COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN INVESTIGATION OF THE RELIABILITY MEASURES OF KENTUCKY'S JURISDICTIONAL ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION UTILITIES

ADMINISTRATIVE CASE NO. 2011-00450

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COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO ALL ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION UTILITIES

Each jurisdictional electric distribution utility ("utility"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original and ten copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due no later than March 30, 2012. Responses to requests for information 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 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.

Each utility shall make timely amendment to any prior 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 each utility fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, each utility shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. 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. The following questions relate to the use of a five-year average of System Average Interruption Duration Index ("SAIDI"), System Average Interruption Frequency Index ("SAIFI"), and Customer Average Interruption Duration Index ("CAIDI") on a circuit basis as a benchmark to determine the relative reliability of an individual circuit.

a. In your opinion, is it reasonable for the Commission to require each utility to develop and report a five-year average SAIDI on a circuit-by-circuit basis as a benchmark for comparison purposes? Explain your answer.

b. In your opinion, is it reasonable for the Commission to require each utility to explain why a particular circuit has a higher SAIDI than the utility's five-year average SAIDI for that circuit? Explain your answer.

c. In your opinion, is it reasonable for the Commission to require each utility to explain the planned corrective measures for the circuit with a higher SAIDI than the five-year average? Explain your answer.

d. In your opinion, is it reasonable for the Commission to require each utility to develop and report a five-year average SAIFI on a circuit-by-circuit basis as a benchmark for comparison purposes? Explain your answer.

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e. In your opinion, is it reasonable for the Commission to require each utility to explain why a particular circuit has a higher SAIFI than the utility's five-year average SAIDI for that circuit? Explain your answer.

f. In your opinion, is it reasonable for the Commission to require each utility to explain the planned corrective measures for the circuit with a higher SAIFI than the five-year average? Explain your answer.

g. In your opinion, is it reasonable for the Commission to require each utility to develop and report a five-year average CAIDI on a circuit-by-circuit basis as a benchmark for comparison purposes? Explain your answer.

h. In your opinion, is it reasonable for the Commission to require each utility to explain why a particular circuit has a higher CAIDI than the utility's five-year average SAIDI for that circuit? Explain your answer.

i. In your opinion, is it reasonable for the Commission to require each utility to explain the planned corrective measures for the circuit with a higher CAIDI than the five-year average? Explain your answer.

2. KRS 61.870 through KRS 62.884 address open records of public agencies and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, pertains to confidential material submitted to the Commission. Do you anticipate that some information submitted concerning the utility's circuits, whether with regard to SAIDI, SAIFI, CAIDI, or other reporting, could contain confidential, proprietary, or critical infrastructure information for which a petition for confidential information may also be submitted? Explain your answer. In your answer, provide examples of the type of information for which you may seek confidential protection.

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3. Please describe your utility's current capacity to compose electronic documents.

a. Is the utility familiar with or currently using Microsoft Office products such as MS Word or Excel? If so, include the name and version(s) of the software currently used.

b. Describe your utility's current internet connectivity status, including connection speed.

c. Is the utility familiar with the Commission's website?

d. Has your utility registered on the PSC website and does it have a valid username and password? (This registration would currently be used for Electronic Case Filing, Annual Reports, and Tariff Filings).

e. If recommended, would your utility have technical staff available to interface with the PSC Information Services Team to assist in the design and implementation of an automated process for uploading data to the Commission?

4. The following questions relate to the manner by which the utility tracks SAIDI, SAIFI, and CAIDI as stated in response to Items 2. (a) and (b) of the Commission's Order of January 11, 2012.

a. This question applies to Kentucky Power Company ("Kentucky Power"), Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Blue Grass Energy Cooperative Corporation, Clark Energy Cooperative, Inc., Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. ("Duke"), Farmers Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Fleming-Mason Energy Cooperative, Inc., Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation, Jackson Energy Cooperative Corporation, Jackson Purchase

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Energy Corporation, Kenergy Corp., Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU"), Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E"), Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc., Salt River Electric Cooperative Corporation, Shelby Energy Cooperative, Inc., South Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, and Taylor County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation all of which reported that they tracked SAIDI, SAIFI, and CAIDI using an outage management system or an outage management system in conjunction with an Excel spreadsheet.

(1) Does your utility have the ability to export (or upload) the data to another data base or data system (including an Excel spreadsheet) maintained by the Commission? If not, explain why.

(2) If not identified elsewhere, identify the file formats to which your utility has the ability to export data.

b. This question applies to Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc. and Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, who reported that they tracked SAIDI, SAIFI, and CAIDI manually. Does your utility have the ability to export (or upload) the data to another data base or data system (including an Excel spreadsheet) maintained by the Commission? If not, explain why.

8. Explain how the SAIDI, SAIFI, and CAIDI indices influence the allocation of capital for system improvement projects within the utility. For the Investor-Owned Utilities Kentucky Power, Duke, KU, and LG&E, explain the manner in which the parent company influences the amount and allocation of capital for system reliability improvements.

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9. Does the utility currently share other types of data with entities outside your organization? If yes, describe those other sharing systems and data, and with whom your utility shares the information.

10. Identify any disadvantages to making the reliability index numbers available on the Commission's website.

11. Identify any advantages to making the reliability index numbers available on the Commission's website.

12. In your opinion, what information would the utility's customers be most interested in having easily accessible? In your opinion, is it more appropriate to have this information available by circuit or system averages? How does your utility relay reliability information to your customers? Explain your answers.

13. If not identified elsewhere, describe the reliability information available for public review on your utility's website.

14. If the utility's customer requests information from the utility on reliability measures, do you provide it? Explain your answer.

15. Does the utility have a suggestion for a better or more efficient method or manner for reporting or providing reliability information to the public?

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