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October 6, 2011

LG&E and KU Services Company  
Attention: Allyson Sturgeon  
220 West Main Street  
P.O. Box 32010  
Louisville, Kentucky 40232

Re: Louisville Gas and Electric Company  
Petition for Confidential Protection received 9/1/11  
PSC Reference #: 2011-00162

Dear Ms. Sturgeon:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Protection you filed on September 1, 2011 on behalf of Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.878. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as being contained in LG&E's Responses to Commission's 2<sup>nd</sup> set of Data Requests Nos. 3(c), 3(d), 6(a), 11 and 23(b) and (d). The information is more particularly described as: (No 3c) – LG&E's plans with regard to additional generation capacity; (No. 3d) – electronic response containing projected costs of labor, fuel and other sensitive information; (No. 6a) – allocations containing expected outputs of each unit; (No. 11) – calculations computing average dispatch cost of each unit; and (No. 23 b and d) – fuel cost data.

Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise LG&E's competitive position in the industry, which would result in an unfair commercial advantage to its competitors.

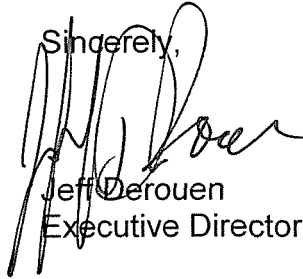
Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information requested to be held confidential is of a proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to LG&E's competitors. 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

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usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.

If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Louisville Gas and Electric Company 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Derouen", is written over the typed name and title.

Jeff Derouen  
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record