## EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. CASE NO. 2024-00370 POST-HEARING REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

## JOINT INTERVENOR'S REQUEST DATED APRIL 25, 2025 REQUEST 5 RESPONSIBLE PARTY: Denise Foster-Cronin

**<u>Request 5.</u>** Please refer to HVT April 21 at 10:18:00 to 10:20:00 and April 22 13:39:40 to 13:48:00, and provide:

a. any notice, letter, or other documentation from PJM to EKPC regarding the potential for \$50 million in transmission project savings if the interconnection injection rights of Cooper 1 are deactivated or otherwise transferred to the proposed Cooper CCGT project;

b. an update on the status of EKPC's applications to PJM under the Reliability Resource Initiative (RRI). Please continue to update the response to this request until the docket in this case is closed and removed from the Public Service Commission (PSC)'s docket; and

c. an itemized accounting of all penalties or payments to and rewards, bonuses, or payments from PJM related to performance assessment intervals (PAIs), and any insurance payments to EKPC related to PAIs.

## Response 5.

a. At the April 22, 2024 hearing, Denise Foster Cronin provided explanation for the reference to the \$50 million savings if the Capacity Interconnection Rights of Cooper Unit 1 were to be transferred to the proposed Cooper CCGT project. As stated during the hearing, there is no notice, letter, or document from PJM. PJM explained the process for applying to utilize Cooper Unit 1's Capacity Interconnection Rights for the proposed Cooper CCGT project. Should the proposed Cooper CCGT project be selected to be included in PJM's Reliability Resource Initiative, PJM ultimately will determine what transmission reinforcements will be needed to support the injection and recognizing the benefit of applying the transmission capability PJM reserves for Cooper Unit 1's power injection for the Cooper CCGT project. EKPC's transmission planners estimate that the cost savings would be approximately \$50 million.

b. PJM provided an update to stakeholders at its April 24, 2025 Interconnection Process Subcommittee meeting saying it anticipates completing the review of all applications on or before May 2, 2025. At that time, PJM will notify project applicants whether their project is accepted or withdrawn from the RRI study process.

c. There is only one Performance Assessment Interval (PAI) event impacting EKPC. Operations during the December 2022 Winter Storm Elliott resulted in both penalties for nonperformance and bonus payments for overperformance for all types of resources across the PJM region. Since this event, significant changes were made to the "trigger" for a PAI event. Notably, PJM must both be short of operating reserves and have invoked a significant Emergency Procedures action to trigger the assessment of resource performance to determine whether penalties are merited. This change narrowed the risk of future PAI events. PJM also will assess whether units provided more energy or demand response than their capacity obligation commitment. PJM may only disburse as bonus payments those funds received in collecting penalties. Refer to EKPC's response to Commission Staff's Post-Hearing Request for Information, Item 7 for information regarding EKPC's payment obligation for the PAI events experienced due to Winter Storm Elliott.

## May 5, 2025 Update

Please see the Supplemental Response to Commission Staff's Post-Hearing Request for Information, Item 9.