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RE: Case No. **2018-00004**

The Commission staff has reviewed the application in the above case and finds that it meets the minimum filing requirements and has been accepted for filing.

Enclosed please find a stamped filed copy of the first page of your filing. This case has been docketed and will be processed as expeditiously as possible.

If you need further assistance, please contact my staff at 502-564-3940.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gwen R. Pinson".

Gwen R. Pinson
Executive Director

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In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC)
CORPORATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)
TO CONSTRUCT AND ACQUIRE A 345 KV)
TRANSMISSION LINE IN HANCOCK)
COUNTY, KENTUCKY)

Case No.
2018-00004

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APPLICATION

Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") files this application ("Application") pursuant to KRS 278.020 and 807 KAR 5:120, seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct a 345 kilovolt ("kV") transmission line in Hancock County, Kentucky. In support of this Application, Big Rivers states as follows:

1. The applicant, Big Rivers, is a rural electric cooperative corporation organized pursuant to KRS Chapter 279. Its address is P.O. Box 24, 201 Third Street, Henderson, Kentucky 42419. Big Rivers' address for electronic mail service is regulatory@bigrivers.com. 807 KAR 5:120, Section 2(1)(a); 807 KAR 5:001, Section 14(1).

2. Big Rivers owns generating assets and purchases, transmits and sells electricity at wholesale. Its principal purpose is to provide the wholesale electricity requirements of its three distribution cooperative member/owners: Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation, Kenergy Corp. ("Kenergy"), and Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (collectively, the "Members"). The distribution cooperatives in turn provide retail electric service to approximately 116,000 consumer/retail members located in 22 western Kentucky counties: Ballard, Breckenridge,

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