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Re: Cases No. 2008-00252 and 2007-00564

Application of Louisville Gas and Electric Company for an Adjustment of its Electric and
Gas Base Rates;
Application of Louisville Gas and Electric Company to File Depreciation Study

Dear Ms. Stumbo:

Please find attached for filing with the Commission an original and ten copies of a letter
of inquiry related to the above-referenced proceedings.

Sincerely,



Geoffrey M. Young

Enclosures

cc: Parties listed on the Certificate of Service

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE GAS AND)
ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR AN ADJUSTMENT) CASE NO.
OF ITS ELECTRIC AND GAS BASE RATES) 2008-00252

APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE GAS AND)
ELECTRIC COMPANY TO FILE) CASE NO.
DEPRECIATION STUDY) 2007-00564

The above-captioned proceedings are an application for a general adjustment of electric and gas rates. This letter is an inquiry concerning when a decision is expected to be issued on my application for full intervention.

My application was received by the Commission on August 13, 2008. As of Monday, September 29, 2008, 47 days will have elapsed without a decision either granting or denying full intervention. This situation is unique in my 15 years of experience working on utility cases before the Commission. Several other parties were granted full intervention in much less time, as shown in the following table. It should be noted that no other environmentalists have applied for intervention in this proceeding.

Table 1 – A Decision about the Intervention of Environmentalists has been Delayed

Cases No. <u>2008-00252 / 00564</u>	Application <u>received</u>	<u>Date granted</u>	<u># of days</u>
Attorney General	July 8	July 14	6
KIUC	July 15	August 1	17
ACM/POWER	July 29	August 1	3
Community Action Ky	August 12	August 15	3
Kroger	August 13	August 20	7
Geoffrey M. Young	August 13	No decision	47

By law, general rate cases are to be decided “as speedily as possible.” KRS

278.190(3) provides:

At any hearing involving the rate or charge sought to be increased, the burden of proof to show that the increased rate or charge is just and reasonable shall be upon the utility, and the commission shall give to the hearing and decision of such questions preference over other questions pending before it and decide the same as speedily as possible, and in any event not later than ten (10) months after the filing of such schedules.

My application was submitted well before the scheduled due date of the first request for information to LG&E, August 27, 2008. If the Commission had granted my request within a week or so, I would have had time to prepare a set of questions relevant to LG&E’s rate application. That date passed without a decision. The due date of the supplemental requests for information to LG&E, September 24, 2008, also passed without a decision by the Commission. Unless the Commission were to grant my request for full intervention and also grant a variance in the procedural schedule to allow me to submit an information request to LG&E, environmentalists will, in effect, have been prevented from submitting any information requests as a result of the inaction of the Commission.

Justice delayed is justice denied.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully request that the Commission issue a decision about whether I am to be granted full intervenor status in the above-captioned proceeding as speedily as possible. I also request that the Commission inform me about whether I will be allowed to submit an information request to LG&E.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that an original and ten copies of the foregoing letter were mailed to the office of Stephanie Stumbo, Executive Director of the Kentucky Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40602-0615, and that copies were mailed to the following parties of record on this 29th day of September, 2008.

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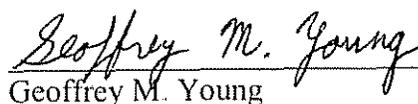
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