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RE: AN INVESTIGATION OF THE RELIABILITY MEASURES OF KENTUCKY'S JURISDICTIONAL ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION UTILITIES AND CERTAIN RELIABILITY MAINTENANCE PRACTICES
Adm Case 2006-00494

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Attached please find an original and seven (7) copies of Kentucky Utilities Company's ("KU") and Louisville Gas and Electric Company's Updated Response to Item Nos. 14 and 15 of the Information Requested in Appendix A of the Commission's Order dated December 12, 2006.

Should you have any questions concerning the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Rick E. Lovekamp

cc: Parties of Record

**KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY
AND
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**

ADMINISTRATIVE CASE NO. 2006-00494

Updated Response to Commission's Order dated December 12, 2006

Question No. 14

Responding Witness: Paul G. Thomas

Q-14. How often does the utility clear its distribution easements?

A-14. The average cycle for 2006 was 4.73 years for KU and 4.55 years for LG&E.

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Question No. 15

Responding Witness: Paul G. Thomas

Q-15. How much has the utility spent on distribution easement clearing for each of the last 5 years? Include the cost per mile expended.

A-15. The total company distribution easement clearing expense including storm restoration for each of the last 5 years:

KU

Year	Tree Trimming Expense (Account 593004)+	Cost Per Mile
2002	\$ 7,487,806	\$ 2,524
2003	\$ 8,589,772	\$ 3,042
2004	\$ 10,667,048	\$ 3,149
2005	\$ 11,448,430	\$ 3,819
2006	\$ 10,340,720	\$ 4,504

LG&E

Year	Tree Trimming Expense (Account 593004)+	Cost Per Mile
2002	\$ 3,650,551	\$ 3,981
2003	\$ 2,980,769	\$ 5,113
2004	\$ 4,658,940	\$ 6,562
2005	\$ 3,924,483	\$ 4,224
2006	\$ 5,863,493	\$ 5,732

+ Costs include company labor and non-labor (contractor).
Costs do not include capital related projects.