COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF ITS ELECTRIC RATES ) CASE NO. 2014-00371

ORDER

On January 9, 2015, Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") filed a petition requesting a deviation from the notice requirements of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 17(2)(b)(3), and 807 5:011, Section 8(2)(b)(3). Those regulations require a utility to publish notice of a general rate adjustment once a week for three consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made no later than the date the application is submitted to the Commission. KU states that it filed its rate application for a general adjustment of its electric rates on November 26, 2014. KU further states that on November 5, 2014, it delivered to the Kentucky Press Service, Inc. a notice of the filing of its application for publication in newspapers in KU's service area in a manner consistent with the requirements as set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 17(2)(b)(3), and 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(2)(b)(3). KU noted that all of the newspapers in its service area published the notice correctly except for the Russell Springs Times Journal, which failed to publish the notice correctly for three consecutive weeks. Russell Springs Times Journal published the first two notices as directed on November 20 and November 26, 2014, but failed to publish the third notice until December 11, 2014, rather than on December 4, 2014, as directed.
KU seeks permission to deviate from the notice requirements of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 17(2)(b)(3), and 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(2)(b)(3). KU contends that it has substantially complied with the notice regulations in that notice was published in each county three times and the notice was further supplemented by posting at KU's offices and on its website. Lastly, KU points out that it included a general statement explaining the application in this case with bills for all Kentucky retail customers during the course of their regular monthly billing cycle beginning on November 26, 2014.

Having reviewed the pleading and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that KU has demonstrated good cause to permit a deviation from the notice requirement.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that KU's petition to deviate from the Commission's notice requirements set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section, 17(2)(b)(3), and 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(2)(b)(3), is granted.

By the Commission

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