

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN ELECTRONIC EXAMINATION OF THE)
APPLICATION OF THE FUEL ADJUSTMENT) CASE NO.
CLAUSE OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC) 2025-00343
CORPORATION FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2022)
THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2024.)

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

Big Rivers Electric Corporation (BREC), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on February 20, 2026. 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 or incomplete when made or, though correct or complete when made, is now incorrect or incomplete 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 and scanned 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 Direct Testimony of Vicky Payne (Payne Direct Testimony) page 6, lines 8-9. Because the two Green units do not operate on a daily basis and require time to create sufficient steam to transmit energy on the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) system, starting from when the units are offline, explain the timeline of deciding when and how to bid the units into the day ahead energy market and actually bringing them online.

2. Refer to the Payne Direct Testimony, page 6, lines 18-22. Confirm whether Wilson Station can receive coal via rail or truck. If confirmed, explain whether BREC has transportation contracts with firms in either the rail or trucking industry and whether these modes of transportation were used during the review period.

3. Refer to the Direct Testimony of Thomas Melton (Melton Direct Testimony), page 4, lines 20-21. Provide the units for the natural gas prices.

4. Refer to the Melton Direct Testimony, page 5, lines 11-14. Explain the drivers for the significant disparity between the summer and winter season capacity market clearing prices for the 2025-2026 planning year.

5. Refer to the Melton Direct Testimony, page 5, Confidential lines 15-20.

a. Provide the MISO seasonal capacity values of each of BREC's generation units / power sources and compare those values to BREC's forecast demand and its MISO capacity obligation for the 2026-2027 and the 2027-2028 planning years.

b. Explain the justification for the forecast seasonal capacity positions for the 2026-2027 planning year and for the 2027-2028 planning year. Include in the response the MISO seasonal capacity accreditation for each of BREC's generation units pertaining to the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 planning years.

c. Provide an update on any actions BREC may take relative to its capacity positions.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Linda Bridwell RP". The "L" and "B" are capitalized and have decorative loops. "RP" is written in a smaller, stylized font to the right.

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