

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE GAS)
AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR)
CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE)
AND NECESSITY FOR FRANCHISES)
IN CERTAIN CITIES IN ITS)
SERVICE AREA)

CASE NO.
8444

O R D E R

On the 15th day of January 1982, Louisville Gas and Electric Company filed with the Commission its Application seeking certificates of convenience and necessity to qualify it to bid on gas and electric franchises from the Cities of West Point, Indian Hills, Shively, Eminence, New Castle, Smithfield and Seneca Gardens, Kentucky. Under 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 this Commission based on our 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 January 29, 1982.

The Commission finds that there is a need and demand for gas and electric service in the above-mentioned cities. Since the Commission's authority in such matters is limited by statute to finding only whether there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered, no finding or determination is made

as to the validity of any of the provisions of the franchises offered by said cities or the manner in which any franchise fees are to be treated for rate purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED That Louisville Gas and Electric Company be and it hereby is granted certificates of convenience and necessity which authorize it to bid on gas and electric franchises in the Cities of West Point, Indian Hills, Shively, Eminence, New Castle, Smithfield and Seneca Gardens, Kentucky.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That Louisville Gas and Electric Company, if it becomes the successful bidder, file with this Commission copies of the said franchises.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That this Order shall not be construed as granting certificates of convenience and necessity to construct utility facilities in said cities.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 4th day of February 1982.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Martin M. Vohs
Chairman

Katherine Randall
Vice Chairman

Jim Carrigan
Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary