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PARTIES OF RECORD

Re: Case No. 2022-00402

This letter is to inform all parties that the Commission retained the services of a consultant, Strategen Consulting, LLC (Strategen Consulting) to assist the Commission and Commission Staff in the review and analysis of the evidentiary record, and provide advice and consultation to the Commission regarding Kentucky Utilities Company and Louisville Gas and Electric Company's (jointly, LG&E/KU) joint application regarding Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for two natural gas combined cycle generation facilities, two solar generation facilities, and one battery storage facility, and four solar purchased power agreements, all proposed in response to the planned retirement of LG&E/KU's coal-fired generation units, Brown Unit 3, Mill Creek Units 1 and 2, and Ghent Unit 2; and a proposed demand-side management plan.

The scope of the contract is for Strategen Consulting to assist the Commission in research and analysis of LG&E/KU's proposed application in terms of economic cost, ratepayer impact, and reliability and whether the application as proposed represents a reasonable long-term plan in terms of environmental compliance, cost, and reliability. Strategen Consulting will perform the same role that Commission Staff performs in reviewing evidence and advising the Commission. Strategen Consulting will not file independent testimony or testify at any hearing in this proceeding. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Vinsel, General Counsel at 502-782-2582.

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