COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS)	CASE NO.
ELECTRIC CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL TO)	2021-00468
ISSUE EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION

Big Rivers Electric Corporation (BREC), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on February 23, 2022. The Commission directs BREC to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. 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 the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID- 19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

BREC shall make timely amendment to any prior response if BREC obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which BREC fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, BREC shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

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. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, BREC shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

- 1. Refer to the Application, paragraph 5. The estimated costs for the 2020 ECP Project 12 is \$111.77 million (excluding capitalized interest). Also refer to the Application, paragraph 7. The estimated costs of the Green Station Conversion is \$45.3 million (excluding capitalized interest). The sum of the two projects is greater than the \$150.0 million request.
 - a. Provide the source of the funds for the \$7.07 million difference.
- b. Provide a detailed list of project expenditures to date and how the expenditure was funded.

- 2. Refer to the Application, paragraph 13a. Provide any update to the anticipated interest rates.
- 3. Refer to the Application, paragraph 15. Provide a detailed list and estimate of transaction costs associated with the proposed indebtedness.
- 4. Refer to the Application, paragraph 18. Provide any updates to the Rural Utilities Service financing, and if there are any updates, if there are any changes to the proposed indebtedness.

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