

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC)	
CORPORATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)	
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO)	CASE NO.
CONSTRUCT AND ACQUIRE A 345 KV)	2018-00004
TRANSMISSION LINE IN HANCOCK COUNTY,)	
KENTUCKY)	

ORDER

The matter is before the Commission upon a motion filed by Republic Transmission, LLC (“Republic”) seeking intervention in the instant matter. In support of its request to intervene, Republic states that it is owned by an affiliate of LS Power Associates, L.P.,¹ and Hoosier Energy Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.² Republic states that, as part of a competitive bidding process, it was selected by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (“MISO”) to develop, construct, own, operate, and maintain a new single circuit 345 kilovolt (“kV”) transmission line between the existing Duff Substation, located in Dubois County, Indiana, and the existing Coleman Extra High Voltage Substation, located in Hancock County, Kentucky. Republic asserts that the transmission project was identified by MISO to address significant transmission congestion in southern Indiana and Kentucky, particularly around the Coleman

¹ L.S. Power Associates, L.P., is a development, investment, and operating company focused on power generation, electric transmission, and energy infrastructure. See, Motion for Leave to Intervene by Republic Transmission, LLC at ¶ 1.

² Hoosier Energy Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. is an Indiana member-owned, not-for-profit electric generation and transmission cooperative.

construction of the MISO transmission project. Republic states that once the MISO transmission project is completed, energized, and functional control has been obtained by MISO, Big Rivers will acquire the portion of the proposed transmission that is located within Kentucky pursuant to the terms of an Asset Purchase Agreement.

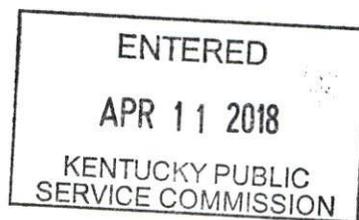
Republic contends it has an interest in the service provided by Big Rivers to its customers in that Republic will be responsible for coordinating the construction of the proposed MISO transmission project, including the portion of transmission facilities located in Kentucky that will ultimately be owned, operated, and maintained by Big Rivers. Because it is the entity responsible for constructing the proposed transmission line project, Republic maintains it has a special interest in this proceeding that is not otherwise adequately represented. Lastly, Republic states it will be able to provide information with respect to the entirety of the transmission line project, including the Indiana portion, as well as provide information relating to the MISO processes that identified the need for this transmission line project and the award of the project to Republic.

Having reviewed the pleading and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that Republic's intervention is likely to present issues and develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. The Commission further finds that Republic should be granted full rights of a party in this proceeding.

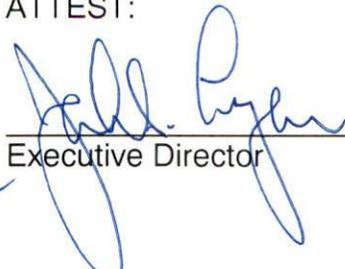
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The motion of Republic to intervene is granted.
2. Republic shall be entitled to the full rights of a party and shall be served with the Commission's Orders and with filed testimony, exhibits, pleadings, correspondence, and all other documents submitted by parties after the date of this Order.
3. Republic shall comply with all provisions of the Commission's regulations, 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, related to the service and filing of documents.
4. Republic shall adhere to the procedural schedule set forth in the Commission's April 5, 2018 Order and as amended by subsequent Orders.
5. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8(9), within seven days of entry of this Order, Republic shall file a written statement with the Commission that:
 - a. Certifies that it, or its agent, possesses the facilities to receive electronic transmissions; and
 - b. Sets forth the electronic mail address to which all electronic notices and messages related to this proceeding should be served.

By the Commission



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