

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF MEADE COUNTY RURAL)	CASE NO.
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION)	2014-00414
FOR APPROVAL OF A PREPAY METERING)	
TARIFF)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S INITIAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO MEADE COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION

Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("Meade"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an original in paper medium and an electronic version of the following information. The information requested herein is due within 14 days of the date of this request. Responses to requests for information in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Meade shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which

Meade fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Meade shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a response containing personal information, Meade shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the response so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to the Application, Exhibit A, page 1; Exhibit C, Testimony of Mary Elizabeth Purvis (“Purvis Testimony”), page 4; and Exhibit D, page 2.

- a. Confirm that the \$0.1667/day Prepay Service Fee and the \$20.00 minimum purchase amount shown on page 2 of Exhibit D are not the amounts proposed by Meade.

- b. Exhibit A, page 1, shows a Prepay Service Fee of \$0.3167/day, and the Purvis Testimony, page 4, states that the total monthly rate per participant is proposed to be \$9.50. State whether Meade is proposing to set out its tariff rate on a monthly or daily basis

2. Refer to the Application, Purvis Testimony, page 2, the response to Q7; and to Exhibit E.

a. Explain whether Meade's customers have expressed interest in a prepay metering program.

b. State what percentage of eligible Rate Schedule 1 customers is represented by the 865 members estimated to use the program.

3. Refer to the Application, Purvis Testimony, page 5, response to Q10.

a. Explain whether an additional transaction fee will be charged if a prepay customer makes more than four deposits into his or her account per month.

b. If the answer is no, state how the embedded rate of \$1.50 per transaction encourages consumers to make as large a prepayment as possible, considering that Meade is not proposing separate or additional transaction fees.

c. State whether Meade considered removing the transactions fees from the Prepay Service Fee in order to make it more attractive to customers, and charging separate processing fees to encourage customers to make as large a prepayment as feasible. If not, explain why.



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