

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY

In the Matter of:

Electronic Application Of Kentucky Power)
Company For A Certificate of Public)
Convenience And Necessity Authorizing) Case No. 2021-00194
The Applicant To Apply For And Obtain A)
Franchise From The City Of Ashland)
In Boyd County, Kentucky)

APPLICATION

Kentucky Power Company applies to the Public Service Commission of Kentucky pursuant to KRS 278.020(4) and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 15(1) for an Order **to be issued on or before June 1, 2021** for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing the Company to apply for and obtain a franchise to use the streets and rights-of-way of the City of Ashland, located in Boyd County, Kentucky, for the provision of retail electric service, and in support thereof states:

APPLICANT

1. Kentucky Power was incorporated in 1919 under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and is in good standing in the Commonwealth.¹ The Company's mailing address is 1645 Winchester Avenue, Ashland, Kentucky 41101. Its electronic mail address is kentucky_regulatory_services@aep.com. Kentucky Power is engaged in the generation, purchase, transmission, distribution and sale of electric power.

¹ A certified copy of the Company's Articles of Incorporation and all amendments thereto was attached to the Joint Application in *In the Matter Of: The Joint Application Of Kentucky Power Company, American Electric Power Company, Inc. And Central And South West Corporation Regarding A Proposed Merger*, P.S.C. Case No. 99-149. The Company's May 5, 2021 Certificate of Existence is attached as **EXHIBIT 1**.

2. The Company serves approximately 165,000 retail customers in the following 20 counties of eastern Kentucky: Boyd, Breathitt, Carter, Clay, Elliott, Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Lawrence, Leslie, Letcher, Lewis, Magoffin, Martin, Morgan, Owsley, Perry, Pike, and Rowan. In addition, the Company also supplies electric power at wholesale to other utilities and municipalities in Kentucky for resale. Kentucky Power is a utility as that term is defined at KRS 278.010.

Public Convenience And Necessity

3. The Company currently is rendering, and for a number of years has been rendering, retail electric service in and to the City of Ashland in Boyd County, Kentucky.

4. The provision of retail electric service in and to the City of Ashland requires that Kentucky Power place its facilities on, under, above, and along the streets, alleys, public grounds, and rights of way, or otherwise make use of the streets, alleys, public grounds, and rights of way, of the City of Ashland.

5. The public convenience and necessity requires that Kentucky Power continue to provide retail electric service to and in the City of Ashland. The City of Ashland lies within the certified territory of Kentucky Power, as that term is defined in Chapter 278 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, and such as Kentucky Power possesses the exclusive right to provide retail electric service in and to the City of Ashland. KRS 278.018(1).

6. Kentucky Power's existing franchise to place its facilities on, under, above, and along the streets, alleys, public grounds, and rights of way, or otherwise make use of the streets,

alleys, public grounds, and rights of way, of the City of Ashland for the purpose of providing retail electric service expires July 24, 2021.

7. The Company desires to bid for a franchise to use the streets, alleys, public grounds, and rights of way of the City of Ashland for the provision of retail electric service to and in the City of Ashland. Kentucky Power respectfully requests the Commission issue its Order on or before June 1, 2021 granting the Company a certificate of public convenience and necessity to bid for the required franchise to provide sufficient time for the City of Ashland, Kentucky to act to grant the franchise before July 24, 2021.

8. If successful in obtaining a franchise from the City of Ashland, Kentucky Power will file a copy of the franchise with the Commission using the Commission's electronic tariff filing system.

Communications

9. Kentucky Power respectfully requests that communications in this matter be delivered to:

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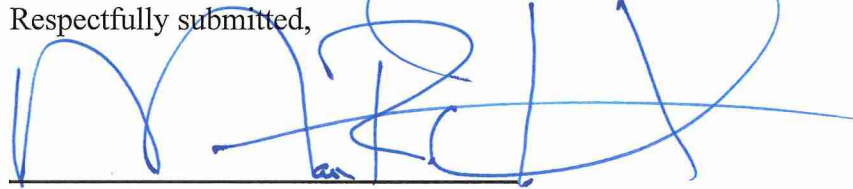
Kentucky Power and the persons indicated above possess the facilities to receive electronic transmissions. Kentucky Power waives service by United States mail.

Wherefore Kentucky Power Company respectfully requests that the Public Service Commission of Kentucky issue an Order:

(a) Granting the Company a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing Kentucky Power to bid upon and obtain a franchise from the Ashland, Boyd County, Kentucky to use the streets, alleys, public grounds and rights of way to provide retail electric service in the city; and

(b) Granting the Company all further relief to which it may appear entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT 1

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Certificate of Existence

I, Michael G. Adams, Secretary of State of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby certify that according to the records in the Office of the Secretary of State,

KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY

is a corporation duly incorporated and existing under KRS Chapter 271B, whose date of incorporation is July 21, 1919 and whose period of duration is perpetual.

I further certify that all fees and penalties owed to the Secretary of State have been paid; that articles of dissolution have not been filed; and that the most recent annual report required by KRS 271B.16-220 has been delivered to the Secretary of State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 5th day of May, 2021.

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