In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY FOR (1) A GENERAL ADJUSTMENT OF ITS RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE; (2) AN ORDER APPROVING ITS 2017 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE PLAN; (3) AN ORDER APPROVING ITS TARIFFS AND RIDERS; (4) AN ORDER APPROVING ACCOUNTING PRACTICES TO ESTABLISH REGULATORY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES; AND (5) AN ORDER GRANTING ALL OTHER REQUIRED APPROVALS AND RELIEF

CASE NO. 2017-00179

ORDER

This matter arises from Kentucky Power Company's ("Kentucky Power") request to deviate for certain filing requirements, and on Kentucky Power's and Kentucky School Boards Association's ("KSBA") respective motions to strike the Direct Settlement Testimony of Kevin Higgins ("Higgins's Settlement Testimony") filed by Kentucky Commercial Utility Customers, Inc.'s ("KCUC"). After considering the oral arguments of Kentucky Power, KSBA, and KCUC, the Commission entered rulings from the bench on the motions at the December 6, 2017 hearing in this matter.

On December 4, 2017, Kentucky Power filed a motion requesting leave to deviate from a requirement to file an original and six copies in paper medium of all documents filed electronically in this case, as provided for in the Commission's April 27, 2017 Order. As a basis for this request, Kentucky Power stated that the attachment to Kentucky Power's third supplemental response to the Attorney General's First Request
for information ("Attorney General’s First Request"), Item 42, consists of over 2,500 pages, and therefore is too voluminous to produce in paper form.

Having reviewed the motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission, ruling from the bench at the December 6, 2017 hearing, found that Kentucky Power established good cause to deviate from the April 27, 2017 Order and granted Kentucky Power’s motion to deviate.

On December 5, 2017, Kentucky Power and KSBA filed their respective motions to strike Higgins’s Settlement Testimony. As a basis for Kentucky Power’s motion, it asserted that Mr. Higgins’s Settlement Testimony proposed a different methodology for revenue allocation than that in his previously filed direct testimony. Kentucky Power further asserted that the procedural schedule established for this matter does not provide for such a filing, and that KCUC failed to establish good cause to permit the filing outside the procedural schedule. Similarly, KSBA asserted as a basis for its motion that KCUC was afforded multiple opportunities to address the rate structure pursuant to the procedural schedule, and that KCUC improperly filed additional testimony outside the established procedural schedule.

Having reviewed the motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission, ruling from the bench at the December 6, 2017 hearing, denied Kentucky Power’s and KSBA’s respective motions to strike Higgins’s Settlement Testimony, finding that nothing in the procedural schedule would permit or deny any party to file testimony in support of or in opposition to the proposed settlement agreement. The Commission further found that Mr. Higgins is likely to testify to the same information in
his Settlement Testimony as when he testifies as a witness at the hearing, and that other parties will have the opportunity to cross-examine Mr. Higgins.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Kentucky Power’s motion to deviate is granted.
2. Kentucky Power’s motion to strike Higgins’s Settlement Testimony is denied.
3. KSBA’s motion to strike Higgins’s Settlement Testimony is denied.

By the Commission

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