# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY	)	) ) ) CASE NO. ) 2025-00257
POWER COMPANY FOR (1) A GENERAL	)	
ADJUSTMENT OF ITS RATES FOR ELECTRIC	)	
SERVICE; (2) APPROVAL OF TARIFFS AND	)	
RIDERS; (3) APPROVAL OF CERTAIN	)	
REGULATORY AND ACCOUNTING	)	
TREATMENTS; AND (4) ALL OTHER REQUIRED	)	
APPROVALS AND RELIEF	)	

#### ORDER

On August 29, 2025, Kentucky Power Company (Kentucky Power) filed an application for a general adjustment of rates based on a historical test period and included other related accounting requests and tariff changes. The application proposed the rates become effective on March 1, 2026.

The Commission, on its own motion, finds that a procedural schedule should be established for the orderly processing of this case. The procedural schedule is attached as an Appendix to this Order.

The Commission, on its own motion, hereby schedules an informal technical conference (ITC) on September 30, 2025, at 1 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, to take place in person at the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky to present on the following topics:

1. An overview of the regulatory assets requested in Kentucky Power's application;

- 2. An overview of adjustments via a technical presentation on the financial schedules included with the application;
  - 3. An overview of Kentucky Power's Return on Equity calculations; and
  - 4. An overview of the Depreciation Study.

The Commission finds that any witnesses presenting on the above listed topics should appear at the ITC in person. Commission Staff will contact participants by electronic mail to provide details for intervenors and other non-presenting individuals with the option to remotely attend the conference by video link. All parties that have filed a motion for intervention prior to the ITC may observe the ITC, however participation shall be limited to Kentucky Power Staff and Commission Staff.

Regarding the issue of rate schedule suspension, the Commission notes that pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission may

[A]t any time before the schedule becomes effective, suspend the operation of the schedule and defer the use of the rate, charge, classification, or service, but not for a longer period than five (5) months beyond the time when it would otherwise go into effect if an historical test period is used . . .

Kentucky Power's application established a date of March 1, 2026, that the requested rate proposal would go into effect.<sup>1</sup> Given that the effective date of the proposed rates is March 1, 2026, the Commission finds that a rate suspension is not currently necessary. The Commission anticipates completing this matter prior to the proposed effective date but will suspend the proposed rates prior to the effective date and likely allow them to go into effect subject to refund if such a suspension becomes necessary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Application at 9.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. An ITC is scheduled on September 30, 2025, at 1 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time at the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky.
- 2. Commission Staff shall contact participants in the ITC by electronic mail to provide details for representatives of the intervenors and non-presenting Kentucky Power staff to join the conference by video link.
- 3. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed.
- 4. Kentucky Power shall respond to all requests for information propounded by Commission Staff, whether identified on the procedural schedule or otherwise, as provided in those requests.
- 5. 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>2</sup> regarding filings with the Commission.
- 6. As set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11), a person requesting permissive intervention in a Commission proceeding is required to demonstrate either (1) a special interest in the proceeding that is not otherwise adequately represented in the case, or (2) that intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</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).

Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. 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.

- 7. Any motion to intervene filed after the date established in the procedural schedule 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.
- 8. Witnesses who sponsor schedules, testimony, or responses to requests for information shall participate in person at any hearing scheduled in this matter.
- 9. Kentucky Power shall file a witness list at least ten days prior to any hearing date scheduled in this matter.
- 10. Witnesses who sponsor schedules, testimony, or responses to requests for information shall participate in person at any hearing scheduled in this matter.
- 11. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance. Accordingly, motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.
- 12. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions to substitute witnesses or excuse witnesses from testifying at Commission hearings. Accordingly, motions to substitute witnesses or excuse a witness from testifying at a Commission

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Commissioner

Commissioner

ATTEST:

**Executive Director** 

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### APPENDIX

## APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2025-00257 DATED SEP 11 2025

Last day for intervention requests to be accepted
All initial requests for information to Kentucky Power shall be filed no later than
Informal Technical Conference (ITC)09/30/2025
Kentucky Power shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than
All supplemental requests for information to Kentucky Power shall be filed no later than
Kentucky Power shall file responses to supplemental requests for information no later than
Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared form shall be filed no later than
All requests for information to intervenors shall be filed no later than
Intervenors shall file responses to requests for information no later than
Kentucky Power shall file, in verified form, its rebuttal testimony no later than
Last day for Kentucky Power to publish notice of hearing
Public hearing to be held in the Richard Raff Hearing Room at the offices of the Public Service Commission at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses of Kentucky Power and intervenors
Post-hearing briefs, if anyTo be scheduled

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