

**Report on the Progress Made in Expediting  
Pole Attachment Requests for Broadband Service in Kentucky**

**A Report to the  
Legislative Research Commission  
for Referral to  
the Interim Joint Committee on  
Natural Resources and Energy  
Pursuant to 2024 SJR 175**

**by the**

**Kentucky Public Service Commission**

**June 30, 2026**

## **Executive Summary**

SJR 175, a joint resolution “facilitating the deployment of broadband internet service to unserved and underserved citizens in the Commonwealth and declaring an emergency,” recognized the importance of broadband internet access to broadband internet service and that lack of internet access in rural areas places unserved or underserved citizens at a disadvantage. SJR 175 noted that broadband providers have and will receive significant monies to fund broadband deployment in the Commonwealth and found that the PSC should make every effort to remove unnecessary delays in how broadband attachment requests are received and processed by pole-owning utilities.

SJR 175 directed the PSC to promulgate emergency amendments to its pole attachment regulations to, among other things, expedite the processing of broadband requests for pole attachments, reduce the backlog of pole attachment requests and establish parameters to expedite the processing of pole attachment requests for unserved and underserved areas. SJR 175 directed the PSC to establish a docket on pole attachment issues to receive comments from affected parties and find resolutions that will expedite pole attachment requests and broadband deployment. Finally, SJR 175 directed the PSC to prepare and submit a quarterly report to the Legislative Research Commission for referral to the Interim Joint Committee on Natural Resources and Energy, beginning September 30, 2024. This report is submitted as the second quarterly report in fulfillment of the legislative mandate.

## **Background**

Pursuant to KRS Chapters 74, 278, 279, and parts of 61, the PSC is obligated to ensure that rates for electric, gas, water, sewer, and telecommunications services are fair, just and reasonable. In addition to its regulation of utility rates, the PSC is also responsible for ensuring that utility services are adequate, efficient and reasonable. The nearly 1,100 utilities under the PSC jurisdiction include investor-owned and cooperative electric companies, natural gas distributors and pipeline companies, water and sewer providers including districts, associations and investor-owned utilities, and cooperative telephone companies. The PSC does not regulate the rates and service of utilities subject to the control of cities or rural electric cooperatives served by the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA).

The United States Congress, on February 21, 1978, by Public Law 95-234, 92 Stat. 33, 47 U.S.C. § 224, amended the Federal Communications Act to grant regulatory jurisdiction over cable television (CATV) pole attachments to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in those states which did not exercise such regulation. The new law exempted cooperative-formed electric and telephone utilities from the FCC's pole attachment jurisdiction. Congress, however, allowed states to "reverse preempt" the FCC and assert state jurisdiction over CATV attachments to utility poles.

Several Kentucky utilities requested that the PSC exercise "reverse preemption" and, in August 1981, the PSC issued an order asserting jurisdiction over CATV attachments and reverse preempted the FCC. See, PSC Case No. 8040, *The Regulation of Rates, Terms and Conditions for the Provision of Pole Attachment Space to Cable Television Systems by Telephone Companies* (Ky. PSC Aug. 26, 1981). Unlike the FCC's jurisdiction, the PSC's jurisdiction over CATV attachments extended to electric and telephone cooperatives. Kentucky is currently one of 24 states and the District of Columbia that exercise jurisdiction over pole attachments.

The Kentucky Court of Appeals denied a jurisdictional challenge from several CATV providers finding that the PSC had, "jurisdiction over the utility companies, and that jurisdiction extends to their poles and the "services" and "rates" generated by pole attachment agreements." *Kentucky CATV Ass'n v. Volz*, 675 S.W.2d 393, 396 (Ky. App. 1983).

The PSC also adopted a methodology for calculating pole attachment rates. See, *The Adoption of a Standard Methodology for Establishing Rates for CATV Pole Attachments*, (Ky. PSC Sept. 17, 1982). The PSC required pole-owning utilities to file pole attachment tariffs setting out the rates and conditions of service for CATV attachments.

From the early eighties until the late 2010s, the PSC handled issues relating to pole attachments, including non-CATV attachments, on an *ad hoc* basis. The PSC would address these issues through Staff Opinions or Orders as required by the nature of each case. However, as broadband deployment increased, and to a lesser extent requests to

attach small cell antennas, it became apparent that a comprehensive regulation was necessary to address the increasing importance of third-party pole attachments.

The PSC, thus, in late 2019, completed a draft of a new regulation designed to comprehensively address pole attachments to the poles of jurisdictional utilities. In February of 2020 the PSC sent the proposed regulation to interested parties and held several meetings in February and March 2020 with the intent of promulgating the regulation by May 2020. The PSC had to postpone several meetings and the filing of the regulation due to COVID-19 but in December of 2020 the PSC restarted the meetings relating to the proposed pole attachment regulation.

The PSC, therefore, was well situated to promulgate a pole attachment regulation when, during the 2021 Regular Session, the General Assembly, on March 30, 2021, enacted House Bill 320, 2021 Ky. Acts ch. 171, sec. 1, which required, among other things, that the PSC, by December 31, 2021, promulgate regulations regarding pole attachments, including those necessary for the provisions of broadband service.

The PSC filed the new broadband regulation (codified as 807 KAR 5:015) with the Legislative Research Commission on May 14, 2021, more than seven months before the deadline established by the General Assembly. 807 KAR 5:015 became effective in late January 2022 and pole owning utilities filed conforming tariffs on or before February 28, 2022. The Kentucky Broadband and Cable Association (KBCA) filed objections to each file tariff and, pursuant to KRS 278.190, the PSC suspended the utilities' proposed pole attachment tariffs to conduct further investigation of the tariffs. On December 22, 2022, the PSC issued Orders approving, with modifications, the utilities' various tariffs.

The PSC, after promulgating 807 KAR 5:015 and approving pole attachment tariffs, received no complaints from utilities or attachers regarding problems with the implementation of the new pole attachment regime. The PSC first became aware that attachers had issues with how pole attachments were being processed when members of KBCA raised these concerns at the December 11, 2023, meeting of the Investments in Information Technology Improvement & Modernization Projects Oversight Board.

In response to these newly discovered concerns the PSC, on December 14, 2023, initiated a case to "create a stakeholder process to discuss and investigate issues and lessons learned relating to pole attachments." The purpose of the case was, "to identify issues regarding pole attachments, particularly regarding the extension of broadband services that might be addressed through changes in the regulations, rules, or tariffs governing pole attachments." See Case No. 2023-00416, *Electronic Investigation of Pole Attachments*, (Order issued Dec. 14, 2023). The PSC convened a series of conferences between stakeholders to determine what changes, if any, were necessary to address issues arising from requests for pole attachments.

This background information is intended only to outline the efforts the PSC has taken to regulate pole attachments prior to the enactment of SJR 175.

## **Efforts to Expedite Broadband Deployment**

The Commission, on February 25, 2025, filed with the Legislative Research Commission emergency amendments to 807 KAR 5:015 and filed ordinary amendments to 807 KAR 5:015. The public comment hearing for the emergency amendments was held on April 29, 2025 and the public comment hearing for the ordinary amendments was held on May 29, 2025. The Commission did not amend the emergency amendments or the amendments to the ordinary regulation. Both the emergency amendments and the ordinary amendments passed through the Administrative Regulation Review Subcommittee. The ordinary amendments were on the agenda for the September 18, 2025 meeting of the Interim Joint Committee on Natural Resources and Energy. The Joint Committee took no action on the ordinary amendments and they are now in effect.

The PSC, in the open docket Case No.2023-00416, in addition to already hosting eight stakeholder conferences in 2024 to resolve issues pertaining to pole attachments, has established recurring filing requirements for pole owners and attachers. The Commission now requires quarterly updates on backlogs of pole attachment applications, as well as statistical information from all pole owners, except for rural local exchange carriers, relating to the number and time of processing of pole attachment applications. This information will assist the PSC in determining where significant bottlenecks occur in the pole attachment process, inform the PSC and stakeholders what changes would be necessary to address the bottlenecks, and help provide the Commission and General Assembly a clearer view of the state of broadband pole attachments in Kentucky. Attached to this report are the most recent updates on backlogs on pole attachments filed with the Commission in mid-March 2026.

Since the implementation of the pole attachment regulation, 807 KAR 5:015, in March 2022, no attacher has filed a complaint against a utility.

In the fourth quarter of 2025, the PSC received several proposed pole attachment tariffs filed pursuant to the ordinary amendments to 807 KAR 5:015 went into effect in 2025. The Commission received objections to some proposed tariff provisions, and pursuant to KRS 278.190, suspended certain proposed tariff amendments for further investigation. Final orders concerning the tariffs are due no later than mid-October 2026.

In March 2026, Commission Staff facilitated a meeting between an attacher and a utility based on concerns raised by an attacher informally that certain make-ready work would not be completed in time for the attacher to meet required deadlines due in large part to the unavailability of contractors. The parties developed an action plan that they indicated they expected would allow make-ready work to be completed in time.

The PSC, by the time the next report is filed, will have filed final orders concerning the investigation of the amended tariffs.

POLES CURRENTLY IN EACH PHASE OF PROCESS (as of June 4, 2026)						
STATUS	RESPONSIBLE	TOTAL POLES	POLES ON TIME	POLES LATE	% POLES ON TIME	% POLES LATE
FIELD SURVEY and ENGINEERING (30 days)	KU	124	124	0	100%	0%
RESUBMIT NEEDED (no timeline)	CHARTER	422	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MAKE READY ESTIMATE (14 days)	KU	0	0	0	N/A%	N/A
MAKE READY PAYMENT (14 days)	CHARTER	340	0	340	0%	100%
MAKE READY CONSTRUCTION (no timeline)	KU	369	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AWAITING FOREIGN-OWNED POLE REPLACEMENT		1,408	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
COMMS MAKE READY / INSTALLATION (60 days)	CHARTER	14,950	2,185	12,765	14.6%	85.4%
POST-CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION (60 days)	KU	11,616	7,352	4,264	63.3%	36.7%
INSTALLATION DEFECT DETECTED	CHARTER	438	0	438	0%	100%
COMPLETE	N/A	664	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TRANSMISSION (no timeline)	KU	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
CANCELED	N/A	3,498	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

CUMULATIVE POLES PROCESSED SINCE MARCH 1, 2024 (as of June 4, 2026)						
STATUS	RESPONSIBLE	TOTAL POLES	POLES ON TIME	POLES LATE	% POLES ON TIME	% POLES LATE
FIELD SURVEY and ENGINEERING (30 days)	KU	32,426*	31,345	1,081	96.7%	3.3%
MAKE READY ESTIMATE (14 days)	KU	30,515	24,506	5,864	80.3%	19.2%
MAKE READY PAYMENT (14 days)	CHARTER	30,287	4,971	25,316	16.4%	83.6%
MAKE READY CONSTRUCTION (no timeline)	KU	30,400	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
COMMS MAKE READY / INSTALLATION (60 days)	CHARTER	31,533	6,699	24,834	21.2%	78.8%
POST-CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION (60 days)	KU	12,718	8,073	4,645	63.5%	36.5%
INSTALLATION DEFECT DETECTED	CHARTER	5,967	521/2106	1585/2106	25.3%	74.7%
COMPLETE	N/A	664	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TRANSMISSION (no timeline)	KU	2,948	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
CANCELED	N/A	3,498	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

\*37,106 Poles have been submitted in the high volume plan. This total excludes canceled applications, applications containing Transmission poles, and poles later removed from applications.





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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

June 15, 2026

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**Re: Case No. 2023-00416**  
In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of Pole Attachments

Dear Ms. Bridwell:

In its May 27, 2025 Order in the above captioned case, the Commission found “updates to the ‘backlog’ should be filed with the Commission,” with term “backlog” referring to “pending applications that have frequently been referred to in this proceeding as the ‘backlog.’”<sup>1</sup>

Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (Duke Energy Kentucky or the Company) had not been involved in the previous conversations regarding “backlog” in this proceeding nor had it been requested to submit prior pole attachment updates and does not believe that it is a party to the “backlog.” For example, a May 2, 2024 pole attachment update by the Kentucky Broadband and Cable Association noted that “Duke” is not included due to being a “Low volume entit[y].”<sup>2</sup> While other subsequent updates make no mention of the Company at all.<sup>3</sup> Thus, it does not seem that the “backlog” reporting requirement was intended to apply to Duke Energy Kentucky.

However, until the matter of the applicability of this reporting requirement to Duke Energy Kentucky is clarified, the Company submits the below backlog update as of March 12, 2026, providing the information requested by the Commission.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Order, p. 1 (May 27, 2025).

<sup>2</sup> Charter Communications Kentucky Pole Attachment Application Data, Exhibit 1 (“Low volume entities not shown. (AT&T, Cincinnati Bell/Alta Fiber, Duke, Grayson, Jackson, Kenergy, KY Power, Meade, South KY, Taylor County, Windstream)”) (May 2, 2024).

<sup>3</sup> See, e.g., Supplemental Information (Dec. 11, 2024).

<sup>4</sup> Order, p. 1 (“[W]hether the application is waiting on actions from the pole owner or the attacher, what that action is, and the number of attachments not timely addressed under the timelines provided for in 807 KAR 5:015”) (May 27, 2025).

Additionally, in its May 27, 2025, Order, the Commission found:

[P]ole owners, excluding rural local exchange carriers, should be required to file quarterly reports, beginning September 15, 2025, and continuing until further Order of the Commission. The information in these updates should include: the number of pole-attachment requests received; processing time for the request; whether make-ready is required; the time to complete make-ready; and the number of attachment requests completed in the quarter.<sup>5</sup>

Accordingly, Duke Energy Kentucky submits below this additional quarterly report as of June 1, 2026, providing the information requested by the Commission.

### **Quarterly Backlog Report**

As of June 1, 2026, there are 657 pending applications to make attachments to 6,591 Duke Energy Kentucky poles, of which 4,529 poles have been approved.<sup>6</sup>

For pending applications where the attachments have not yet been attached to the pole, there appear to be a total of 139 poles waiting on action by the Company and 3,151 poles waiting on action by the attacher:

- **718** poles are in **Proposal** status, waiting on the attacher to complete and submit the application;
- **22** poles are in **Reply** status, waiting on the Company to respond;
- **219** poles are in **Acknowledgment** status, waiting on the attacher to acknowledge the approved or denied permit in the system;
- **117** poles are in **DEK Construction** status, waiting on the Company to notify the attacher that make-ready is complete; and,
- **2,214** poles are in **Attacher Construction** status, waiting on the attacher to notify the Company that their construction is completed so a post inspection can take place to verify the route was built as designed.

After the completion of the **DEK Construction** and **Attacher Construction** statuses, the attachment is attached to the pole. During the remaining stages below, the application remains pending in the Company's system, but telecommunications customers should already be benefiting from the attachment.

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<sup>5</sup> Order, p. 2 (May 27, 2025).

<sup>6</sup> The data in this letter does not include banners.

- **297** poles are in **DEK Post Inspection** status, waiting on the Company to notify the attacher that it has completed inspection and verified the route was built in accordance with engineering;
- **9** poles are in **Attacher Conclusion** status, waiting on the attacher to close the completed permit application; and,
- **2,995** poles are in **DEK Conclusion** status, waiting on the Company to invoice the attacher or close the completed permit application.

According to the Company's system, a total of 3 poles, associated with a single application submitted in 2019, appear to fall out of the timelines provided in 807 KAR 5:015.

### **Quarterly Report**

In the previous quarter (beginning March 12, 2026), Duke Energy Kentucky received eight pole-attachment requests, as of June 1, 2026:

- Four were received in April. Four have been approved and are awaiting customer to complete their construction.
- Four were submitted in May. Three are in the engineering phase and one was rejected due to an incomplete application and is waiting for customer to return.

The total number of pole-attachment requests completed during the previous quarter was six.

I certify that the electronically filed document is a true and accurate copy of the original document and that there are currently no parties in this proceeding that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means. Pursuant to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085, no paper copies of this filing will be made.

Respectfully submitted,

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**VERIFICATION**

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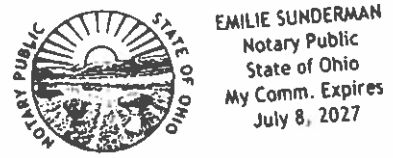
The undersigned, Brian James Minshall, Senior Joint Use Specialist, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the foregoing quarterly report, and that the information contained therein is true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief.

Brian James Minshall  
Brian James Minshall, Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Brian James Minshall on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2026.

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My Commission Expires: July 8, 2027





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**RE: *In the Matter of Electronic Investigation of Pole Attachments, Case No. 2023-00416***

Dear Executive Director Bridwell:

Attached please find Kentucky Electric Cooperatives' (the "Cooperatives")<sup>1</sup> quarterly pole attachment update filed pursuant to the Kentucky Public Service Commission's (the "Commission") May 27, 2025 Order in the above-referenced case (the "Order").

In compliance with the Order and ordering paragraph 1 thereof, **Exhibit 1** provides an update of the Cooperatives' pole attachment data as of or about May 31, 2026 (the "Ordering Paragraph 1 Report").<sup>2</sup> As with prior reports, this report does not include requests to overlash given that they are subject to a different review process than other attachments under 807 KAR 5:015 and have not been part of the "backlog" in this proceeding.

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<sup>1</sup> The following electric cooperatives are jurisdictional utilities that were made party to this case by Order: Big Rivers Electric Corporation; Big Sandy RECC; Blue Grass Energy Cooperative Corporation; Clark Energy Cooperative, Inc.; Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc.; Farmers RECC; Fleming-Mason Energy Cooperative; Grayson RECC; Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation; Jackson Energy Cooperative Corporation; Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation; Kenergy Corporation; Licking Valley RECC; Meade County RECC; Nolin RECC; Owen Electric Cooperative; Salt River Electric Cooperative Corporation; Shelby Energy Cooperative, Inc.; South Kentucky RECC; and Taylor County RECC. Although this filing speaks on behalf of the group's common interests, each cooperative reserves the right to also address issues on an individual basis throughout this proceeding.

<sup>2</sup> Exhibit 1 includes data from Blue Grass Energy Cooperative Corporation, Clark Energy Cooperative, Inc., Fleming-Mason Energy Cooperative, Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation, Owen Electric Cooperative, Salt River Electric Cooperative Corporation, Shelby Energy Cooperative, Inc., South Kentucky RECC, and Taylor County RECC – the Cooperatives that have been reporting on the "backlog" with Charter. The remaining Cooperatives, specifically, Big Rivers Electric Corporation, Big Sandy RECC, Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc., Farmers RECC, Grayson RECC, Jackson Energy Cooperative Corporation, Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation, Kenergy Corporation, Licking Valley RECC, Meade County RECC, and Nolin RECC do not have a pole attachment "backlog" with Charter.

In compliance with ordering paragraph 2 of the Order, **Exhibit 2** provides an update on the number of pole attachment requests received and completed during the quarter ending on or about May 31, 2026 (the “Ordering Paragraph 2 Report”).<sup>3</sup>

The Ordering Paragraph 1 Report (Exhibit 1) cumulatively reflects that:<sup>4</sup>

- There are 17 poles currently in the survey stage with the Cooperatives. The Cooperatives completed surveys of an additional 2,215 poles this quarter.
- The Cooperatives have approved permits to attach to 88,723 poles.
- There are 39,372 poles that are currently ready for attachment.
- The Cooperatives approved 9,988 poles for attachment during the quarter.
- A large portion of the Cooperatives’ effort this quarter has been focused on performing make-ready construction. The Cooperatives have been coordinating with Charter during this process to ensure that Charter is apprised of the relevant timelines and that Charter may be prepared for attachment once make-ready construction is completed.
- The high number of cancelled permit applications for Owen Electric are the result of Charter converting submitted pole attachment applications to overlash requests.

The Ordering Paragraph 2 Report (Exhibit 2) cumulatively reflects that:<sup>5</sup>

- The Cooperatives routinely complete make-ready by or before the regulatory deadline.
- The median percentage of requests that require make-ready is 92.3%.

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<sup>3</sup> Exhibit 2 includes data from all of the Cooperatives with the exception of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc., which is filing separately.

<sup>4</sup> South Kentucky RECC’s grand total of completed attachments decreased by seven from the report filed on March 15, 2026 in this matter. South Kentucky RECC’s contractor, Osmose, realized that some attachment applications had been improperly created, and they were later deleted. While resolving this issue, Osmose deployed a certain number of “test” or “demo” applications, which were to be later removed from the reporting grand total. These seven attachments were part of this testing process and have now been removed from the grand total.

<sup>5</sup> Requests completed may exceed requests received during the quarter as a result of the Cooperatives completing requests that were received prior to the start of the quarter.

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In addition, the Cooperatives generally complete their tasks (initial review, surveys, and make-ready) in the pole attachment process within the regulatory timeframes absent extenuating circumstances.<sup>6</sup>

As is evidenced by these quarterly reports, the Cooperatives are continuing to process pole attachment requests within the timeframes established under 807 KAR 5:015, despite the increasing number of pole attachment requests.

Sincerely yours,

DINSMORE & SHOHL LLP

*/s/ Edward T. Depp*

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Attachment

**Certification**

I hereby certify that a copy of this filing has been served electronically on all parties of record through the use of the Commission's electronic filing system, and there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means. Pursuant to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085, a paper copy of this filing has not been transmitted to the Commission.

*/s/ Edward T. Depp*

*Counsel to Kentucky Electric Cooperatives*

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<sup>6</sup> As reflected in Exhibit 2, Kenergy Corporation reported an average of 172 days in construction for this quarter. This relatively heightened average was the result of one outlier project which lasted longer than anticipated, which in turn inflated the average.

Exhibit 1

		Status	Blue Grass Energy	Clark Energy	Fleming-Mason Energy	Inter-County Energy	Owen Electric	Salt River	Shelby	South Kentucky RECC	Taylor County RECC	Grand Total	
Pre-Draft	Attacher	Created		3			2			0		5	
		Review for Completeness											
Survey	Pole Owner	Revise Application					229	278				507	
	Both Parties	Survey	3	1			7		6			17	
Make Ready Estimate	Attacher	Survey Review	15	65	38		64				952	1134	
		Awaiting Customer Response	4		4222		4		403			4633	
		Customer Response Overdue			197							197	
		Awaiting Make-Ready Payment			167		51	8	110			169	505
Construction	Pole Owner	Make-Ready Construction Pending	759	798			85	1586		357		26	3611
		Make-Ready	815	186	1222	1841	1	677	299	3150		705	8896
		Make-Ready Overdue	34	108						818		205	1165
	Attacher	Ready To Attach	2784	776	996	2917	35	2474	12124	2520		625	25251
		Attachment Overdue	9119	1559	1569	892	573			5		95	13812
		Attachment Extension Approved					309						309
Post Inspection	Pole Owner	Post Inspection	7747	1853	7488	5366	2244	1102		1007		18	26825
	Attacher	Corrections Needed	5332	1241	2781	3209	571			507		18	13659
True Up	Pole Owner	True-Up Billing	220	7	252		18	571					1068
No Action Needed		Complete	111	24	41	69	9	4732	2813				7799
		Cancel	1002	580	386	308	2560				309		4
Grand Total			27945	7201	19359	14675	6697	11933	15242	8673	2817	114542	

Exhibit 2

Cooperative	Applications Received	Applications Completed	MR Required?	Average Days in Construction
Big Rivers	0	0	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Big Sandy	0	0	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Bluegrass	7	40	90.00%	25
Clark Energy	1	13	92.31%	56
Cumberland Valley	7	4	100.00%	3
Fleming-Mason Energy	20	42	83.33%	24
Farmers	0	0	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Grayson	25	9	100.00%	54
Inter-County	2	37	89.19%	34
Jackson Energy	14	12	5.00%	4
Jackson Purchase	7	0	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Kenergy	3	4	100.00%	172
Licking Valley	1	0	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Meade County	0	4	100.00%	83
Nolin	3	-	66.00%	30
Owen	4	4	100.00%	6
Salt River	6	22	100%	96
Shelby	1	6	100%	All within Regulations
South Kentucky	5	58	89.66%	39
Taylor County	6	15	80.00%	18

Since January 1, 2024, excluding submissions by Kentucky Power’s ILEC joint use partners, third parties have submitted proposals (i.e., applications) for 2,156 poles. Those 2,156 poles fall collectively into the following statuses:

Status	Number of Poles
Initiated	68
Pending	1,840
Payment Pending	0
Construction	8
Authorized	6
Approved	85
Post-Inspect	22
Cancelled	127
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,156</b>

The following is a brief explanation of each status:

“Initiated” means the proposal has been submitted to Kentucky Power but not yet assigned to vendor for survey and engineering, either because Kentucky Power needs additional information before assigning the proposal to a vendor or because Kentucky Power has not yet completed its internal review.

“Pending” means the proposal has been assigned to a vendor for survey and engineering and includes proposals on which the survey and engineering are complete, but the applicant has not yet paid the make-ready estimate.

“Payment Pending” means the make-ready invoice has been sent but not paid.

“Construction” means the make-ready estimate has been paid and the make-ready work is currently being performed by Kentucky Power.

“Authorized” means construction is complete and the completion notice has been sent to the applicant. Applicant to notify KPCO when work is complete.

“Approved” means the attachment has approval and is attached to Kentucky Power’s poles.

“Post-Inspect” means a proposal has been released for installation of attachments by the applicant and Kentucky Power is awaiting notice of completion.

“Cancelled” means the application has withdrawn the proposal.

## Quarterly Pole Attachment Report

Pole Owner(s): Windstream Kentucky East, LLC & Windstream Kentucky West, LLC

Reporting Period Covered: March 1, 2026 – May 31, 2026

**I. Number of Pole-Attachment Requests Received:**

Number of Applications	Number of Poles
<b>10</b>	<b>234</b>

**II. Processing Time for Requests:**

Number of Applications Processed	Average Processing Time
<b>84*</b>	<b>55.00 Days</b>

Notes:

*\* Applications not processed are all pending application fee payments.*

**III. Is Make-Ready Required?**

Make-Ready Required?	Number of Make-Ready Surveys Completed
<b>Yes – on 81 of 84 applications. Licenses for the other 3 requests were issued</b>	<b>81 applications covering 1,191 Poles</b>

**IV. Time to Complete Make-Ready Work:**

Number of Completed Make-Ready Work	Average Time
<b>3*</b>	<b>12</b>

Notes:

*\* Make-Ready payments are pending on 43 pending applications, 18 are currently pending field survey, and 20 requests are under make ready construction, thus, no work has occurred. 3 licenses issued for requests with completed make ready work*

**V. Number of Attachment Requested Completed in the Quarter:**

**\*3**

Notes:

*\* See Make-Ready note in Section IV above.*



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## SIMPLE MAKE-READY TIMELINE

Average Days to Complete

**150**

Items Transferred, Placed or  
Removed

**64**

This data is based on requests where the associated make-ready was completed within the quarter shown and all of the make-ready required meets the FCC definition of simple make-ready.

## COMPLEX MAKE-READY TIMELINE

Average Days to Complete

**299**

Items Transferred, Placed or  
Removed

**295**

This data is based on requests where the associated make-ready was completed within the quarter shown and had at least one make-ready required that meets the FCC definition of complex make-ready.



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## REQUESTS RECEIVED

Requests Received  
Containing 1 or More Pole  
Attachment

**13**

Proposed Pole Attachments  
Associated With Requests  
Received

Structure Type	Qty
Pole/Meet Me	2
Overlash/Rebuild	9
Pole	152
<b>Total</b>	<b>163</b>

This data is based on requests that were received during the quarter shown for this report.

## MAKE-READY REQUIRED

Requests Received Containing 1  
or More Pole Attachment  
Requiring Make-Ready

**6**

Proposed Pole Attachments  
Associated With Requests  
Requiring Make-Ready

Structure Type	Qty
Pole	94
<b>Total</b>	<b>94</b>

The proposed pole attachment data is based on the total structures associated with a request that requires make-ready on at least one of the structures associated with the request and may include structures that do not require make-ready. Some requests received during the quarter shown for this report have not completed the survey stage to determine if make-ready is required.

## PROCESSING TIME

AVG Processing Time (Days)

**30.19**

Attachments Associated  
with Requests

Structure Type	Qty
Pole	233
Pole/Meet Me	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>234</b>

This data is based on requests that did not require make-ready and were permitted in the quarter shown for this report and requests that require make-ready and the quote has been sent to the new attach in the quarter shown for this report. These requests may have been received in previous quarters.

## COMPLETED REQUESTS

Requests Completed

**60**

Attachments Associated  
with Completed Requests

Structure Type	Qty
Overlash/Rebuild	11
Pole	574
<b>Total</b>	<b>585</b>

This data is based on requests that were completed in the quarter shown for this report but may have been received in previous quarters. For purposes of this report, completed requests are defined as requests where all processing, make-ready construction and post-inspection work has been completed.

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# Kentucky PSC Filing

06/15/26

# Co-Op Update

## POLE OWNERS UTILIZING ALDEN ONE

GreaterStage	Responsible Party	Status	Blue Grass Energy	Clark Energy	Fleming-Mason Energy	Inter-County Energy	Owen Electric	Shelby Energy Cooperative	South Kentucky RECC	Taylor County RECC
<b>Pre-Draft</b>	Attacher	Created	2	185	37		2			
	Pole Owner	Review	32	61	987	71	1,868		63	37
	Attacher	Revise Application					229			
<b>Survey</b>	Pole Owner	Survey	3	3			7			
	Pole Owner	Survey Overdue								8
	Pole Owner	Survey Review		53	33		25		19	772
	Pole Owner	Survey Review Overdue	15	12	5		39			138
<b>Make Ready</b>	Pole Owner	Make-Ready Construction Pending	759	798			85		357	26
	Attacher	Awaiting Customer Response	4		4,180	4				
	Attacher	Awaiting Make-Ready Payment			167	51	8			169
	Attacher	Customer Response Overdue			197					
	Attacher	Pending Preliminary Cost Estimate Approval	1							
<b>Construction</b>	Pole Owner	Make-Ready	815	178	1,221	1,841	44		3,148	705
	Pole Owner	Make-Ready Overdue	34	108					818	205
	Attacher	Attachment Extension					309			
	Attacher	Attachment Extension Review	9,118	830	1,568	892	568		5	95
	Attacher	Ready To Attach	2,784	751	996	2,917	35		2,516	625
	Attacher	Ready to Overlash	335	82	192	103	124		235	
<b>Post Inspection</b>	Pole Owner	Inspection	121		66	27				
	Pole Owner	Post Inspection	2,570	512	2,774	2,623	876	32	633	10
	Pole Owner	Post Inspection Overdue	5,175	1,201	4,651	2,915	1,369	7	353	8
	Attacher	Corrections Needed	5,361	1,240	2,829	2,728	571		502	18
	Attacher	Corrections Extension Review	8			307				
<b>True Up</b>	Pole Owner	Close-Out Billing	217	7	249	18	1	1		
<b>Grand Total</b>			27,354	6,021	20,152	14,497	6,160	40	8,649	2,816



SOURCE: Alden One 06/01/26

# Pole Owners (Non-Alden One)

MUNICIPAL AND TVA EXCLUDED

OWNER	Pending	Approved
Louisville Gas & Electric		4,570
Kentucky Utility	1,152	39,091
AEP	283	12
AT&T	790	4,307
Cumberland Valley Electric		157
Grayson RECC	964	172
Kenergy Corporation	806	608
Meade County Rural Electric		1,340
Nicholasville Utilities, KY	19	
Nolin RECC		98
Princeton Electric Plant Board	109	208
Salt River Electric	2,665	8,770
Windstream	1,004	840
Shelby Energy Cooperative	922	14,286