

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF DUKE ENERGY	)	
KENTUCKY, INC. FOR AN ADJUSTMENT TO	)	CASE NO.
RIDER PMM RATES AND FOR TARIFF	)	2026-00162
APPROVAL	)	

ORDER

On July 1, 2026, Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (Duke Kentucky) filed an application for approval of its Rider Pipeline Modernization Mechanism (Rider PMM) annual projections, charges, and tariff.¹ With the application, Duke Kentucky provided proposed tariff sheets with the effective date of August 1, 2026.² Duke Kentucky acknowledged that the proposed Rider PMM rates were contingent on receiving a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) for its phase five AM07 pipeline replacement³ project in Case No. 2026-00086.⁴ Pursuant to Case No. 2025-00125, Duke Kentucky's annual application of its Rider PMM is to be filed on or before July 1st of each year and each proposed rate is to be effective the first billing cycle of January of each year.⁵ In

¹ Duke Kentucky's Rider PMM Application (Application) (filed July 1, 2026).

² Application, Exhibit 2.

³ Application at 7.

⁴ Case No. 2026-00086, *Electronic Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing the Phase Five Replacement of the AM07 Pipeline* (filed Mar. 31, 2026).

⁵ Case No. 2025-00125, *Electronic Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for 1) an Adjustment of the Natural Gas Rates; 2) Approval of New Tariffs; and 3) all Other Required Approvals, Waivers, and Relief* (Ky. PSC Dec. 23, 2025), final Order at 6.

compliance with the final Order in Case No. 2025-00125, Duke Kentucky stated in its Application that its proposed Rider PMM rates will go into effect no earlier than January 1, 2027.⁶

Pursuant to KRS 278.030, a utility may collect fair, just and reasonable rates and the service it provides must be adequate, efficient and reasonable. Having reviewed the proposed Application and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that an investigation cannot be completed before the August 1, 2026 date listed in Duke Kentucky's proposed tariff sheets. Therefore, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission will suspend the effective date of the proposed Rider PMM charges until January 1, 2027, to give the Commission time to investigate the proposed Rider PMM charges. Duke Kentucky may begin charging the proposed Rider PMM rates, on and after January 1, 2027, pending a final Order and subject to refund, with the understanding that it provides written notice to the Commission of its intention to implement the proposed rates as required by KRS 278.190(2).

The Commission finds that a procedural schedule should be established for the orderly processing of this case. The procedural schedule is attached as an Appendix to this Order. Duke Kentucky shall response to all requests for information propounded by Commission Staff, whether identified on the procedural schedule or otherwise, as provided in those requests.

The Commission directs Duke Kentucky to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085⁷ in which the Commission mandated the use of electronic filing

⁶ Application at 7, footnote 17.

⁷ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on or after

procedures listed in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8. The Commission finds that electronic filing procedures should be used, consistent with the filing procedures set forth in Case No. 2020-00085.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Duke Kentucky's proposed Rider PMM charges are suspended up to January 1, 2027.

2. Duke Kentucky's proposed Rider PMM charges may be placed in effect by Duke Kentucky on or after January 1, 2027, pending the final Order in this matter and subject to refund, provided Duke Kentucky files written notice to the Commission of its intention to do so as required by KRS 278.190(2).

3. If Duke Kentucky files notice of its intention to place the proposed Rider PMM charges into effect after the end of the suspension period, Duke Kentucky shall maintain its records in such manner as will allow it, the Commission, or any customer to determine the amounts to be refunded and to whom in the event a refund is ordered upon final resolution of this matter.

4. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed.

5. Duke Kentucky shall response to all requests for information propounded by Commission Staff, whether identified on the procedural schedule or otherwise, as provided in those requests.

March 16, 2020, filers NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

6. Any party filing a paper with the Commission shall file an electronic copy in accordance with the electronic filing procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked. The Commission directs the parties to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085⁸ regarding filings with the Commission.

⁸ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

Entered on this 21st day of July, 2026.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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ATTEST:



Linda C. Bridwell, PE
Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2026-00162 DATED JUL 21 2026

Last day for intervention requests to be accepted..... 08/07/2026

All initial requests for information to Duke Kentucky
shall be filed no later than 08/14/2026

Duke Kentucky shall file responses to initial requests for
information no later than..... 08/28/2026

All supplemental requests for information to Duke Kentucky
shall be filed no later than 09/11/2026

Duke Kentucky shall file responses to supplemental requests
for information no later than 09/25/2026

Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared
form shall be filed no later than 10/02/2026

All requests for information to intervenors shall
be filed no later than 10/16/2026

Intervenors shall file responses to requests for
information no later than..... 10/30/2026

Duke Kentucky shall file, in verified form, its rebuttal
testimony no later than 11/06/2026

Last day for parties to request a public hearing or submit a
request for the matter be decided based upon the written record 11/12/2026

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