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Stoll Keenon Ogden PLLC Attention: W. Duncan Crosby III 2000 PNC Plaza 500 West Jefferson Street Louisville, Kentucky 40202-2828

Re: Kentucky Utilities Company Petition for Confidential Treatment received 6/26/09 PSC Reference – Case No. 2009-00197

Dear Mr. Crosby:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Treatment you filed on June 26, 2009 on behalf of Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.870. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as information contained in KU's supporting documents to its application, and more particularly described as Exhibits JNV-7 and JNV-9 to the testimony of John Voyles, Jr. and testimony of Charles Schram. These documents contain cost and budgetary projections for several coal combustion by-product storage facilities and voided cost per ton data used for future projects. Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise KU's competitive position in the industry and result in an unfair commercial advantage to its competitors.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information you seek to keep confidential is of a confidential or proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to KU's competitors. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.

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If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, KU is required by Section 8(9)(a) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

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cc: Parties of Record