COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC JOINT APPLICATION OF)	
KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY AND)	CASE NO.
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR)	2018-00304
AN ORDER APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT)	
OF REGULATORY LIABILITIES AND)	
REGULATORY ASSETS)	

ORDER

This matter arises from a motion requesting confidential treatment, pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c) and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, filed by Kentucky Utilities Company and Louisville Gas and Electric Company (jointly KU/LG&E) on October 15, 2018.

In its motion, KU/LG&E requests confidential treatment for five years for information contained in its response to the Attorney General's Initial Data Requests for Information, Item 6(b). In particular, KU/LG&E notes that its response to Item 6(b) contains copies of contracts setting forth rates and costs of contractors that provided work for KU/LG&E in the aftermath of the July 2018 Storm. KU/LG&E states that disclosure of this information would hinder its ability to receive the best proposals from contractors and procure the best contractor rates in future negotiations. KU/LG&E contends that diminishing its ability to receive the best proposals and contract for the best possible terms would harm both the companies and their customers through increased costs of service.

Having carefully considered the motion and the materials at issue, the Commission finds that the designated material in the confidentiality motion of KU/LG&E meets the

criteria for confidential treatment and is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c) and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. KU/LG&E's October 15, 2018 motion for confidential treatment is granted.
- 2. The designated materials for which KU/LG&E seeks confidential treatment shall not be placed in the public record or made available for public inspection for a period of five years or until further Orders of this Commission.
- 3. Use of the materials in question in any Commission proceeding shall be in compliance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(9).
- 4. KU/LG&E shall inform the Commission if the materials in question become publicly available or no longer qualify for confidential treatment.
- 5. If a non-party to this proceeding requests to inspect materials granted confidential treatment by this Order and the period during which the materials have been granted confidential treatment has not run, then KU/LG&E shall have 20 days from receipt of written notice of the request to demonstrate that the materials still fall within the exclusions from disclosure requirements established in KRS 61.878. If KU/LG&E is unable to make such demonstration, the requested materials shall be made available for inspection. Otherwise, the Commission shall deny the request for inspection.
- 6. The Commission shall not make the requested materials available for inspection for 20 days following an Order finding that the materials no longer qualify for confidential treatment in order to allow KU/LG&E to seek a remedy afforded by law.

By the Commission

ENTERED

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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