COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE JOINT APPLICATION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY DEMAND-
SIDE MANAGEMENT COLLABORATIVE FOR THE
REVIEW, MODIFICATION, AND CONTINUATION OF
THE COLLABORATIVE, DSM PROGRAMS, AND COST
RECOVERY MECHANISMCASE NO. 97-083
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<u>ORDER</u>

On February 18, 1997, Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E"); the Attorney General; Jefferson County, Kentucky; Metro Human Needs Alliance; People Organized and Working for Energy Reform; Louisville Resource Conservation Council; Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers; and Louisville Jefferson County Community Action Agencies, (collectively, the "Collaborative") tendered for filing a joint application requesting Commission approval of: (1) changes to the demand-side management ("DSM") Cost Recovery Mechanism; (2) a new residential audit program and its budget; and (3) cost recovery by LG&E for 1997 and 1998 based upon the revised and new budgets submitted with the application. The Collaborative also filed a formal report which reviewed the effectiveness and achievements of the operation of the Collaborative, as required by the Principles of Agreement approved in Case No. 93-150.¹ The

¹ Case No. 93-150, A Joint Application for the Approval of Demand-Side Management Programs, a DSM Cost Recovery Mechanism, and a Continuing Collaborative Process on DSM for Louisville Gas and Electric Company, Order dated November 12, 1993.

Collaborative also requested that a procedural schedule be set for the consideration of the joint application.

In its June 24, 1996 Order in Case No. 93-150, the Commission determined that it would employ an independent DSM consultant with expertise in fiscal and policy management and administration to review the Collaborative's operation and processes as part of the three-year review. The Commission expects to receive a report from Corporate Economic Strategies, Inc. ("CES") by May 1997 and will allow the Collaborative an opportunity to engage in discovery concerning this report.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The procedural schedule set forth in Appendix A, attached hereto and incorporated herein, shall be followed in this proceeding. Additional dates will be established in subsequent Orders.

2. All requests for information and responses thereto shall be appropriately indexed. All responses shall include the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to questions related to the information, with copies to all parties of record and an original and 10 copies to the Commission.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 4th day of April, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

K Breathert

For the Commission

ATTEST: Mills

Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 97-083 DATED APRIL 4, 1997

All initial requests for information to the LG&E shall be filed no later than
LG&E shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than
All additional requests for information to LG&E shall be filed no later than
LG&E shall file responses to additional requests for information no later than
All initial requests for information to CES shall be filed no later than
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CES shall file responses to additional requests for information no later than
Last day for LG&E to publish notice of hearing date
Public Hearing is to begin at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 730 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses of LG&E and CES
Briefs, if any, shall be filed by