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LG&E and KU Services Company
Attention: Allyson Sturgeon
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Louisville, Kentucky 40202

Re: Kentucky Utilities Company
Petition for Confidential Protection received 2/14/11
PSC Reference #: 2010-00492

Dear Ms. Sturgeon:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Protection you filed on February 14, 2011 on behalf of Kentucky Utilities company ("KU") to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.878. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as being contained in KU's Responses to information requested in Appendix B of PSC Order dated January 26, 2011, Item Nos. 6, 9, 21 and 24. The information is more particularly described as (Item 6): forecasted sales revenues; (Item 9): planned maintenance schedules; (Item 21a): Weir Report and a copy of two settlement agreements and releases with coal suppliers; and (Item 24): bid analysis information.


Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise KU's competitive position in the industry, which would result in an unfair commercial advantage to its competitors.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information requested to be held confidential is of a proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to KU's competitors. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case. The procedure for

usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.

The Commission notes that you have requested confidential protection for a 5-year period. However, neither KRS 61.878, nor 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7 authorizes information to be held as confidential for a specific period of time, and your Petition does not justify the basis for requesting 5 years. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8(9), Kentucky Utilities Company is obligated to inform the Commission if the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,



Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record