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VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

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Mr. Jeff Derouen Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615



Re: Case No. 2009-00157

In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct Gas Distribution Facilities within its Service Territory

Dear Mr. Derouen:

In response to the letter received from the Director Division of Filings, The estimated cost of operation for these 2009 project facilities is \$700,871.00.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (513) 419-1852.

Sincerely,

Rocco O. D'Ascenzo

cc: Hon. Larry Cook