COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF CUMBERLAND VALLEY)ELECTRIC, INC. FOR A GENERAL)ADJUSTMENT OF RATES)2016-00169

<u>ORDER</u>

On June 6, 2016, Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc. ("Cumberland Valley") submitted an application for an adjustment of electric rates based on a historical test period. The application proposed that the new rates become effective on July 8, 2016.

By letter dated June 10, 2016, the Commission notified Cumberland Valley that its rate application was rejected as deficient. In response to the Commission's rejection letter, Cumberland Valley filed an amended application on June 23, 2016, that cured the deficiencies. The amended application was deemed filed as of June 23, 2016. In the amended application, Cumberland Valley proposed that the new rates become effective on July 25, 2016.

Based on a review of Cumberland Valley's amended rate application, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that the investigation cannot be concluded by July 25, 2016. Therefore, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission will suspend the effective date of the proposed rates for five months, up to and including December 24, 2016.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Cumberland Valley's rates are suspended for five months from July 25, 2016, up to and including December 24, 2016.

2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, shall be followed.

3. a. Responses to requests for information in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to questions related to the information provided, with an original and five copies in paper medium and an electronic version to the Commission.

b. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or an 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.

c. Any party 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.

d. For any request to which a party fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

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e. When filing a paper containing personal information, Cumberland Valley shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

4. Any party filing testimony shall file in accordance with the electronic filing procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, and file one original and five copies in paper medium with the Commission. The paper copy should be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed.

5. Any person who submits a motion to intervene after July 18, 2016, and upon a showing of good cause is granted full intervention, shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

6. Cumberland Valley shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set out in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2). At the time publication is requested, Cumberland Valley shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

7. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.

8. Pursuant to KRS 278.360 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(9), a digital video transcript shall be made of the hearing.

9. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

10. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

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By the Commission

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ATTEST:

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Acting Executive Director

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APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2016-00169 DATED JUL 1 1 2016

Requests for intervention shall be filed no later than07/18/2016
Initial requests for information to Cumberland Valley shall be filed no later than07/27/2016
Cumberland Valley shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than08/10/2016
Supplemental requests for information to Cumberland Valley shall be filed no later than08/24/2016
Cumberland Valley shall file responses to supplemental requests for information no later than09/08/2016
Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared form, shall be filed no later than09/22/2016
All requests for information to Intervenors shall be filed no later than
Intervenors shall file responses to requests for information no later than10/14/2016
Cumberland Valley shall file, in verified form, its rebuttal testimony no later than
Last day for Cumberland Valley to publish notice of hearingto be scheduled
Public Hearing to be held in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses of Cumberland Valley and Intervenors
Simultaneous Briefs, if anyto be scheduled

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