COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION OF THE APPLICATION OF)
THE FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF)
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY) CASE NO. 2004-00214
FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2003 TO APRIL 30, 2004)

COMMISSION STAFF'S INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Pursuant to Administrative Regulation 807 KAR 5:001, Commission Staff requests that Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") file the original and 5 copies of the following information with the Commission within 14 days of the date of this request, with a copy to all parties of record. Each copy of the information requested shall be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure its legibility. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

- 1. Refer to Item 5 of the response to the Commission's June 23, 2004 Order.
- a. In the response, there are several references to tube leaks being the cause of outages at various units. Provide a comparison of the number and duration of outages due to tube leaks in the current review period with the number and duration of forced outages due to tube leaks in each of the two previous review periods.

On page 14 of the response, a forced outage of 57:10 hours b.

occurred due to contractor error. Explain whether LG&E has received, or expects to

receive, compensation for the outage from the contractor.

2. Refer to Item 6 of the response to the June 23, 2004 Order. Two

contracts are shown that are due to expire during the remainder of 2004. Explain

LG&E's plans for replacing the tonnage lost due to the expiration of the contracts.

3. Refer to Item 9 of the response to the June 23, 2004 Order. LG&E

increased its coal inventory to reduce possible shortfalls from the risk of Kindell Mining's

("Kindell") parent company declaration of bankruptcy. Provide a description of Kindell's

current financial status. Include therein the status of any Kindell subsidiaries or affiliates

from which LG&E receives coal.

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Parties of Record