

1 AN ACT relating to utility easements.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 278.230 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) The commissioners and the officers and employees of the commission may, during
5 all reasonable hours, enter upon the premises of any utility subject to its jurisdiction
6 for the purpose of examining any books or records, or for making any examination
7 or test, or for exercising any power provided for in this chapter, and may set up and
8 use on such premises apparatus and appliances necessary for any such examination
9 or test. The utility shall have the right to be represented at the making of any such
10 examination, test or inspection.

11 (2) The books, accounts, papers and records of the utility shall be available to the
12 commission for inspection and examination. If the books, accounts, papers and
13 records are not within the state, the commission may, by notice and order, require
14 their production or the production of verified copies at such time and place as it
15 designates, any expense incurred to be borne by the utility so ordered.

16 (3) Every utility, when required by the commission, shall file with it any reports,
17 schedules, classifications or other information that the commission reasonably
18 requires. The commission shall prepare and distribute to the utilities blank forms for
19 any information required under this chapter. All such reports shall be under oath
20 when required by the commission.

21 **(4) *The commission shall require each utility, as defined by KRS 278.010, that is not***
22 ***an electric cooperative or a municipal utility, to maintain an up-to-date database***
23 ***of records of all the easements and rights of way on private and public properties***
24 ***of the customers that the utility serves. Records of easements and rights of way***
25 ***shall be available for examination by a utility's customer upon request. The***
26 ***commission shall determine the form and manner that the information on***
27 ***easements is maintained, requested, and made available to a utility's customers,***

1 *except that the information in the database shall be updated at least once every*
2 *five (5) years.*