 25, 2013 Confidentiality Order,
- 7 P.S.C. Case No. 2013-00199; April 25 Confidentiality Order, P.S.C. Case No. 2012-
- 8 00535; P.S.C. Administrative Case No. 387, Letter (July 20, 2010).

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- 9 53. Information related to sensitive negotiations between Big Rivers and 10 other entities and the proprietary information supplied to Big Rivers by its 11 consultants and industry groups of which it is a member illuminates Big Rivers' long-12 term business strategy and is generally subject to confidentiality agreements among 13 the various parties involved. The Commission has previously granted confidential 14 treatment to similar information. See, e.g., November 25, 2013 Confidentiality Order, P.S.C. Case No. 2013-00199; April 25 Confidentiality Order, P.S.C. Case No. 2012-15 16 00535.
 - 54. Additionally, public disclosure of the Confidential Information would reveal details of meetings of the Board of Directors, fundamental financial data and projections, and current and projected demand. Information such as this which bears upon a company's detailed inner workings is generally recognized as confidential or proprietary. *See, e.g., Hoy v. Ky. Indus. Revitalization Auth.*, 907 S.W.2d 766, 768 (Ky. 1995) ("It does not take a degree in finance to recognize that such information

- 1 concerning the inner workings of a corporation is 'generally recognized as confidential
- 2 or proprietary."). Additionally, the Commission has previously granted confidential
- 3 treatment to this type of information. See, e.g., April 25 Confidentiality Order, P.S.C.
- 4 Case No. 2012-00535 (granting confidential treatment to minutes of the Big Rivers
- 5 Board of Directors, Big Rivers' Financial Model, and Big Rivers' load forecast);
- 6 November 25, 2013 Confidentiality Order, P.S.C. Case No. 2013-00199; In the Matter
- 7 of: An Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of East Ky. Power
- 8 Coop., Inc. From Nov. 1, 2011 through Apr. 30, 2012, Order, P.S.C. Case No. 2012-
- 9 003919 (February 21, 2013).
- 10 55. Finally, the Commission has previously granted confidentiality to much
- of the specific information for which confidentiality is sought, including through the
- 12 March 17, 2020 Order, in which the Commission recognized that sensitive financial
- information and confidential portions of the Nucor contract are subject to confidential
- 14 treatment.

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- C. Disclosure of the Confidential Information Would Result in an Unfair Commercial Advantage to Big Rivers' Competitors.
- 18 56. Disclosure of the Confidential Information would grant Big Rivers'
- 19 competitors an unfair commercial advantage. As discussed above in Section II.A, Big
- 20 Rivers faces actual competition in both the short-and long-term wholesale power
- 21 markets and in the credit markets. It is likely that Big Rivers' ability to compete in
- 22 these markets would be adversely affected if the Confidential Information were
- 23 publicly disclosed, and Big Rivers seeks protection from such competitive injury.

The Confidential Information includes material such as Big Rivers' 57. projections of fuel and emissions costs and power prices, Big Rivers' market sales and purchase information, sensitive business negotiations and agreements third-parties, and confidential responses received by Big Rivers in response to issued RFPs. If that information is publicly disclosed, market participants would have insight into the prices at which Big Rivers is willing to buy and sell fuel and could manipulate the bidding process, impairing the ability to generate power at competitive rates and thus to compete in the wholesale power markets. Furthermore, any competitive pressure that adversely affects Big Rivers' revenue and margins could make the company appear less creditworthy and thus impair its ability to compete in the credit markets. These effects were recognized in PSC Case No. 2003-00054, in which the Commission granted confidential treatment to bids submitted to Union Light, Heat & Power ("ULH&P"). ULH&P argued, and the Commission implicitly accepted, that if the bids it received were publicly disclosed, contractors on future work could use the bids as a benchmark, which would likely lead to the submission of higher bids. In the Matter of: Application of the Union Light, Heat and Power Company for Confidential Treatment, Order, PSC Case No. 2003-00054 (August 4, 2003). The Commission also implicitly accepted ULH&P's further argument that the higher bids would lessen ULH&P's ability to compete with other gas suppliers. Id. Similarly, potential fuel and power suppliers manipulating Big Rivers' bidding process would lead to higher costs or lower revenues to Big Rivers and would place it at an unfair competitive disadvantage in the wholesale power market and credit markets.

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58. Potential market power purchasers could use the information related to Big Rivers' projected off-system sales and revenues, generation levels, generator availability, planned outages, and future planning to know when Big Rivers will have excess power to sell into the wholesale market and could use that information to manipulate their bids, leading to lower revenues to Big Rivers and placing it at an unfair competitive disadvantage in the credit markets.

- 59. Additionally, public disclosure of the prices of fuel, reagent, disposal, emission allowance, and other variable cost information, and information about Big Rivers' wholesale power needs would give the power producers and marketers with which Big Rivers competes in the wholesale power market insight into Big Rivers' cost of producing power and need for power and energy during the periods covered by the information. Knowledge of this information would give those power producers and marketers an unfair competitive advantage because they could use that information to potentially underbid Big Rivers in wholesale transactions. It would also give potential suppliers to Big Rivers a competitive disadvantage because they will be able to manipulate the price of power bid to Big Rivers in order to maximize their revenues, thereby driving up Big Rivers' costs and impairing Big Rivers' ability to compete in the wholesale power and credit markets.
- 60. Finally, the Commission has consistently recognized that board minutes, internal strategic planning information, and related materials are entitled to confidential treatment, as these documents typically relate to the company's economic status and business strategies. See, e.g., Marina Mgmt. Servs. v. Cabinet

1 for Tourism, Dep't of Parks, 906 S.W.2d 318, 319 (Ky. 1995) (unfair commercial 2 advantage arises simply from "the ability to ascertain the economic status of the 3 entities without the hurdles systematically associated with the acquisition of such information about privately owned organizations"); In the Matter of: The Joint 4 5 Application of Duke Energy Corp., Cinergy Corp., Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., Duke 6 Energy Kentucky, Inc., Diamond Acquisition Corp., and Progress Energy Inc., for 7 Approval of the Indirect Transfer of Control of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc., P.S.C. 8 Case No. 2011-00124 (Dec. 5, 2011); In the Matter of: The Joint Petition of Kentucky-9 American Water Co., Thames Water Aqua Holdings GmbH, RWE Aktiengesellschaft, 10 Thames Water Aqua U.S. Holdings, Inc., and Am. Water Works Co., Inc. for Approval 11 of a Change in Control of Kentucky-American Water Co., P.S.C. Case No. 2006-00197 12 (Aug. 29, 2006) (holding that reports from the joint applicants' financial advisors and 13 all board of director minutes and information is confidential because competitors 14 could use it to gain unfair competitive advantage).

61. Accordingly, the public disclosure of the information that Big Rivers seeks to protect would provide Big Rivers' competitors with an unfair commercial advantage.

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III. Time Period

62. Big Rivers requests that the Confidential Information relating to the Nucor contract remain confidential indefinitely for the same reasons the Commission granted confidential treatment to the confidential terms in the Nucor contract for an

- 1 indefinite period of time in its January 22, 2020, and January 27, 2020 Orders in
- 2 Case No. 2019-00365, and the March 17, 2020 Order entered in this proceeding.
- 3 63. Big Rivers requests that the Confidential Information relating to the
- 4 KyMEA contract remain confidential indefinitely for the same reasons the
- 5 Commission granted confidential treatment to the confidential terms in the KyMEA
- 6 contract for an indefinite period of time in its January 2, 2019 Order in Case No.
- 7 2016-00306.
- 8 64. Big Rivers requests that the Confidential Information relating to the
- 9 Nebraska Contracts remain confidential indefinitely for the same reasons the
- 10 Commission granted confidential treatment to the confidential terms in the Nebraska
- 11 Contracts for an indefinite period of time in its September 10, 2014 Order in Case No.
- 12 2014-00134.
- 13 65. Big Rivers requests that the Confidential Information relating to the
- 14 Aleris contract remain confidential indefinitely for the same reasons the Commission
- 15 granted confidential treatment to the confidential terms in the Aleris contract for an
- indefinite period of time in its June 11, 2019 Order in Case No. 2016-00117.
- 17 66. Big Rivers requests that the Confidential Information consisting of the
- 18 individual customer usage and individual customer/counter-party names remain
- 19 confidential indefinitely because these customers operate in competitive markets and
- 20 disclosure of such information could cause them an economic disadvantage, as their
- 21 competitors would have access to these customers' costs. Additionally, public
- 22 disclosure of such information could constitute an invasion of personal privacy. See,

- 1 e.g., In the Matter of: Riverside Generating Company, LLC v. Kentucky Power
- 2 Company, Order, P.S.C. Case No. 2017-00472 (May 16, 2019) (granting confidential
- 3 treatment to customer specific information relating to purchases and transmission of
- 4 electricity for an indefinite period); In the Matter of: Sanctuary Church v. Louisville
- 5 Gas and Electric Company, Order, P.S.C. Case No. 2018-00181 (January 8, 2019)
- 6 (granting confidential treatment for an indefinite period to detailed account and
- 7 usage information of a non-party).
- 8 67. Big Rivers requests that the remainder of the Confidential Information
- 9 remain confidential for a period of five (5) years from the date of this motion, at which
- 10 time the Confidential Information should be sufficiently outdated so that it could not
- be used to competitively disadvantage Big Rivers. 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(2)(a)(2).

12 IV. Conclusion

- 13 68. Based on the foregoing, the Confidential Information is entitled to
- 14 confidential protection. If the Commission disagrees, then the Commission should
- 15 hold an evidentiary hearing to protect Big Rivers' due process rights and to supply
- 16 the Commission with a complete record to enable it to reach a decision with regard to
- this matter. See Util. Reg. Comm'n v. Ky. Water Serv. Co., Inc., 642 S.W.2d 591 (Ky.
- 18 App. 1982).
- 19 WHEREFORE, Big Rivers respectfully requests that the Commission classify
- and protect as confidential the Confidential Information.

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of the emergency pursuant to the Commission's Orders in Case No. 2020-00085, and
the electronic version of the filing has been transmitted to the Commission. A copy of
this filing has been served electronically on all parties of record for whom an email
address is given in the online Service List for this proceeding, and there are currently
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