COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY)	
UTILITIES COMPANY AND LOUISVILLE GAS)	CASE NO.
AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR CERTIFICATES)	2025-00045
OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)	
AND SITE COMPATIBILITY CERTIFICATES)	

ORDER

This matter arises upon Kentucky Utilities Company's (KU) application for approval of its 2025 Compliance Plan for recovery through the Environmental Cost Recovery Surcharge, which was consolidated into this current proceeding on May 14, 2025. ¹

Pursuant to KRS 278.183(4), the costs associated with retaining an independent consultant shall be paid by the applicant and be included as financial costs in the ESM surcharge.

The Commission finds that Vantage Energy Consulting, LLC (Vantage) submitted an invoice for consulting services for July 1, 2025, through July 31, 2025. The invoice number 20250788b for the period of July 1, 2025, through July 31, 2025, is attached as an Appendix to this Order. Pursuant to KRS 278.183(4), KU should remit payment for the amount of the invoice within 30 days of the date of service of this Order by check payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer and mailed or delivered to the Office of the

¹ Case 2025-00105, Electronic Application of Kentucky Utilities Company of its 2025 Compliance Plan for Recovery by Environmental Surcharge (Ky. PSC May 14, 2025), final Order.

General Counsel, Kentucky Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40602-0615.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. KU shall remit payment to the Commission for Vantage's services rendered as a consultant to the Commission for the period from July 1, 2025, through July 31, 2025.
 - 2. KU shall remit payment within 30 days of the date of service of the Order.
- 3. The payment shall be a check made payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer that is delivered or postmarked as mailed to the Office of General Counsel, Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601-0615, before the deadline.
- 4. KU shall file notice of payment into the record that includes references to the invoice number and date of payment.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Commissioner

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ATTEST:

ENTERED SEP 19 2025 KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2025-00045 DATED SEP 19 2025

SEVEN PAGES TO FOLLOW

PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACT INVOICE FORM

GOVERNMENT CONTRACT REVIEW COMMITTEE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION

Pursuant to KRS 45A.695, <u>no payment shall be made on any personal service contract</u> unless the individual, firm, partnership, or corporation awarded the personal service contract submits its invoice for payment on a form established by the committee.

Invoices shall be submitted every ninety (90) days, unless the personal service contract specifies a different submission time period.

Separate invoices shall be submitted for each distinct matter covered by the personal service contract, and shall be signed by the individual responsible for that matter

The issuance of an invoice to the Commonwealth constitutes an affirmation by the individual, firm, partnership, or corporation awarded the personal service contract that the invoice truly and accurately represents work actually performed, and the expenses actually incurred.

The head of the contracting body shall approve the invoice, indicating that the charges in the invoice reflect the value of the work performed, and all recorded costs and disbursements were reasonably and necessarily incurred in connection with the matter invoiced.

NOTE: All questions must be answered fully. If the space provided is insufficient, additional pages should be attached referencing the specifically numbered item. Any questions regarding the invoice requirements should be directed to the contracting agency.

Contract Number: PON2 123 2400002509 3 Date of Invoice: 7/31/2025

The Commonwealth of Kentucky	Energy & Environment Cabinet/Public Service Comm.
Contracting Body	Division, Branch, etc.
1. Name & Address of Contractor: Vantage Energy Consulting LLC 1609 Carrera Drive Lady Lake, FL 32159	
2. Contractor's Tax I.D. Number: 27-25	85037
3. Effective Period of Contract: Starting Date: 7/1/2024 Ending Date: 6/30/2026	4. Combined Total Amount Charged in this Invoice for Services and Reimburseable Disbursements: \$4,710.00
5. Dates of Service Covered under this invoice: Starting Date: 07/01/2025 Ending Date: 07/31/2025	6. Is this the FINAL invoice for services performed under this contract: Yes X_No

7. Date of most recent invoice submitted prior to this invoice: 06/30/2025 8. How often is the contractor required to submit invoices under the terms of the personal service contract: Monthly 9. Provide a description of the matter covered by this invoice: 2025-00045 LG&E/KU ECP Assessment ESM 10. Provide a full description of each service provided, including the date each service was performed, the name and title of each individual who worked on the matter, and the time the individual spent on the matter: See attached T&E's for each Vantage Consultant 11. Provide the hourly rate for each individual working on the matter and the total charge for that individual for each matter involved: See attached T&E for each Vantage Consultant and Invoice 12. Provide the subject matter and recipient of any correspondence: Invoice submitted to Stephanie Schweighardt 13. Provide a full description of any work product produced, designating the way in which the work product is associated with the matter being invoiced. (Attorneys Billing for Legal Services: If you contend that any information is subject to privilege, please identify the privileged item, and provide sufficient information to evaluate the claim of privilege): Please see attached T&Es for each Vantage Consultant 14. Provide an itemized list of all disbursements to be reimbursed by the state for each matter invoiced and the total charge for that matter: See attached Invoice SIGNATURES: Contractor: Jean Date: 7-31-2025

Title: CEO- VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING CLC **Contracting Body** Date: Title:__

INVOICE FOR PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES

FOR: VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING, LLC

FED TAX ID # 27-2585037

INVOICE DATE:

7/31/2025

INVOICE #:

20250788b

INVOICE PERIOD:

7/01/2025-7/31/2025

PROJECT NAME:

KPSC LG&E/KU Case # 2025-00045

VANTAGE PROJECT #:

2025-88b

Document ID #

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KPSC LG&E/KU

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

2025-00045 LG&E/KU ECP Assessment ESM

CONSULTANT	MONTH	HOURS WORKED	HOURLY RATE	BILLABLE FEES	BILLABLE EXPENSES	PERIOD AMOUNT	TOTALS
Mike Boismenu	7/01/2025-7/31/2025	10	\$255	\$2,550.00	\$0.00	\$2,550.00	\$2,550.00
Walt Drabinski	7/01/2025-7/31/2025	3	\$240	\$720.00	\$0.00	\$720.00	\$720.00
Charles Buechel	7/01/2025-7/31/2025	4	\$240	\$960.00	\$0.00	\$960.00	\$960.00
Scott Everngam	7/01/2025-7/31/2025	2	\$240	\$480.00	\$0.00	\$480.00	\$480.00
Jean Gormley	7/01/2025-7/31/2025	0	\$135	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SUB TOTALS		19		\$4,710.00	\$0.00	\$4,710.00	

TOTAL FEES
TOTAL PERSONAL EXPENSES

\$4,710.00 \$0.00

OVERNIGHT MAIL

\$0.00

COPYING - Black/White

\$0.00

COPYING - Color

\$0.00

MISCELLANEOUS

TOTAL June 2025 MONTHLY INVOICE AMOUNT

\$4,710.00

Previous

Expenditures May 2025 ESM

\$3,450.00

Expenditures June 2025 ESM

\$1,440.00

Expenditures July 2025 ESM

\$4,710.00

Cumulative expenditures billed to date (July 2025)

\$9,600.00

The information provided in the above invoice is believed to be accurate. Should any questions or discrepancies arise, please call or write to the following billing address.

PLEASE REMIT TO:

Vantage Energy Consulting, LLC.

1609 Carrera Dr Lady Lake, FL 32159 Attn: Jean A. Gormley 305-744-3440

Consultant Name: Mike Boismenu			Client: LG & E/KU- NG Expansion Project Case No. 2025-00045 - ESM											Jul-25
Con	sultant Number 1059	F	Project Number: 2025-88b											
Hourly	Rate: \$255	EXPENSES											Labor	
Day	Description of Work		Air/Train	Hotel	Rent Car	Taxi/Park	Auto@\$.68.5	Other	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Totals	Hours	Fees
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Signature

Date

Cons	sultant Name: Walter Drabin	Client:	KPSC L		Month:	Jul-25							
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Hour	rly Rate: \$240	EXPENSE	ES								Expense		
Day	Description of Work	Air/Train	Hotel	Rent Car	Taxi/Park	Auto@\$.55	Other	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Totals	Hours	Fees
1											0.00		\$0
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Consultant Name: Chuck Buechel				Client: KyPSC- KU-2025-0045 (ESM)							Month:		JULY
Cons	ultant Number:		Project I	Number:	2025-88								
Hourl	y Rate: \$240	EXPENSE	S								Expense		
Day	Description of Work	Air/Train	Hotel	Rent Car	Taxi/Park	Auto@\$.58	Other	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Totals	Hours	Fees
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Consultant Name: R.S. Everngam				Client: KPSC LG&E/KU Case # 2025-00045 ESM								Jul-25		
Consultant Number: 1072					Project I									
Hour	ly Rate: \$240		EXPENSE	S								Expense		
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