COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC JOINT APPLICATION OF)	
ESSENTIAL UTILITIES, INC., LDC FUNDING,)	
LLC, LDC HOLDING LLC, PNG COMPANIES)	CASE NO.
LLC, AND DELTA NATURAL GAS COMPANY,)	2021-00283
INC. FOR APPROVAL OF AN INDIRECT)	
CHANGE OF CONTROL OF DELTA NATURAL)	
GAS COMPANY, INC.)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO ESSENTIAL UTILITIES, INC., LDC FUNDING, LLC, LDC HOLDING LLC,
PNG COMPANIES LLC, AND DELTA NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.

Essential Utilities, Inc., LDC Funding, LLC, LDC Holding LLC, PNG Companies LLC, and Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. (collectively, Joint Applicants), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, are to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on August 31, 2021. The Commission directs Joint Applicants to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. 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

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-* 19 (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

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.

Joint Applicants shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Joint Applicants obtain 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 Joint Applicants fail or refuse to furnish all or part of the requested information, Joint Applicants 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 applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, Joint Applicants shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. State whether the proposed merger will result in any financial savings for Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. that should applied to the forecasted test year expenses in the rate case, Case No. 2021-00185.²

² Case No. 2021-00185, Electronic Application of Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. for an Adjustment of Its Rates and a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (filed June 4, 2021).

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Public Service Commission

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