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March 31, 2005

Mr. John J. Finnegan 139 East Fourth Street Rm 25 AT II P. O. Box 960 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-0960

RE: March 24, 2005

Informal Conference Case No. 2003-00252

Dear Mr. Finnegan:

Enclosed please find a memorandum that has been filed in the record of the above—referenced case. Any comments regarding the contents of the memorandum should be submitted to the Commission within seven days of receipt of this letter. Any questions regarding this memorandum should be directed to Mr. Jeff Shaw of the Commission Staff at 502-564-3940, Extension 237.

Sincerely

Beth O'Donnell Executive Director

Attachment

CC: Parties of Record



INTRA-AGENCY MEMORANDUM

KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

TO: Main Case File - Case No. 2003-00252

FROM: Jeff Shaw, Division of Financial Analysis

DATE: March 31, 2005

SUBJECT: March 24, 2005 Informal Conference

An informal conference held March 24, 2005 was attended by The Union Light, Heat and Power Company ("ULH&P"), the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky ("AG"), and Commission Staff ("Staff"). The purpose of the conference was to discuss issues related to ULH&P's pending acquisition of approximately 1,100 MW of generating capacity from its parent, The Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company. ULH&P provided a handout outlining the issues in its conference presentation, a copy of which is attached hereto. An attendance list for the conference is also attached hereto.

ULH&P discussed and responded to questions from the AG and Staff concerning changes to various documents pertinent to the transfer of the generating facilities. It also provided an update on the status of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and Securities and Exchange Commission proceedings regarding the transfer as well as an overview of the recent amendment to its related financing application which is pending before the Commission in Case No. 2005-00027. ULH&P also responded to Staff's questions regarding its request for waivers from certain of the conditions contained in the Commission's December 5, 2003 interim order in this case.

The conference was adjourned with the understanding that ULH&P would make a supplemental filing to clarify some of the issues that were discussed and that Staff would issue a memorandum summarizing the issues discussed at the conference.

Attachments

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

THE APPLICATION OF THE UNION LIGHT, HEAT AND POWER COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE TO ACQUIRE CERTAIN GENERATION RESOURCES AND RELATED

In the Matter of:

PROPERTY; FOR APPROVAL OF CERTAIN PURCHASE POWER AGREEMENTS; FOR APPROVAL OF CERTAIN ACCOUNTING TREATMENT; AND FOR APPROVAL OF DEVIATION FROM REQUIREMENTS OF KRS 278.2207 AND 278.2213(6)			CASE NO. 2003-00252
March 24, 2005 Informal Conference			
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Informal Conference March 24, 2005

ULH&P Attendees

Dorothy Corbett - Sr. Counsel, Legal Corporate

- Kelvin Davis Team Lead, Analytic and Investment Engineering
- George Dwight Section Head, Legal Corporate
- John Finnigan Sr. Counsel, Legal Regulatory
- Kate Moriarty Section Head, Legal Regulatory
- Michael Pahutski Sr. Counsel, Legal Regulatory



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FERC Status

- Approval of Facilities Operation Agreement received on March 2, 2005
- Approval of Purchase, Sale and Operations Agreement received on March 3, 2005
 - Filed conforming amendment for use of LMP pricing for system energy transfers
 - Comment period ends April 5, 2005



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SEC Status

opposition Ohio Consumers' Counsel intervened in

- Raised primarily state issues
- transfer the Plants to ULH&P CG&E confident it has authority to
- ORC 4928.17(E) specifically divests PUCC of jurisdiction over generation



SEC Status

- 2005 CG&E responded to OCC's intervention on March 4,
- Expect SEC ruling in near future
- July 1, 2005 Expected effective closing date either May 1, 2005 or
- Should still hit 1/1/07 rate effective date
- ULH&P to pro forma CG&E's 2005 O&M and G&A costs associated with the Plants



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- Currently, Back-up Agreement an "Into Product"
 - Permits Seller to choose where to deliver power, provided that Buyer can physically take it from there.
- MISO Day-2
 - Congestion and losses between commercial pricing nodes (CPN)
 - CINERGY.HUB
 - Aggregation of non-constrained CPNs
 - CG&E/ULH&P Load Zone
 - CPN where ULH&P will take energy from MISO



Back-up Agreement Points of Receipt

- Under current scenario, CG&E could choose to deliver back-up energy to low-priced CPN.
- ULH&P responsible for congestion, losses from there to CG&E/ULH&P Load Zone
- Bidders, seeing CG&E's offer (Into Product), will likely bid accordingly
- ULH&P could be stuck with significant congestion, losses
- receipt To mitigate this risk, ULH&P is asking CG&E to amend points of
- CINERGY.HUB
- CG&E/ULH&P Load Zone
- CG&E will have to re-price Back-up Agreement to factor in congestion/loss risk
- Will not re-price the energy/demand components



Back-up Agreement Points of Receipt

- with KyPSC ULH&P will file amended Back-up Agreement
- Provides full transparency to bidders
- ULH&P will then issue RFP
- Further insulates ULH&P ratepayers from market forces
- Congestion and losses in MISO's Energy Market



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Amendment to Financing Application

- CG&E a taxable event ULH&P's issuance of Promissory Note to
- taxable ULH&P's assumption of CG&E debt non-
- Amended Financing Application to permit ULH&P commensurate amount of CG&E debt to pay for Plants through assumption of
- Equal to tax basis less other assumed debt (taxexempt pollution control bonds)

