COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matters of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF ITS ELECTRIC RATES, A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO DEPLOY ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE, APPROVAL OF CERTAIN REGULATORY AND ACCOUNTING TREATMENTS, AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A ONE-YEAR SURCREDIT)))))	CASE NO. 2020-00349
ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF ITS ELECTRIC AND GAS RATES, A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO DEPLOY ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE, APPROVAL OF CERTAIN REGULATORY AND ACCOUNTING TREATMENTS, AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A ONE-YEAR SURCREDIT))))))	CASE NO. 2020-00350

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO KENTUCKY INDUSTRIAL UTILITY CUSTOMERS, INC.

Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc. (KIUC), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is

to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested herein is due on April 1, 2021. The Commission directs KIUC to the Commission's March 16, 2020 and March 24, 2020 Orders in Case No. 2020-00085¹

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC Mar. 16, 2020), Order at 5–6. Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC Mar. 24, 2020), Order at 1–3.

regarding filings with the Commission. The Commission expects the original documents to be filed with the Commission within 30 days of the lifting of the current state of emergency. All responses 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.

KIUC shall make timely amendment to any prior response if KIUC obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which KIUC fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, KIUC 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 these proceedings 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, KIUC shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

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1. Refer to Refer to the Direct Testimony of Heath A. Lovell, page 3, which states that River View Coal, LLC takes service pursuant to Kentucky Utilities Company's (KU) RTS rate schedule and page 8, which states that the Coal Mine Economic Development Rate could make expansion of mining activities more economic and competitive. Also refer to Tab 4 of the Application, P.S.C. No. 20, Original Sheet No. 71, and P.S.C. No. 20, Original Sheet No. 71.1, Economic Development Rider. As KU's Economic Development Rider is available to RTS customers and to existing customers contracting for a minimum monthly billing load of 1,000 kVA above their Existing Base Load, and at least a 50 percent load factor, explain why coal mining customers would not be able to take advantage of that Rider.

2. Provide the average monthly usage and the corresponding bill for River View Coal, LLC at the current and proposed rates.

3. Regarding the proposed Coal Mine Economic Development Rate, explain whether Mr. Lovell believes coal production is more of a result of the market forces of supply and demand or energy costs.

4. Explain whether the proposed Coal Mine Economic Development Rate will cause inter-class subsidies.

5. Explain whether the proposed Coal Mine Economic Development Rate will cause intra-class subsidies.

6. Provide a chart listing the rates of River View Coal, LLC's competitors in Kentucky and the surrounding states.

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