COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

ORDER

On April 6, 2018, Kentucky Power Company ("Kentucky Power") filed a motion pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c) and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, requesting that the Commission grant confidential protection to portions of Kentucky Power's Fixed Resource Requirement/Reliability Pricing Model ("FRR/RPM") election analysis for a period ending June 1, 2018. The designated information includes the analyses and FRR/RPM elections made by Kentucky Power and other American Electric Power Company, Inc. ("AEP") operating companies that operate in the PJM Interconnection LLC ("PJM") Base Residual Auction of the PJM 2021/2022 year.

In support of its petition, Kentucky Power states that premature disclosure of the FRR/RPM election analysis would unfairly prejudice Kentucky Power, its customers, and AEP operating companies by permitting competitors to change their bidding strategy in response to the designated material. Kentucky Power states that the
FRR/RPM election analysis will become publicly available after June 1, 2018, and thus the need for confidential protection will no longer exist after that date.

Having carefully considered the petition and the materials at issue, the Commission finds that the designated materials contained in the FRR/RPM election analysis are records generally recognized as confidential or proprietary, which, if openly disclosed, would permit an unfair commercial advantage to competitors. Therefore, the designated materials meet the criteria for confidential treatment and are exempted from public disclosure pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c) and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Kentucky Power's motion for confidential protection for the FRR/RPM election analysis is granted.

2. The designated materials shall not be placed in the public record or made available for public inspection for a period ending on June 1, 2018, or until further Orders of this Commission.

3. Use of the designated materials in any Commission proceeding shall be in compliance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(9).

4. Kentucky Power shall inform the Commission if the designated materials become publicly available or no longer qualify for confidential treatment.

5. If a non-party to this proceeding requests to inspect materials granted confidential treatment by this Order and the period during which the materials have been granted confidential treatment has not run, Kentucky Power shall have 20 days from receipt of written notice of the request to demonstrate that the materials still fall within the exclusions from disclosure requirements established in KRS 61.878. If
Kentucky Power is unable to make such demonstration, the requested materials shall be made available for inspection. Otherwise, the Commission shall deny the request for inspection.

6. The Commission shall not make the requested materials available for inspection for 20 days following an Order finding that the materials no longer qualify for confidential treatment in order to allow Kentucky Power to seek a remedy afforded by law.
By the Commission

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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