

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE REQUEST BY LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC)	
COMPANY AND KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY)	
FOR A DEVIATION, PURSUANT TO 807 KAR 5:058)	CASE NO.
SECTION (2)(1)(c), FROM THE SCHEDULED FILING)	2001-431
OF THEIR 2002 INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN)	

O R D E R

Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company (LG&E/KU) have requested a deviation from the filing schedule contained in 807 KAR 5:058, asking that they be permitted to file their 2002 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) by October 1, 2002, rather than in April of 2002. LG&E/KU s request is made pursuant to 807 KAR 5:058, Section (2)(1)(c), which permits the Commission to modify the IRP filing schedules of jurisdictional electric utilities for good cause shown.

LG&E/KU state that, based on their business planning cycle, the scheduled April 2002 filing of their IRP will be based on demand and energy forecasts prepared in the summer of 2001, meaning the information will be several months old at the time the IRP is filed. It also means that new forecasts will be prepared during the time the IRP is being reviewed by Commission Staff. LG&E/KU believe it is more appropriate to develop their resource plans using more current information and state that filing their IRP in the fall rather than spring will accomplish this by incorporating their 2002 demand and energy forecasts, which will be prepared during the summer of 2002.

Having considered the request, and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds there is sufficient justification to grant the request for deviation and permit LG&E/KU to file their 2002 IRP no later than October 1, 2002.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that LG&E/KU's 2002 IRP, previously scheduled to be filed in April 2002, shall be filed on or before October 1, 2002.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 9th day of January, 2002.

By the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director