

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF DUKE	)	
ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC. FOR AN	)	CASE NO.
ADJUSTMENT TO RIDER ASRP RATES	)	2018-00198
AND FOR TARIFF APPROVAL	)	

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

Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (Duke Kentucky), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original in paper medium and an electronic version of the following information. The information requested herein is due within 14 days of the entry of this Request for Information. Responses to requests for information in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked. 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 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 Duke Kentucky fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, it 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 this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When filing a paper containing personal information, Duke Kentucky shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to the February 2, 2016 Order in Case No. 2015-00210,<sup>1</sup> that approved Duke Kentucky's Accelerated Service Line Replacement Program (ASRP) and in which Duke Kentucky proposed that the ASRP program begin in 2016 and end in 2020 at a projected cost of \$50 million. Also refer to the December 16, 2016 Order in Case No. 2016-00228,<sup>2</sup> which states that based upon experience gained while performing field reconnaissance, Duke Kentucky reduced the total projected cost of its ASRP from \$50 million to a range of \$34 to \$38 million. Confirm that Duke Kentucky still plans on completing the ASRP in 2020 and that the projected costs of \$34 to \$38 million are still

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<sup>1</sup> Case No. 2015-00210, *Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing the Implementation of an Accelerated Service Line Replacement Program, Approval of Ownership of Service Lines, and a Gas Pipeline Replacement Surcharge* (Ky. PSC Feb 2, 2016).

<sup>2</sup> Case No. 2016-00228, *Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for an Adjustment to Rider ASRP and for Tariff Approval* (Ky. PSC Dec. 16, 2016).

accurate. If this cannot be confirmed, explain in full detail why not and provide an updated target date and the projected cost for the project.


2. Provide the actual number of service lines replaced by year since the inception of the ASRP program and the actual capital spending associated with the number of service lines replaced each year. Provide this information through the most recent month available for 2018. Provide the estimated service line replacements and capital spending by year for the remaining years of the ASRP project.

3. Refer to the Application, Exhibit 1, Schedule 2.4 titled O&M Meter Relocation. This schedule shows no projected operation and maintenance (O&M) expenses related to meter relocations during 2019.

a. State whether Duke has already identified and relocated each meter eligible to be relocated under the ASRP.

b. If not, explain why there are no projected O&M expenses related to meter relocations for 2019.

4. Provide a copy of the Exhibits to the Application in Excel format with all cells visible and unprotected, and all formulas intact.



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