COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC)
COMPANY AND KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY)
REGARDING ENTRANCE INTO REFINED COAL) CASE NO.
AGREEMENTS, FOR PROPOSED ACCOUNTING) 2015-00264
AND FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE TREATMENT,)
AND FOR DECLARATORY RULING)

ORDER

On August 19, 2015, Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company (collectively "the Companies") tendered an application requesting that the Commission grant approval to enter into agreements relating to proposed refined-coal production arrangements ("Agreements") at the Companies' Ghent, Mill Creek, and Trimble County generating stations. The Agreements included the long-term repurchase of refined coal for the duration of the approximately six-year term of the agreements. Although the Companies do not believe that Commission approval is required under KRS 278.300, the Companies requested that the Commission grant approval if the Commission determined the repurchase provisions in the Agreements constitute evidence of indebtedness under KRS 278.300. The application included a request that the Commission consider this matter as expeditiously as possible and issue an Order by October 15, 2015. On September 25, 2015, in a cover letter filed with their responses to data requests, the Companies informed the Commission that, due to

certain project delays, they now request a decision by December 1, 2015, instead of by October 25, 2015. The Commission will deem the cover letter as a motion.

Pursuant to KRS 278.300(2), the Commission shall have 60 days from the date of the filing to consider the Companies' application for authority to issue or assume securities or evidences of indebtedness unless it is necessary for good cause to continue to application for longer time than 60 days. Due to the Companies' motion requesting an extension of time, it will be necessary to extend the time for ruling on the request for approval of the Agreements, should the Commission determine that the Agreements constitute evidences of indebtedness under KRS 278.300. Therefore, the Commission finds that good cause exists to continue the financing application beyond the 60-day period specified in KRS 278.300(2).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- The Companies' motion to extend the time requested for a Commission determination until December 1, 2015, is granted.
- The Companies' application for authority, if needed, to issue or assume securities or evidence of indebtedness in connection with its request to enter into the Agreements is continued beyond the 60-day period specified in KRS 278.300(2).

By the Commission

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