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Ms. Elizabeth O'Donnell Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P. O. Box 615 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 COMMISSION

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Re: John Arthur Yarbrough, Complainant v. Kentucky
<u>Utilities Company</u>, Defendant – Case No. 2004-00189

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

In accordance with the Commission's Order dated June 25, 2004, in the above-captioned proceeding, enclosed please find an original and ten (10) copies of the Answer of Kentucky Utilities Company.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (502) 627-4110.

Sincerely,

John Wolfram

Manager, Regulatory Affairs

John Wolfen

**Enclosures** 

Cc: Parties of Record

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#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:	)	
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JOHN ARTHUR YARBROUGH	)	
COMPLAINANT	)	CASE NO. 2004-00189
v.	)	
KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY	)	
DEFENDANT	)	
	)	

### ANSWER OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY

In accordance with the Commission's order dated June 25, 2004, in the above-captioned proceeding, Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") respectfully submits this Answer to the Complaint filed herein by John Arthur Yarbrough ("Complainant"). Although KU believes that it understands the Complainant's assertions, KU submits that Complainant's understanding of the events that led to his property damage are not accurate.

In support of its Answer, and in reply to the specific questions set forth in the above-referenced Order, KU states as follows:

1. With regard to Question No. 1 in the Commission's Order, KU states that it has a record of an outage incident occurring on November 29, 2001 (not 2002 as stated in Complainant's Complaint), but has no record of any prior outage incident or repair at the Complainant's address. The Complainant references the period of "approximately the year 2000" as the time of the purported faulty repair, and his discussion at that time with

- Mr. Laffoon. Mr. Laffoon retired from KU on August 1, 1998. Accordingly, the repair complained of could not have occurred approximately in the year 2000.
- 2. With regard to Question No. 2 in the Commission's Order, KU states, as noted above, that it has no records of any repairs to the Complainant's service, except those occurring on November 29, 2001. A copy of the records relating to the November 29, 2001 repair is attached as Exhibit A hereto.
- 3. With regard to Question No. 3 in the Commission's Order, KU again states that no repair appears to have been made in 2000.
- 4. With regard to Question No. 4 in the Commission's Order, KU states that the length of service on the Complainant's property is 95 feet, and the size of the wire is number 4 triplex.
- 5. With regard to Question No. 5 in the Commission's Order, KU states that the attachment point at the Complainant's residence is a porcelain house knob fastened into the side of the house near the weather head.
- 6. With regard to Question No. 6 in the Commission's Order, KU states that it has no record of an installation of a splice at the time indicated by the Complainant. However, the service to the Complainant's residence does currently contain aluminum compression splicing sleeves for triplex neutral. The splice is installed correctly, however, KU has no record of when the splice was installed. Based upon the incident report contained in Exhibit A, KU believes that the splices were in place at the time of that repair.
- 7. With regard to Complainant's Complaint, KU states, for the reasons set forth above, that Complainant's factual assertions are inaccurate, and those assertions are

therefore denied. KU also expressly denies any unreasonable service to Complainant or any faulty work or repairs at Complainant's residence, and affirmatively states that its service to Complainant at all times complied with applicable statutes and regulations.

WHEREFORE, for all the reasons set forth above, KU requests that the Commission summarily dismiss Complainant's Complaint in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

Counsel for Kentucky Utilities Company

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Answer was served by first class mail, postage prepaid, on the following persons this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2004:

John Arthur Yarbrough 1575 Ilsley Road Madisonville, KY 42431

Counsel for Kentucky Utilities Company

# Exhibit A

# KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY / OLD DOMINION POWER COMPANY Interruption Report

Interruption Date $1/-2$				Report Number	4/0234
Location Information: Locat	Office	ARLING	STON Locat	tion Code	
Substation Number <u>CCS</u> 5				-	
Trine Unit Number					
Dist Ckt Number 1477					
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Time Called 10,00 Time	ne Assigned				
Time On EST 24	Hr Clock	i Time On _	EST 24 Hr Clock	Time On	FET 24 11- 61 1
Duration Hours	_ Minutes	Duration	Hours Minutes	DurationHou	rs Minutes
Number of Customers Affected Number of Customers Affected		Customers Affected	Number of Customers Affected		
- System:Transmission substation		Device:	Failed Device:	Cause:	Weather:
transmission line-L Distribution substation Primary Secondary Service-V Underground  Routine Order Issued Yes	Fuse Switch Device I.D.	disconnect	Transformer Conductor Arrester Insulator Breaker/recloser Switch/disconnect structure/pole-P cutout-0 Meter	Lightning Trees Trees  toppler/slide tree-S  Equipment failure  Construction  Overload  varmint-R  Non-company  Vehicle  Fire  other-X  Signed  Local Mgr  Dist Supt	Calm/no factor Rain Lightning Wind Ice Snow Fog catastrophic·X  Temp F
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