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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

RE: Case No. 2008-00328 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 August 20, 2008.

**Executive Director** 

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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. 2008-00328

#### ORDER

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 August 8, 2008, Duke filed its GCA to be effective August 28, 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 \$10.410 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$2.182 per Mcf from its previous EGC of \$12.592.

<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 quarter Refund Adjustment ("RA"). Duke's notice sets out a total RA of (\$.001) per Mcf, which is no change from its previous total RA.

4. Duke's notice sets out a current quarter Actual Adjustment ("AA") of \$(.969) per Mcf. Duke's notice sets out a total AA of \$.030 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.314 per Mcf from its previous total AA.

5. Duke's notice sets out a current quarter Balancing Adjustment ("BA") of \$.080 per Mcf. Duke's notice sets out a total BA of \$.120 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.083 per Mcf from its previous total BA.

6. Duke's Gas Cost Recovery Rate ("GCR") is \$10.559 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$2.413 per Mcf from its previous GCR of \$12.972.

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 August 28, 2008.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are approved for final meter readings on and after August 28, 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 August, 2008.

By the Commission

ATTES funko Executive Director

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### APPENDIX

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2008-00328 DATED AUGUST 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	\$1.0559	\$1.32277
	RATE GS GENERAL SERVICE		
	Base <u>Rate</u>	Gas Cost <u>Adjustment</u>	Total <u>Rate</u>
Commodity Charge for All Ccf Consumed	\$.20949	\$1.0559	\$1.26539

# RIDER GCAT GAS COST ADJUSTMENT TRANSITION RIDER

The amount of this charge or (credit) shall be \$.0149 per 100 cubic feet. This rate shall be in effect during the months of September 2008 through November 2008 and shall be updated quarterly, concurrent with the Company's GCA filings.