## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE GAS AND )
ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE )
OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR A ) CAS
GAS AND ELECTRIC FRANCHISE IN THE )
CITY OF FOREST HILLS, KENTUCKY )

CASE NO. 8139

## ORDER

On the 4th day of February, 1981, Louisville Gas and Electric Company filed its Application seeking a certificate of convenience and necessity to bid on a gas and electric franchise from the City of Forest Hills, Kentucky. Pursuant to the provisions of KRS 278.020(3) no utility may apply for a franchise from any governmental agency until it has obtained a certificate of convenience and necessity from the Commission based on a finding that there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered.

A hearing in this matter was held in the Commission's offices at Frankfort, Kentucky on March 5, 1981.

The Commission, having considered the matter and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that there is a need and demand for gas and electric service in the City of Forest Hills, Kentucky. Since the Commssion's authority in such matters is limited by statute to a determination as to whether there is a need and demand for the service, no finding or determination is made herein as to the validity of any of the provisions of the franchise offered by the City or the manner in which any franchise

fee is to be treated for rate purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED That Louisville Gas and Electric Company be and it hereby is granted a certificate of convenience and necessity to bid on a gas and electric franchise in the City of Forest Hills, Kentucky.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That Louisville Gas and Electric Company, should it become the successful bidder, file with the Commission a copy of the franchise.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That this Order shall not be construed as granting a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct utility facilities in the City.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 16th day of March, 1981.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman M. O

Commissioner January

ATTEST:

Secretary