## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF EAST	)	
KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR A	)	
GENERAL ADJUSTMENT OF RATES, APPROVAL	)	CASE NO.
OF DEPRECIATION STUDY, AMORTIZATION OF	)	2025-00208
CERTAIN REGULATORY ASSETS, AND OTHER	)	
GENERAL RELIEF	)	

## ORDER

On November 24, 2025, East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. (EKPC), the Attorney General by and through the Office of Rate Intervention (Attorney General), and Nucor Steel Gallatin (Nucor) (collectively, Joint Movants) filed a joint motion to excuse witnesses or allow virtual participation.<sup>1</sup> Joint Movants contemporaneously filed a joint stipulation, settlement agreement, and recommendation with the motion, which purports to provide a settlement of all the issues raised in this proceeding.<sup>2</sup> Joint Movants requested that the majority of witnesses that provided testimony, schedules, or responses to requests for information be excused from the December 8, 2025 hearing due to the settlement agreement between the parties.<sup>3</sup> EKPC requested Anthony S. Campbell, Darrin Adams, Michelle K. Carpenter, Gregory H. Cecil, Denise Foster Cronin, Craig Johnson, Barry Lindeman, Jerry Purvis, Kyle Shadoan, John J. Spanos, Thomas J. Stachnik, Jeffery W. Wernert, Jr., Denver York, and Brad Young to be excused from the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Joint Motion to Excuse Witness or Allow Virtual Participation (Motion) (filed Nov. 24, 2025).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Joint Stipulation, Settlement Agreement and Recommendation (filed Nov. 24, 2025).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Motion at 2.

December 8, 2025 hearing.<sup>4</sup> The Attorney General and Nucor requested joint witnesses Stephen J. Baron, Randy A. Futral, and Lane Kollen be excused from the December 8, 2025 hearing, or, in the alternative, requested they be permitted to testify virtually, if their testimony was necessary.<sup>5</sup> Joint Movants argued that the settlement represented a complete resolution of all issues in the proceeding, and therefore, the excusal of all requested witnesses would not prejudice the Commission nor any other party.<sup>6</sup> On December 3, 2025, the Commission issued an Order partially granting Joint Movants' motion.<sup>7</sup> The Commission did not excuse John Spanos and Jeffrey Wernet but granted them the option to appear virtually. The Commission did not excuse, Stephen J. Baron, Randy A. Futral, and Lane Kollen but granted the Attorney General and Nucor's request for their witnesses to appear virtually. This Order supplements the Commission's December 3, 2025 Order and addresses the remaining requests.

Having considered the record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that the Joint Movants' motion should be granted, in part, and denied, in part. The Commission finds that EKPC's motion to excuse the following witnesses from the December 8, 2025 hearing should be denied: Anthony S. Campbell, Thomas J. Stachnik, Gregory H. Cecil, and Denise Foster Cronin. The Commission further finds that EKPC's motion to excuse the following witnesses from the December 8, 2025 hearing should be granted: Darrin Adams, Michelle K. Carpenter, Craig Johnson, Barry

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Motion at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Motion at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Order (Ky. PSC Dec. 3, 2025).

Lindeman, Jerry Purvis, Kyle Shadoan, Denver York, and Brad Young. The Commission reminds Joint Movants that, while numerous witnesses have been excused from the December 8, 2025 hearing, the witnesses are expected to be available to respond to any post-hearing requests for information.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Joint Movants' motion to excuse witnesses from the December 8, 2025 hearing is granted, in part, and denied, in part.
- 2. Darrin Adams, Michelle K. Carpenter, Craig Johnson, Barry Lindeman, Jerry Purvis, Kyle Shadoan, Denver York, and Brad Young are excused from the December 8, 2025 hearing.
- 3. Anthony S. Campbell, Thomas J. Stachnik, Gregory H. Cecil, and Denise Foster Cronin must appear in person at the December 8, 2025 hearing.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Commissioner

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ATTEST:

**Executive Director** 

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