

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF TAYLOR)	
COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE)	CASE NO.
CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL TO)	2020-00278
IMPLEMENT A PREPAY METERING PROGRAM)	

ORDER

On August 20, 2020, Taylor County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (Taylor County RECC) filed an application with the Commission seeking approval of a prepay metering tariff; a deviation from 807 KAR 5:006, Section 14, which requires a written notice of service termination for nonpayment; and a deviation from 807 KAR 5:006, Section 6, which requires a paper bill to be mailed to members.

The Commission finds that a procedural schedule should be established to review the reasonableness of the proposed tariff and the requested deviations. The procedural schedule is attached as an Appendix to this Order and is incorporated herein.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed.
2. The proposed “Pay-As-You-Go (Prepay) Residential Rider” filed on August 20, 2020, by Taylor County RECC did not contain an effective date. Therefore, there is no tariff to suspend during the Commission’s investigation of this matter.
3. a. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed, with the original and an electronic version to the Commission.

Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

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

e. Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

f. A party filing a paper containing personal information 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 a paper with the Commission shall file an electronic copy in accordance with the electronic filing procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, and shall also file the original in paper medium and an electronic version. The copy in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

5. As set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11)(a), a person requesting permissive intervention in a Commission proceeding is required to demonstrate either (1) a special interest in the proceeding which is not adequately represented in the case, or (2) that the person requesting permissive intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. Further, KRS 278.040(2) requires that a person seeking intervention must have an interest in the rates or service of a utility, as those are the only matters that are subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Therefore, any person requesting to intervene in a Commission proceeding must state with specificity the person's special interest that is not otherwise adequately represented, or the issues and facts that the person will present that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter. A mere recitation of the quantity of utility service consumed by the movant or a general statement regarding a potential impact of possible modification of rates will not be deemed sufficient to establish a special interest. In addition, any motion to intervene filed after September 30, 2020, shall also show good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

6. The Commission directs the parties to the Commission's March 16, 2020 and March 24, 2020 Orders in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. The Commission expects the original documents to be filed with the Commission within 30 days of the lifting of the current state of emergency.

7. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance. Accordingly, motions for extension of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

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

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC Mar 16, 2020), Order at 5-6. Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC Mar. 24, 2020), Order at 1-3.

By the Commission



ATTEST:



Acting Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2020-00278 DATED SEP 23 2020

All requests for intervention shall be filed
no later than 09/30/2020

All initial requests for information to Taylor County RECC
shall be filed no later than..... 10/07/2020

Taylor County RECC shall file responses to initial
requests for information no later than..... 10/21/2020

All supplemental requests for information to Taylor
County RECC shall be filed no later than.... 11/04/2020

Taylor County RECC shall file responses to supplemental
requests for information no later than..... 11/18/2020

Taylor County RECC or any intervenor shall file either a request for a hearing
or a statement that this case may be submitted for a decision based on the
existing record no later than..... 11/20/2020

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