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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

RE: Case No. 2008-00090 Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.

I, Stephanie Stumbo, Executive Director of the Public Service Commission, hereby certify that the enclosed attested copy of the Commission's Order in the above case was served upon the addressee by U.S. Mail on March 20, 2008.

**Executive Director** 

SS/dw Enclosure

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## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FILING OF DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC.

CASE NO. 2008-00090

## ORDER

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On February 2, 2006, in Case No. 2005-00042,<sup>1</sup> the Commission approved rates for Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. ("Duke") and provided for their further adjustment in accordance with Duke's Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On March 12, 2008, Duke filed its GCA to be effective April 1, 2008. Duke previously obtained Commission approval to file its GCA within 20 days of the proposed effective date.<sup>2</sup>

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Duke's notice includes rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in wholesale gas costs.

2. Duke's Expected Gas Cost ("EGC") is \$11.285 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$1.792 per Mcf from its previous EGC of \$9.493.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Case No. 2005-00042, Adjustment of the Gas Rates of The Union Light, Heat and Power Company.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Case No. 2003-00386, The Application of The Union Light, Heat and Power Company for Authority to Make Monthly Adjustments to the Expected Gas Cost Component of Its Gas Cost Adjustment Rate, Order dated November 6, 2003.

3. Duke's notice sets out no current Refund Adjustment ("RA"). Duke's notice sets out a total RA of \$0 per Mcf, which is no change from its previous total RA.

4. Duke's notice sets out no current quarter Actual Adjustment ("AA"). Duke's notice sets out a total AA of \$.591 per Mcf, which is no change from its previous total AA.

5. Duke's notice sets out no current quarter Balancing Adjustment ("BA"). Duke's notice sets out a total BA of \$.032 per Mcf, which is no change from its previous total BA.

6. Duke's Gas Cost Recovery Rate ("GCR") is \$11.908 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$1.792 per Mcf from its previous GCR of \$10.116.

7. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and should be approved for final meter readings by Duke on and after April 1, 2008.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are approved for final meter readings on and after April 1, 2008.

2. Within 20 days from the date of this Order, Duke shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

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Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 20th day of March, 2008.

By the Commission

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#### APPENDIX

## APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2008-00090 DATED MARCH 20, 2008

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

### GAS SERVICE RATES

# RATE RS RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

	Base <u>Rate</u>	Gas Cost <u>Adjustment</u>	Total <u>Rate</u>
Commodity Charge for All Ccf Consumed	\$.26687 plus	\$1.1908	\$1.45767
RATE GS GENERAL SERVICE			
	Base <u>Rate</u>	Gas Cost <u>Adjustment</u>	Total <u>Rate</u>
Commodity Charge for All Ccf Consumed	\$.20949	\$1.1908	\$1.40029

### RIDER GCAT GAS COST ADJUSTMENT TRANSITION RIDER

The amount of this charge or (credit) shall be \$.0623 per 100 cubic feet. This rate shall be in effect during the months of March 2008 through May 2008 and shall be updated quarterly, concurrent with the Company's GCA filings.