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CASE NATURE: Alleged Failure to Comply with 807 KAR 5:061 (Rose Incident)

CASE CODE

Investigation - Service

UTILITIES:

Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation

HEARINGS:

01/15/13 Formal Hearing

11/08/12 Informal Conference

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06/27/13 POST CASE: Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation Audits on Contractor Safety Practices Per Commissions Order

05/21/13 POST CASE: Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation Inc Response to Commissions Order

02/04/13 Receipt of Payment

02/01/13 Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. \$2,500.00 Penalty Payment

01/11/13 Final Order Entered: (1) The Joint Stipulation of Facts and Settlement Agreement is adopted and approved in its entirety as a complete resolution of all issues in this case. (2) Mountain Rural is assessed a penalty of \$2,500.00. (3) Mountain Rural shall pay \$2,500.00 civil penalty within 30 days of date of this Order by cashier's check or money order. (4) Mountain Rural shall establish an annual safety meeting to be held with Mountain Rural's contractors. Mountain Rural shall provide the date, time and place of each of these annual meetings to the Commission so that Commission Staff may attend. (5) Mountain Rural shall make all new policies or policy changes available to its contractors for informational purposes. (6) Mountain Rural shall require all contractors to keep written documentation on job briefings and safety meetings on Mountain Rural jobs. (7) Mountain Rural shall perform, or Mountain Rural shall contract with a third party consultant to perform, documented safety audits on its contractors' compliance with the NESC and any other standards adopted or regulation promulgated by the Commission. On or before June 30, 2013, Mountain Rural shall provide to Commission documentation of its safety audits performed on Mountain Rural's contractors from January 1, 2013 to June 1, 2013. (8) The hearing scheduled for January 15, 2013 is cancelled. (9) Upon payment of \$2,500.00 civil penalty, this case shall be closed and removed from the Commission's docket.

12/18/12 Stipulation of Facts and Settlement Agreement

11/14/12 Memorandum dated 11/14 for Informal Conference of 11/8; Comments, if any, due within 7 days of receipt

11/14/12 Mountain Rural Telephone IC Materials from 110812

10/17/12 Notice of IC Scheduled for November 8, 2012 11 am

09/27/12 Mountain Rural's Response to Commission Staff's 091012 Order

09/10/12 Order Entered: (1) Mountain Rural shall submit to the Commission, within 20 days of the date of this Order, a written response to the allegations contained in the Report. (2) Mountain Rural shall appear on January 15, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. EDT, HR 1, for the purpose of presenting evidence concerning the alleged violations of 807 KAR 5:061 and of showing cause why it should not be subject to the penalties prescribed in KRS 278.990(1) for these alleged violations. (3) At the scheduled hearing in this matter, Mountain Rural shall also present evidence on the adequacy, safety, and reasonableness of its practices related to the construction, installation, and repair of utility facilities and whether such practices require revision as related to this incident. (4) The January 15, 2013 hearing shall be recorded by videotape only. (5) The Report in the Appendix to this Order is made a part of the record in this case. (6) Any requests for an informal conference with Commission Staff shall be set forth in writing and filed with the Commission with 20 days of the date of this Order.