COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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

ORDER

On May 19, 1988, Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") filed a motion stating that while it has the right, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), to place its proposed rates into effect on May 20, 1988, it is willing to forego that right if the Commission will provide that the new rates when approved will be made effective on May 20, 1988.

LG&E's proposal is conditioned upon: (1) the Commission issuing an Order on LG&E's rate application by July 1, 1988; (2) the inclusion in the rate Order of a provision authorizing the collection of higher rates as of May 20, 1988 and that the collection be accomplished by an adjustment over a period of time ending not later than December 31, 1988; and (3) this procedure not being deemed as establishing any precedent. The intent of LG&E's proposal is to avoid at this time the imposition of new rates that may be subject to refund. LG&E's motion further states that no party to this case has any objection to LG&E's proposal.

Based on LG4E's motion, and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and hereby finds that LG4E's willingness to forego its rights under KRS 278.190(2) constitutes good cause for the acceptance of LG&E's proposal that new rates when approved be made effective on May 20, 1988. However, while the Commission intends to make every effort to issue a rate Order by July 1, 1988, if the Order is not issued by that date, LG&E and the parties will then be free to make such provision as they deem necessary with respect to the period beyond July 1, 1988.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that LG&E's Motion be, and it hereby is, granted as provided hereinabove.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 20th day of May, 1988.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Executive Director