COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter 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

ORDER

On July 2, 2021, Kentucky Solar Industries Association, Inc. (KYSEIA) filed a motion requesting to amend the procedural schedule established on June 30, 2021. As a basis for its motion, KYSEIA stated that its expert witnesses have significant procedural events occurring in other jurisdictions that conflict with the date to file supplemental testimony in this matter. KYSEIA further stated that the current procedural schedule creates a material hardship and that, if the procedural schedule is not amended, its witnesses may not be able to participate in this proceeding.

KYSEIA requested the following amended procedural dates be established:

Procedural Event	Current Procedural Date	KYSEIA's Proposed Schedule
Supplemental Testimony	July 13, 2021	July 20, 2021
Supplemental Requests		
for Information to all		
Parties	July 22, 2021	July 29, 2021
Parties' Responses to		
Supplemental Requests		
for Information	August 2, 2021	August 9, 2021
Rebuttal Testimony	August 5, 2021	August 12, 2021

On July 6, 2021, Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company (jointly, LG&E/KU) filed a joint response to KYSEIA's motion, stating that, while LG&E/KU can comply with the established procedural schedule, they do not object to KYSEIA's proposed schedule.

On July 8, 2021, Kentucky Solar Energy Society, Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, Mountain Association, Intervenors in Case No. 2020-00349, and Metropolitan Housing Coalition, Intervenor in Case No. 2020-00350 (collectively, Joint Intervenors) filed a joint response in support of KYSEIA's motion to amend the procedural schedule. Joint Intervenors asserted that KYSEIA's participation materially contributes to the full exploration of issues. Joint Intervenors further asserted that the amended procedural schedule was a small adjustment that the parties did not oppose.

On June 30, 2021, the Commission issued an Order that decided all matters in both proceedings except the proposed tariff revisions to net metering tariffs (NMS-1 and NMS-2) and qualifying facilities tariffs (SQF and LQF). The Commission continued both proceedings in order to develop a robust evidentiary record and directed LG&E/KU, and intervening parties to the extent possible, to file certain information that, among other things, addressed avoided cost inputs necessary to calculate the net metering export rate for NMS-2. The Commission scheduled a joint hearing on August 17–18, 2021. The statutory date for rendering a decision is September 24, 2021.

Based on the motion, LG&E/KU's response, and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that KYSEIA failed to establish good cause to amend the procedural schedule because it provides only two business days between the parties' filing rebuttal testimony and the first day of the scheduled hearing. Two days is not sufficient time for Commission Staff to review key information and prepare for the hearing. If the parties can come to an agreement that maintains the current hearing schedule and provides sufficient time for Commission Staff to prepare for the hearing between the date the rebuttal testimony is filed and the first day of the hearing, the Commission will consider the matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that KYSEIA's motion to amend the procedural schedule is denied.

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