COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION)	
OF SOUTH KENTUCKY RURAL)	CASE NO.
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE)	2024-00402
CORPORATIONFOR A GENERAL)	
ADJUSTMENT OF RATES)	

MOTION FOR DEVIATION

Comes now South Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("South Kentucky"), by counsel, respectfully requests the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 22, and other applicable law to grant a deviation of certain portions of the notice requirement in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2). Respectfully, South Kentucky states as follows:

1. On February 3, 2025, South Kentucky filed an application requesting an adjustment of rates. On April 23, 2025, the Commission entered an order setting a Formal Hearing in this matter on July 17, 2025.

2. 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2) requires a utility to provide notice of a hearing either by publication in a newspaper or by mailing notice to customers.¹ If the notice of the hearing is provided by newspaper publication, the notice must be published no less than seven (7) days and no more than twenty-one days (21).²

¹ 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b)(2) and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b)(3).

² 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b)(2).

3. South Kentucky has the opportunity to publish notice of the July 17, 2025 Hearing in the July issue of *Kentucky Living* magazine. This will be mailed to members on, or about, July 1, 2025. Due to the length of time between the date the hearing was scheduled and the hearing date, South Kentucky also has the ability to coordinate with *Kentucky Living* for the July 2025 edition to be provided to all customers of South Kentucky, including those members that normally opt-out of receiving the magazine. A copy of the notice that will be provided to *Kentucky Living* is attached as Appendix A to this motion.

4. 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(a)(1) requires that a utility bear the cost of publication of the notice of a hearing. While rate case expense recovery is at the discretion of the Commission, it is typically for utilities to be allowed to recover the cost of publication of notice. In this case, South Kentucky has the opportunity to publish notice in *Kentucky Living*. South Kentucky expects significant cost savings for publication in *Kentucky Living* as opposed to the multiple newspapers that serve South Kentucky's service area.

6. South Kentucky will supplement the record at the time of publication with a copy of the notice and publisher's affidavit.

WHEREFORE, South Kentucky respectfully requests the Commission grant a deviation of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2) pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 22 and permit South Kentucky to publish notice of the July 17, 2025 Formal Hearing by publication in *Kentucky Living*.

Dated this 6th day of May, 2025.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Commission on May 6, 2025 and that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding. Pursuant to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085 no paper copies of this filing will be made.

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ATTACHMENT A

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") will conduct a hearing at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Monday, July 17, 2025, in the Richard Raff Hearing Room 1 at the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40602, for the purposes of cross-examination of witnesses of South Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("South Kentucky") in Case No. 2024-00402, regarding South Kentucky's Application for a PSC rate increase. This notice is provided in compliance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b). This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov. Public comments may be made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to make oral public comments may do so by following the instructions listed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.