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LG&E and KU Energy, LLC Attention: Allyson K. Sturgeon 220 West Main Street

Louisville, Kentucky 40202

Re:

Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E")

Petition for Confidential Treatment received 8/17/11

PSC Reference - Case No. 2011-00098

Dear Ms. Sturgeon:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Treatment you filed on August 17, 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 61.870. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as LG&E's safety audit reports in their entirety. The information is described as containing critical energy infrastructure information, and private personal information of employees and\or contractors, including names, telephone numbers and employee ID numbers.

Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information could result in an unfair commercial advantage to competitors; pose an unwarranted risk to LG&E and the general public; and result in an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission as follows:

- (1) Safety Meeting Sign-In Sheets do meet the criteria for confidential protection and therefore confidentiality is GRANTED.
- (2) **Safety Audit Reports:** Personal information, such as employee names, addresses, telephone numbers or



employee ID numbers can be redacted from the Safety Audit Reports, and therefore do not meet the criteria for confidential protection and is hereby **DENIED.** LG&E should file redacted copies of the Safety Audit Reports with the Commission within 20 days.

(3) Infrastructure Information: Materials containing infrastructure information can be redacted from the Safety Audit Reports, and therefore do not meet the criteria for confidential protection and is hereby **DENIED**. LG&E should file redacted copies of the Safety Audit Reports with the Commission within 20 days.

The information listed above that has been granted confidential protection 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.

If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Louisville Gas and Electric Company, ("LG&E") 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.

The information denied confidentiality will be withheld from public inspection for 20 days from the date of this letter. If you disagree with the Commission's decision, you may seek rehearing with the Commission within 20 days of the date of this letter under the provisions of KRS 278.400

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cc: Parties of Record