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Re: East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. - Petition for Confidential Treatment received
February 11, 2009 - PSC Reference – Case No. 2008-00519

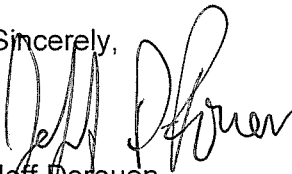
Dear Mr. Cowden:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Treatment you filed on February 11, 2009 on behalf of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential under Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.870 et. seq. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as certain information contained in East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.'s Responses to Data Request Nos. 24(a) and 25(b) of the Commission's Order Appendix B dated January 23, 2009, and more particularly described as identification of coal vendors and ranking proposals, bids submitted during FAC period, tabulation sheets relating to coal pricing and usage volume, evaluation procedures and its coal acquisition strategies.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, section 7, the Commission has determined that the information you seek to keep confidential is of a proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to your client's competitors. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential meets the criteria for confidential protection and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.

If the information becomes publically available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. is required by Section 8(9)(a) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,



Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record