

July 11, 2025

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Linda C. Bridwell Executive Director Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard, P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

Re: In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Nuclear Energy, Generation, Storage, and Related Matters - Case No. 2025-00186

Dear Ms. Bridwell:

Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("*Big Rivers*") is electronically filing this letter, which constitutes the Read1st file required by 807 KAR 5:001 Section 8(5). The purpose of this letter is to comply with Ordering Paragraph Number Six (6) of the Commission's order dated June 16, 2025, in the above referenced matter.

Big Rivers, in concurrence with its Member Owners, offers the following areas as topics to discuss at the informal conference:

- 1) How the high cost of site evaluation and the uncertainty of cost recovery if the facility is not constructed are potential hurdles to the siting and construction of future nuclear facilities. Despite funding alternatives, including grant programs or cost sharing, a utility currently incurs considerable risk of potentially unrecovered costs and expended resources just in this initial stage of development.
- 2) Potential difficulty employing the required technical expertise to operate a nuclear power plant.
- 3) Anticipated opposition or concerns of local residents and landowners to hosting a nuclear power plant.

Our Generating Stations & Office Locations: Headquarters • Energy Transmission & Substation • Sebree Station • Wilson Station



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The Commission has excused no parties to this proceeding from its electronic filing procedures. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/ Senthia Santana

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