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October 11, 2011

Boehm, Kurtz & Lowry Attention: Michael Kurtz 36 East Seventh Street. Suite 1510

Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Re: Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc. ("KIUC")

Petition for Confidential Treatment received 8/11/11

PSC Reference - Case No. 2011-00036

Dear Mr. Kurtz:

The Public Service Commission has received your request for Confidential Treatment you filed on August 11, 2011 on behalf of Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc. ("KIUC") to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.870. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as being contained in KIUC's Brief filed under seal. The information contained in the Brief has previously been awarded confidential protection by the Commission.

Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise KIUC's competitive position in the industry, which would result in an unfair commercial advantage to its competitors.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information requested to be held confidential is of a proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to KIUC's competitors. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.

If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc. is required by Section 8(9)(a) of



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807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the

public record.

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