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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Ms. Elizabeth O'Donnell Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

Re: Joint Application of Duke Energy Corporation, Duke Energy Holding Corp., Deer Acquisition Corp., Cougar Acquisition Corp., Cinergy Corp., The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company and The Union Light, Heat and Power Company for Approval of a Transfer and Acquisition of Control, Case No. 2005-00228

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

We write this letter to file a required adoption notice related to the merger, to implement a name change for The Union Light, Heat and Power Company ("ULH&P") arising out of the above-referenced merger case, and to also implement related new tariffs and a new bill format.

The Commission's November 29, 2005 Order approved the merger between Duke Energy Corporation ("Duke Energy" – to be re-named as "Duke Power Company LLC" at merger closing) and Cinergy Corp. ("Cinergy"), and the attendant transfer of control of ULH&P to Duke Energy, Duke Energy Holding Corp. (to be re-named as "Duke Energy Corporation" at merger closing), Deer Acquisition Corp. and Cougar Acquisition Corp.

Duke Energy and Cinergy have now obtained all required regulatory approvals for the merger, except for the approval of the North Carolina Utilities Commission and the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission. These latter approvals are expected soon, and ULH&P will file these approvals in this proceeding, as required by the Commission's November 29, 2005 Order. Duke Energy's and Cinergy's shareholders are scheduled to vote on merger approval on March 10, 2006. The closing date for the merger is scheduled for April 1, 2006.

ULH&P's name will change in connection with the merger. ULH&P has filed with the Kentucky Secretary of State a Certificate of Assumed Name to do business as "Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc." and "Duke Energy." Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:011, Section 11, Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc., also known as "Duke Energy Kentucky," submits the enclosed Adoption Notice, to reflect the transfer of control relating to the merger, and to reflect this name change.

Duke Energy Kentucky also submits the enclosed new gas and electric tariffs, including a new bill format, related to the merger and name change. Duke Energy Kentucky states that there is no change in the provisions of these tariffs, except for the name change. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:011, Section 11(5) and (6), Duke Energy Kentucky requests that these new tariffs become effective, without additional notice, on April 1, 2006. To the extent that the Commission determines that notice is required under KRS 278.180 for these new tariffs to become effective, Duke Energy Kentucky requests that the notice period for the new change be shorted to less than 30 days, such that the new tariffs become effective as of April 1, 2006. Duke Energy Kentucky submits that good cause exists for this shortened notice period because this will allow Duke Energy Kentucky's new tariffs to take effect simultaneously with the merger closing, and attendant publicity, such that customers will receive a clear message that Duke Energy Kentucky will be the new name of their gas and electric provider.

Thank you for your consideration of the matters raised in this letter.

Sincerely, in Thoragen John J. Finnigan, Jr.

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cc: Hon. Richard G. Raff (with enclosure-adoption notice and cover page of tariffs)
Hon. Dennis G. Howard, II (with enclosure-adoption notice and cover page of tariffs)
Hon. Elizabeth E. Blackford (with enclosure-adoption notice and cover page of tariffs)
Hon. David Edward Spenard (with enclosure-adoption notice and cover page of tariffs)
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P.S.C. Adoption Notice No. \_\_\_\_\_ MAR 1 0 2006

## ADOPTION NOTICE

Effective April 1, 2006, the undersigned Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (a/k/a "Duke Energy Kentucky") of 139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 hereby adopts, ratifies, and makes its own, in every respect as if the same had been originally filed and posted by it, all tariffs and supplements containing rates, rules and administrative regulations for furnishing natural gas service in Boone, Campbell, Gallatin, Grant, Kenton and Pendleton Counties and furnishing electric service in Boone, Campbell, Grant, Kenton and Pendleton Counties in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, filed with the Public Service Commission by The Union Light, Heat and Power Company of 139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202, and in effect on the 3rd day of April, 2006, the date on which the public service business of the said The Union Light, Heat and Power Company will be taken over by it.

This notice is issued on the  $\underline{9^{\text{th}}}$  day of March, 2006, in conformity with Section 10 of P.S.C. Tariff administrative regulations adopted by the Public Service Commission.

By:

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