

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

**In the Matter of:**

**THE APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES )**  
**COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC )**  
**CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO ) CASE NO. 2006-00206**  
**CONSTRUCT A SELECTIVE CATALYTIC )**  
**REDUCTION SYSTEM AND APPROVAL OF ITS )**  
**2006 COMPLIANCE PLAN FOR RECOVERY BY )**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE )**

**PETITION OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY**  
**FOR CONFIDENTIAL PROTECTION**

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, Kentucky Utilities Company (“KU”) hereby requests that the Public Service Commission (“Commission”) grant confidential treatment to certain information contained in the document titled: *Ghent 2 Selective Catalytic Reduction (“SCR”) Analysis Update-Timing of Construction (October 2007 (“Analysis Update”))*. Those portions of the *Analysis Update* for which KU requests confidential protection contain information regarding projected fuel costs and other power production costs (capital, operation and maintenance).

In support of this Motion, KU states as follows:

1. Under the Kentucky Open Records Act, the Commission is entitled to withhold from public disclosure information confidentially disclosed to it to the extent that open disclosure would permit an unfair commercial advantage to competitors of the entity disclosing the information to the Commission. *See* KRS 61.878(1)(c). Public disclosure of the information identified herein would, in fact, prompt such a result for the reasons set forth below.

2. Since the advent of “open access,” transmission and the restructuring of wholesale power markets, KU has engaged in both the sale and purchase of power in the competitive bulk

power market for the benefit of their customers. *See, e.g., Kentucky Utilities Company*, 71 FERC ¶ 61,250 (May 31, 1995). There is now, and promises to be in the future, an increasingly robust and competitive wholesale market for bulk power sales.

3. The information regarding power production costs which KU wishes to protect from public disclosure, including projected costs of fuel and operation and maintenance expenses, is identified by the highlighted portions of the *Analysis Update* and is shown as redacted in the public record versions of the *Analysis Update* submitted concurrently herewith. This information was developed internally by KU personnel, is not on file with any public agency, is not available from any commercial or other source outside KU and is distributed within KU only to those employees who must have access for business reasons. If publicly disclosed, this information would make KU's competitors privy to KU's expected minimum margin on bulk power sales, affording these entities a distinct competitive advantage in bidding for and securing new bulk power loads. Similarly, disclosure would afford an undue advantage to KU's wholesale power purchasers, as the latter would enjoy an obvious advantage in any contractual negotiations to the extent they could calculate KU's sales margins.

4. The Commission afforded confidential treatment to very similar information by its letter of February 10, 2005 in Case No. 2004-00426.

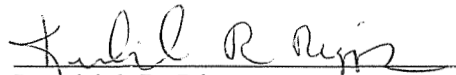
5. KU does not object to limited disclosure of the confidential information described herein, pursuant to an acceptable protective agreement, to the Attorney General or other intervenors with a legitimate interest in reviewing the same in the context of this proceeding.

6. In accordance with the provisions of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, KU is filing with the Commission one copy of *Analysis Update* with the confidential information highlighted and ten (10) copies showing the confidential information as redacted.

**WHEREFORE**, Kentucky Utilities Company respectfully requests that the Commission grant confidential protection to the information designated as confidential in the *Analysis Update* for a period of five years through October 31, 2012, or in the alternative, schedule an evidentiary hearing on all factual issues while maintaining the confidentiality of the information pending the outcome of the hearing.

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Respectfully submitted,



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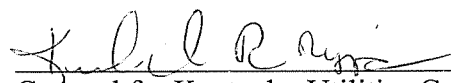
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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Petition for Confidential Protection was served via U.S. mail, first-class, postage prepaid, this 25th day of October 2007, upon the following persons:

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