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Re: Louisville Gas and Electric Company's - Petition for Confidentiality received 8/12/08 PSC Case Nos. 2007-00564 and 2008-00252

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition filed August 12, 2008 on behalf of LG&E to protect as confidential certain information in its response to Item 46 of the First Data Request of Commission staff dated July 16, 2008. This information is identified in the Petition as employee salaries. A review of the information has determined that the employee salaries do not meet the criteria for confidentiality. Therefore, this information is denied confidential protection.

The Commission's decision to deny confidential protection is based on the fact that employee salaries are included as an expense in base rates. As a result, the ratepayers are required to pay the employee salaries. The Commission notes that this denial is consistent with its decision in LG&E's last rate case denying confidential protection to the same information on employee salaries.

The information denied confidentiality will be withheld from public inspection for 20 days from the date of this letter. If you disagree with the Commission's decision, you may seek rehearing with the Commission within 20 days of the date of this letter under the provisions of KRS 278.400.

Sincerely anie Stumbo **Executive** Director

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