COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION TO CONSIDER DEVIATION OF REGULATION 807 KAR 5:041, SECTION 7, VOLTAGE SURVEYS AND RECORDS	))))	CASE NO. 2025-00131

O R D E R

On October 30, 2026, Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (Licking Valley RECC) filed a motion for a deviation from 807 KAR 5:041 Section 7 pursuant to an Order previously issued in Case No. 2025-00131.[1]

In support of this request, Licking Valley RECC stated its Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) meters are capable of monitoring systemwide voltage and producing on demand readings.[2] The voltage readings are stored in the database for a minimum of three years and are available for inspection by members and Commission Staff.[3]

Furthermore, Licking Valley RECC stated they will continue to perform all required meter testing consistent with the Commission's regulations, which will ensure the accuracy of the AMI system.[4]

[1] Order (Ky. PSC June 29, 2026), ordering paragraph 2.

[2] Licking Valley RECC's Motion for Deviation (filed Oct. 30, 2026) at 3.

[3] Licking Valley RECC's Motion for Deviation at 3.

[4] Licking Valley RECC's Motion for Deviation at 3.

LEGAL STANDARD

The Commission has exclusive jurisdiction over the regulation of rates and service of utilities in Kentucky.[5] Pursuant to KRS 278.042, the Commission shall prescribe the service adequacy and safety standards for electric utilities, as stated in the Commission's administrative regulations, orders, and in the most recent edition of the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC).[6] In keeping with KRS Chapter 13A, the Commission may adopt reasonable regulations and investigate the methods and practices of utilities to require them to conform to the laws of this state, and to all reasonable rules, regulations and orders of the commission not contrary to law.[7] Accordingly, the Commission adopted 807 KAR 5:041, Section 7, of which sets forth rules regarding voltage survey standards. Additionally, in special cases for good cause shown, the Commission may permit deviations from these rules.[8]

DISCUSSION AND FINDINGS

Having reviewed the motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that Licking Valley RECC's motion should be granted. The Commission believes that the AMI technology installed will allow for Licking Valley RECC to monitor its voltage in the manner contemplated by this deviation. The Division of Inspections shall make the final determination as to compliance with the regulation.

[5] KRS 278.042(2).

[6] KRS 278.042(2).

[7] KRS 278.040(3).

[8] 807 KAR 5:041, Section 22.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Licking Valley RECC's motion for deviation from voltage survey requirements in 807 KAR 5:041, Section 7 is granted.

2. The Division of Inspections shall make the final determination as to compliance with the regulation.

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Entered on this 12th day of November, 2026.

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