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Ms. Stephanie Stumbo
Executive Director
Kentucky Public Service Commission
211 Sower Boulevard
Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

Re: Case No. 2008-00139

Dear Ms. Stumbo:

Enclosed please find an original and twelve copies of the Motion to Admit Rocco O. D'Ascenzo Pro Hac Vice of Duke Energy Kentucky in the above captioned case.

Please date-stamp the extra two copies and return to me in the enclosed envelope.

Sincerely,

Anita M. Schafer
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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)
 Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.)
 For a Certificate of Public Convenience and) Case No. 2008-00139
 Necessity to Construct Gas Distribution)
 Distribution Facilities Within its Service)
 Territory)

MOTION TO ADMIT ROCCO O. D'ASCENZO PRO HAC VICE

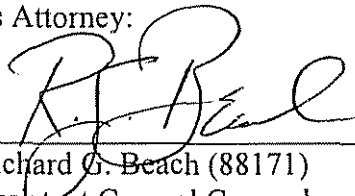
Richard G. Beach, an attorney licensed to practice in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, hereby moves the Commission to admit Rocco O. D'Ascenzo to practice law before the Commission *pro hac vice*, on behalf of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. ("Duke Energy Kentucky"), in the above-captioned proceeding.

Rocco O. D'Ascenzo is Regulatory Counsel, employed by Duke Energy Shared Services, Inc., a subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation. Applicant's business address is 139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45201. Further, Rocco O. D'Ascenzo having been admitted in 2004, is a member in good standing with the bar of the state of Ohio, Registration No. 0077651, and has never been suspended, disbarred or resigned as a result of disciplinary charge, investigation, or proceeding from the practice of law in any jurisdiction. No disciplinary proceeding has ever been filed against Rocco O. D'Ascenzo nor is any presently pending against him in any jurisdiction. In connection with this proceeding, Rocco O. D'Ascenzo agrees to be subject to the rules of the Commission and the Kentucky Bar Association. An affidavit executed by Rocco O. D'Ascenzo attesting to these facts is attached hereto.

Furthermore, attached please find the original Kentucky Bar Association Out-Of-State Certification on behalf of Rocco O. D'Ascenzo Jr., indicating Rocco O. D'Ascenzo's compliance with Supreme Court Rule 3.030(2), and the attached Affidavit of Rocco O. D'Ascenzo.

WHEREFORE, Duke Energy Kentucky, through counsel, specifically requests the Commission to grant its motion to allow Rocco O. D'Ascenzo to appear and practice before it in the above-entitled matter *pro hac vice*.

Its Attorney:



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AFFIDAVIT OF ROCCO O. D'ASCENZO, JR.

State of Ohio)
)
County of Hamilton)

Comes now Rocco O. D'Ascenzo, Jr., employed by Duke Energy Shared Services, Inc., and does hereby attest as follows:

(1) I submit this Affidavit to the Kentucky Public Service Commission in connection with my request to be admitted to practice Pro Hac Vice before the Commission in Case No. 2008-00139.

(2) I was admitted to the bar of the State of Ohio in 2004, Registration No. 0077651, am a member in good standing with the bar of that state, and have never been suspended, disbarred or resigned as a result of disciplinary charge, investigation, or proceeding from the practice of law in any jurisdiction. No disciplinary proceedings have ever been filed against me, nor are any presently pending against me in any jurisdiction.

(3) I agree to be subject to the rules of the Commission and the Kentucky Bar Association in connection with the proceedings before the Public Service Commission in Case No. 2008-00139. In accordance with Supreme Court Rule 3.030(2), I agree to have a member of the Kentucky Bar Association present with me as co-counsel during the hearing in Case No. 2008-00139 and at all other times required by the Commission.

(4) I have complied with Supreme Court Rule 3.030(2), and hereby attach a copy of the Kentucky Bar Association Out-Of-State Certification provided by the Kentucky Bar Association to me for this proceeding.



Sworn and subscribed before me by Rocco O. D'ASCENZO this 2nd day of MAY 2008.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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KENTUCKY BAR ASSOCIATION OUT-OF-STATE CERTIFICATION FORM


COURT Kentucky Public Service Commission

CASE NO. 2008-00139

SCR 3.030 Membership, practice by nonmembers and classes of membership

(2) A person admitted to practice in another state, but not in this state, shall be permitted to practice a case in this state only if that attorney subjects himself or herself to the jurisdiction and rules of the court governing professional conduct, pays a per case fee of \$100.00 to the Kentucky Bar Association and engages a member of the association as co-counsel, whose presence shall be necessary at all trials and at other times when required by the court. No motion for permission to practice in any state court in this jurisdiction shall be granted without submission to the admitting court of a certification from the Kentucky Bar Association of receipt of this fee.

The Kentucky Bar Association certifies that Rocco O. D'Ascenzo, Jr. has paid the per case fee of \$100.00 in the above referenced case as required in SCR 3.030(2).



Nicole A. Key, Deputy Registrar