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November 28, 2011

Louisville Gas and Electric Company
Attention: Allyson Sturgeon
220 West Main Street
P.O. Box 32010
Louisville, Kentucky 40232

Re: Louisville Gas and Electric Company
Petition for Confidential Protection received 9/1/11
PSC Reference #: 2011-00162

Dear Ms. Sturgeon:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Protection you filed on September 1, 2011 on behalf of Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") 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 LG&E's Response to Attorney General's 2nd Data Request Nos. 2 and 4. The information is described as (No. 2) – spreadsheet that demonstrates embedded cost of capital and annualized costs associated with revolving credit facility; and (No. 4) – 3 rating agency presentations made during 2011.

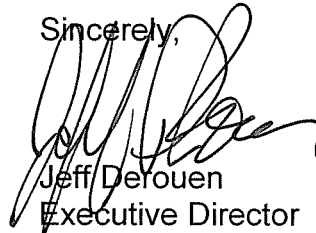
Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise LG&E's competitive position in the industry, which would result in an unfair commercial advantage to its competitors.

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 LG&E'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.

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If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Louisville Gas and Electric Company is required by Section 8(9)(a) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Derouen", is written over the typed name and title.

Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record