COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF DUKE ENERGY)
KENTUCKY, INC. FOR AN ORDER TO)
ENTER INTO UP TO \$25,000,000) CASE NO. 2010-00370
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF CAPITAL)
LEASE OBLIGATIONS)

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST TO DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC.

Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. ("Duke Kentucky"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an original and 10 copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due within 10 days of the date of this request. Responses shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Duke Kentucky shall make timely amendment to any response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which

Duke Kentucky fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Duke Kentucky shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in another proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

- 1. Refer to Duke Kentucky's application at page 7. Paragraph 9 states that the Commission approved up to \$25 million in principal amount of capital lease obligations in Case No. 2008-00504,¹ and that, as of June 30, 2010, there remained approximately \$20.6 million of available authority.
- a. State whether any existing capital lease obligations will count toward the \$25 million. If yes, provide the amount.
- b. Duke Kentucky provided the amount of available authority at June30, 2010. Provide the current amount of the remaining authority.

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DATED OCT 2 2 2010

cc: Parties of Record

¹ Case No. 2008-00504, Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for an Order to Enter into up to \$25,000,000 Principal Amount of Capital Lease Obligations (Ky. PSC Feb. 4, 2009).

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