### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF AN)ALTERNATIVE RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR BLUE)CASE NO.GRASS ENERGY COOPERATIVE)2025-00103CORPORATION PURSUANT TO 807 KAR 5:078)

## <u>ORDER</u>

On May 7, 2025,<sup>1</sup> Blue Grass Energy Cooperative Corporation (Blue Grass Energy) filed an application seeking an alternative rate adjustment pursuant to 807 KAR 5:078.<sup>2</sup> The Commission notes that since the application was deemed filed May 7, 2025, the soonest the new rates could be effective is June 6, 2025.<sup>3</sup>

Under the procedure established in 807 KAR 5:078, the Commission finds that the application meets the standards for the streamlined procedure and should be accepted for filing and processed according to the regulation. As required by 807 KAR 5:078

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Application was tendered on May 1, 2025. A deficiency letter was issued on May 7, 2025, the deficiency was resolved that date, and the application was deemed filed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 807 KAR 5:078 establishes an alternative procedure for rural electric cooperatives to apply for rate adjustments. It was codified in July 2024 as a regulation following a Pilot Program period established in Case No. 2018-00407, *A Review of the Rate Case Procedure for Electric Distribution Cooperatives* (Ky. PSC Dec. 20, 2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 807 KAR 5:011, KRS 278.190 and KRS 278.180.

Section 8(7),<sup>4</sup> the Commission finds that Blue Grass Energy's Annual Reports for 2023<sup>5</sup> and 2024<sup>6</sup> should be incorporated by reference into the record of this proceeding.

The Commission also finds that a procedural schedule should be established for the orderly processing of this case. A procedural schedule is set forth in the Appendix to this Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Blue Grass Energy's application for an alternative rate adjustment pursuant to 807 KAR 5:078 is accepted for filing as of May 7, 2025.

2. The 75-day review period established in 807 KAR 5:078 shall begin as of the issuance date of May 7, 2025.

3. Blue Grass Energy's 2023 and 2024 Annual Reports are incorporated by reference into the record of this proceeding.

4. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix attached to this Order shall be followed.

5. Blue Grass Energy shall respond to all requests for information propounded by Commission Staff, whether identified on the procedural schedule or otherwise, as provided in those requests.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 807 KAR 5:078 Section 8(7): An order accepting the cooperative's application for processing under this administrative regulation shall incorporate into the record the two (2) most recent annual reports of the cooperative on file with the commission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Annual Report of Blue Grass Energy to the Public Service Commission for the Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2023 (2023 Annual Report).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Annual Report of Blue Grass Energy to the Public Service Commission for the Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2024 (2024 Annual Report).

6. 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. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked. The Commission directs the parties to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085<sup>7</sup> regarding filings with the Commission.

7. 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 that 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 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.

8. Any motion to intervene filed after the date established in the procedural schedule attached as an Appendix to this Order shall also show good cause for being

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 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).

untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

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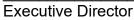
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## APPENDIX

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2025-00103 DATED MAY 14 2025

Last day for intervention requests to be accepted	05/19/2025
All requests for information to Blue Grass Energy shall be filed no later than	05/29/2025
Blue Grass Energy shall file responses to requests for information no later than	06/12/2025
Any written comments regarding Blue Grass Energy's application shall be filed no later than	
This case shall be submitted for a decision on	

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