COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

| JOINT APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE |) |
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| GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY AND |) CASE NO |
| KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY FOR |) 97-300 |
| APPROVAL OF MERGER |) |

ORDER

This matter arising upon the motion of the Secretary of Defense, on behalf of the consumer interest of the United States Department of Defense and other affected Executive Agencies (hereinafter "DOD") for full intervention, and it appearing to the Commission that the DOD has a special interest which is not otherwise adequately represented, and that such intervention is likely to present issues and develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings, and this Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The motion of the DOD to intervene is granted.
- 2. The DOD shall be entitled to the full rights of a party and shall be served with the Commission's Orders and with filed testimony, exhibits, pleadings, correspondence, and all other documents submitted by parties after the date of this Order.
- 3. Should the DOD file documents of any kind with the Commission in the course of these proceedings, it shall also serve a copy of said documents on all other parties of record.

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

ATTEST:

Executive Director

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission