## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF:

## ELECTRONIC TARIFF FILING OF EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. TO ESTABLISH A NEW TARIFF FOR DATA CENTER POWER

CASE NO. 2025-00140

## MOTION TO INTERVENE OF NUCOR STEEL GALLATIN

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11), KRS 278.310, and KRS 278.040(2), Nucor Steel Gallatin ("Nucor") requests that it be granted full intervenor status in the above-captioned proceeding(s) and states in support thereof as follows:

1. 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11)(a)(1) requires that a person requesting leave to intervene as a party to a case before the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission"), by timely motion, must state his or her interest in the case and how 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 proceedings.

2. 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11)(b) provides that the Commission shall grant a person leave to intervene if the Commission finds that he or she has made a timely motion for intervention and that he or she has a special interest in the case that is not otherwise adequately represented or that his or her intervention is likely to present issues or to develop facts that assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings.

3. Nucor is the largest end-use electric customer located in the Owen Electric Cooperative ("Owen") service territory. Owen is in turn provided with generation and transmission ("G&T") service by East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. ("EKPC" or "Company").

4. The attorneys for Nucor authorized to represent them in this proceeding and to take service of all documents are:

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5. Nucor has filed a timely motion to intervene in this proceeding.

6. Nucor's interest cannot be adequately represented by any existing party. While the Kentucky Attorney General's Office of Rate Intervention is statutorily charged with representing the interests of *"consumers"* pursuant to KRS 367.150(8), that duty relates primarily to residential customers. In contrast, Nucor is a large industrial customer who takes service on a different rate schedule than residential customers.

7. Nucor's intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matters at hand. EKPC's proposed data center tariff is a complicated, precedent setting filing which if not approved could adversely affect the rates paid by all end use customers served by EKPC, including Nucor. Nucor is by far the largest single user on the EKPC system, and is one of the largest users of electricity in the United States. Nucor will be a helpful and active participant should its intervention request be granted.

8. Nucor intends to play a constructive role in the Commission's decision-making process.

9. Nucor's intervention will not unduly complicate or disrupt the proceedings.

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**WHEREFORE**, Nucor requests that it be granted full intervenor status in the abovecaptioned proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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