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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Re.

In the Matter of: The Joint Application of Duke Energy Corporation, Cinergy Corp., Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc., Diamond Acquisition Corporation, and Progress Energy, Inc., for

Approval of the Indirect Transfer of Control of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.

PSC Case No. 2011-00124

Dear Mr. Derouen:

Please find enclosed an original and ten (10) copies of the Joint Applicants' Motion to Extend Deadline for Filing Acceptance and Agreement to be Bound by Regulatory Commitments. Please file these documents in the record and return a file-stamped copy to me.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Mark David Goss

Enclosures

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Dennis G. Howard, II

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CORPORATION, CINERGY CORP., DUKE)
ENERGY OHIO, INC., DUKE ENERGY) CASE NO. 2011-00124
KENTUCKY, INC., DIAMOND ACQUISITION)
CORPORATION, AND PROGRESS ENERGY, INC.)
FOR APPROVAL OF THE INDIRECT TRANSFER)
OF CONTROL OF DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC.)

MOTION TO EXTEND DEADLINE FOR FILING ACCEPTANCE AND AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND BY REGULATORY COMMITMENTS

Come now Duke Energy Corporation ("Duke"), Cinergy Corp. ("Cinergy"), Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. ("Duke Ohio"), Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. ("Duke Kentucky"), Diamond Acquisition Corporation ("Diamond"), and Progress Energy, Inc. ("Progress") (collectively "Applicants"), and move the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") for an Order extending the deadline within which the Chief Executive Officers of each Applicant must provide a written acknowledgment accepting, and agreeing to be bound by, all of the regulatory commitments set forth in Appendix B of the Commission's Order of August 2, 2011. The Applicants respectfully request that this deadline be extended by fourteen (14) days from this date, until August 23, 2011.

In support of this Motion, the Applicants state as follows:

1. Commitment 48, as contained in Appendix B to the Commission's August 2, 2011 Order, provides as follows: "Joint Applicants commit that for as long as Duke's post-merger operations include regulated utility service in Kentucky, Duke's post-merger Board of Directors will include at least one non-employee member who is a customer of either Duke

Kentucky, Duke Ohio, or Duke Energy Indiana." Read literally, Commitment 48 requires that for as long as Duke Kentucky engages in regulated utility service within Kentucky, Duke's Board of Directors must at all times include an individual who is a non-employee customer of one of Duke's Midwest utilities.

- 2. As written, Commitment 48 alters the future composition of Duke's Board of Directors since at least one seat on the Board must always be filled by a non-employee customer of one of Duke's Midwest utilities. By extension, this effects Board Member qualifications and presents a significant Board governance issue which must be considered by Duke's Board Governance Committee and, ultimately, by Duke's Board of Directors.
- 3. Because only Duke's Board Governance Committee and its Board of Directors have the authority to alter the qualifications of one of its Board Members, the decision whether to accept and agree to be bound by Commitment 48, either in whole or in part, is a decision which must be made in consultation with the Board of Directors and not solely by either Duke's legal or executive staff.
- 4. This issue must first be brought to the attention of Duke's Board Governance Committee and Board of Directors and an opportunity for discussion and consideration must occur before a decision can be made regarding acceptance of Commitment 48. This process will, at best, take several days to occur because of the necessity of convening meetings of Duke's Board Governance Committee and/or Duke's Board of Directors. Because of the time necessary to consider this issue, the Applicants respectfully request that the Commission extend the deadline for the filing of their acceptances and agreements to be bound by the Regulatory Commitments for a period of fourteen (14) days from this date, until August 23, 2011.

This Motion is not made for purposes of hindrance or delay but in good faith by the Applicants in order to give them an adequate opportunity to discuss and provide for consideration of this very important issue at the Board of Directors level.

WHEREFORE, the Applicants request that the Commission enter an Order sustaining this Motion and providing that the Applicants shall have fourteen (14) days from and after this date, until August 23, 2011, to provide and file their written acceptances and agreements to be bound by the regulatory commitments as contained in Exhibit B to the Commission's August 2, 2011 Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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