COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF EAST KENTUCKY)
POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR APPROVAL)
TO AMEND ITS ENVIRONMENTAL)
COMPLIANCE PLAN AND RECOVER COSTS)
PURSUANT TO ITS ENVIRONMENTAL)
SURCHARGE, AND FOR THE ISSUANCE OF)
CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE)
AND NECESSITY AND OTHER RELIEF)

NOTICE OF FILING

Comes now East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc., ("EKPC"), by counsel, and hereby gives notice of filing a letter sent to the Executive Director in connection with this matter. A copy of the letter is attached to this Notice.

Done this 24th day of August, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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CASE NO. 2023-00177

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that foregoing was submitted electronically to the Commission on August 24, 2023 and that there are no parties that have been excused from electronic filing. Pursuant to prior Commission orders, no paper copies of this filing will be submitted.

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August 24, 2023

VIA EMAIL

Ms. Linda Bridwell, P.E. **Executive Director** Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, KY 40601

RE: Use of Consultant(s) Pursuant to KRS 278.183(4)

Dear Ms. Bridwell:

On behalf of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. ("EKPC"), please be advised that we intend to file responses to the Commission's First Set of Information Requests in Case No. 2023-00177, on or before August 29, 2023, as directed in the Commission's July 31, 2023 procedural schedule. EKPC anticipates that a portion of the information to be filed will be confidential, proprietary and subject to the copyright protections afforded to third parties under federal and state law. As such, we will be filing a motion for confidential treatment with our filing.

As you know, the Commission has the ability under the authority of KRS 278.183(4) to employ "competent, qualified independent consultants to assist the commission in its review of the utility's plan of compliance." EKPC respectfully requests the Commission to advise whether it has, or intends to, employ such a consultant in Case No. 2023-00177. If so, EKPC believes that it would be necessary and advisable for the consultant to enter into a confidentiality agreement with regard to any confidential information provided in EKPC's responses to the Commission Staff's First Set of Information Requests and any subsequent confidential information filed in this proceeding prior to receiving or reviewing the information. We would be happy to provide a draft of such an agreement directly to the consultant.

Given the short timeframe associated with EKPC filing responses to information requests, please let us know as quickly as possible whether a consultant will be participating in this case and whom we should contact regarding entering into a suitable confidentiality agreement. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely, L'Ally Her L. Allyson Honaker