

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC 2021 JOINT INTEGRATED)	
RESOURCE PLAN OF LOUISVILLE GAS AND)	CASE NO.
ELECTRIC COMPANY AND KENTUCKY)	2021-00393
UTILITIES COMPANY)	

ORDER

On October 19, 2021, Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company (LG&E/KU) filed its 2021 Joint Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) pursuant to 807 KAR 5:058. The Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by and through the Office of Rate Intervention (Attorney General), Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government (Louisville Metro), Sierra Club, Southern Renewable Energy Association (SREA), and Kentucky Industrial Utilities Customers (KIUC) were permitted to intervene in this matter pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001. Metropolitan Housing Coalition, Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, Kentucky Solar Energy Society, and Mountain Association (collectively, Joint Intervenors), who are represented by the same counsel, were permitted to jointly intervene in this matter.

On November 12, 2021, an Order was entered establishing a procedural schedule for the orderly review of LG&E/KU's 2021 IRP. The procedural schedule allowed for two rounds of requests for information to LG&E/KU and an opportunity for intervenors to file written comments regarding the IRP. A hearing was conducted in this matter on July 12, 2022, and July 13, 2022, and all parties were permitted to file post hearing comments.

By Order issued on September 16, 2022, the Commission entered into the record of this case a report summarizing Commission Staff's review (Staff Report) of LG&E/KU's 2021 IRP. On October 7, 2022, pursuant to a post-hearing procedural schedule, LG&E/KU, the Attorney General, KIUC, SREA, and Joint Intervenors filed simultaneous comments regarding the Staff Report.¹ Based on the evidence of record and being sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that all substantive actions in this case have been completed and this case shall be closed and that LG&E/KU's next IRP shall be filed on or before October 19, 2024.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. LG&E/KU shall file its next IRP no later than October 19, 2024.
2. This case is closed and removed from the Commission's docket.

¹ The Commission notes that SREA's comments, while not styled as a motion, could be read as requesting that the Commission take specific actions such as extending the IRP docket, amending the regulation, and incorporating recommendations into any future Certificate of Public Convenience Necessity cases. However, the benefits of an extension would be limited given that a new IRP proceeding is opened every three years as part of an ongoing process. Further, this matter is not the proper forum for the Commission to address SREA's other suggestions. While evidence developed in this proceeding may be used in future matters or when considering regulation changes to the extent allowed by law, the procedural schedule, consistent with 807 KAR 5:058 and Commission practice, indicated that the Staff's Report and comments regarding the Staff Report would be the final substantive actions in this matter.

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