### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

VERIFIED JOINT APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE	)	
GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY AND KENTUCKY	)	CASE NO.
UTILITIES COMPANY FOR A REGULATORY	)	2013-00171
ACCOUNTING ORDER	)	

## ORDER

On May 7, 2013, Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") and Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU"), (collectively "the Companies"), filed a request for approval to continue the existing regulatory asset treatment for amounts that might otherwise require recognition as an expense in connection with offering a voluntary lump-sum payment to certain former employees. Having reviewed the Companies' filing, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the request. We also find that the procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, should be followed in this proceeding. A person who submits a motion to intervene after May 31, 2013 and, upon a showing of good cause for the untimely intervention, is granted full intervention shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

The Commission expects the parties to use their best efforts to informally resolve any discovery disputes or requests for extensions of time. Absent informal resolution, an objection or motion should be filed at least four business days prior to the established due date. If this deadline is not met, the filing party should include in the written objection or motion a full and complete explanation for such failure.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, the procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, shall be followed when filing papers in this proceeding.
- 2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, shall be followed in this proceeding.
- 3. a. Responses to requests for information shall be filed in accordance with the electronic filing procedures set out in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, and shall be appropriately indexed and bookmarked and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided, with copies to all parties of record and a paper copy to the Commission.
- b. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or an 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.
- c. A party shall make timely amendment to any prior responses 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.
- d. For any requests to which a party fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

- 4. Any party filing testimony shall file in accordance with the electronic filing procedures set out in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, with one paper copy to the Commission.
- 5. All parties shall respond to any interrogatories and requests for production of documents that Commission Staff submits in accordance with the procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix.
- 6. The Companies shall give notice of any hearing in this matter in accordance with the provisions set out in 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(5). At the time publication is requested, the Companies shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.
- 7. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.
- 8. Any objections or motions relating to discovery or procedural dates shall be filed upon four business days' notice or the filing party shall explain, in writing, why such notice was not possible.
- 9. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.
- 10. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

By the Commission

**ENTERED** 

MAY 23 2013

KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Executive Director

Case No. 2013-00171

# APPENDIX

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2013-00171 DATED WAY 2 3 2013

A person interested in becoming a party to this proceeding shall file a motion to intervene with the Commission pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11) no later than	.05/31/13
All initial requests for information to KU and LG&E shall be filed no later than	06/11/13
KU and LG&E shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than	06/21/13
All supplemental requests for information to KU and LG&E shall be filed no later than	07/01/13
KU and LG&E shall file response to supplemental requests for information no later than	07/11/13

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