COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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ADJUSTMENT OF GAS AND ELECTRIC RATES)
OF LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY) CASE NO. 10064

ORDER

On January 19, 1988, Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") filed a motion, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(4), requesting the establishment of an informal conference with the Commission Staff and all parties. The purpose of the conference is to discuss and explain the issues in this case and provide an opportunity to settle some or all of the issues. LG&E's motion states that the issues presented are complex and voluminous and do not lend themselves to efficient resolution in an adversarial hearing.

On January 25, 1988, Jefferson County, Kentucky, filed a response stating its willingness to attend a settlement conference providing that: 1) an advanced agenda is prepared to insure that the conference is organized; 2) a mutually convenient time is selected so that all counsel are present; and 3) the conference is held sufficiently before the March 22 hearing date. On January 26, 1988, Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers filed a response supporting both LG&E's request for a settlement conference and the aforementioned conditions suggested by Jefferson County.

Based on LG&E's motion and the responses, the Commission is of the opinion and hereby finds that good cause exists to establish a technical conference to commence on March 7, 1988, and continue from day to day as needed. The purpose of the conference is to facilitate discussion of the issues among the parties and the Commission's Staff and, if possible, reach a settlement on some or all issues. LG&E should file by February 29, 1988, an agenda setting forth the suggested issues to be discussed on each day of the conference. Due to the complexity and number of issues presented, the Commission believes that it will be more productive and result in a more efficient use of time and resources if only a limited number of issues are scheduled for discussion on any particular day.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. A technical conference be and it hereby is established to commence on March 7, 1988, at 9:30 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, at the Commission's Offices in Frankfort, Kentucky, to discuss the issues in this case and, if possible, reach a settlement of some or all issues.
- 2. LG&E shall file a suggested agenda with the Commission and all parties no later than February 29, 1988.
- 3. Each party to the case shall have a representative in attendance at the conference with authority, to the extent permitted by law, to enter stipulations of facts and/or a settlement of issues.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 23rd day of February, 1988.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

VICE Chairman

Comissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director