COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION OF THE APPLICATION OF)THE FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF)CASE NO.LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY)2003-00214FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2002 TO APRIL 30, 2003))

<u>COMMISSION STAFF S INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS</u> <u>FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO</u> <u>LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY</u>

Pursuant to Administrative Regulation 807 KAR 5:001, Commission Staff requests that Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") file the original and 8 copies of the following information with the Commission, within 14 days of the date of this request, with a copy to all parties of record. Each copy of the information requested shall be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure its legibility. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

1. Refer to LG&E s response to Item 5 of the Commission s June 18, 2003 Order. Describe the reasons for the unusual frequency of forced outages for Mill Creek Unit 2 between November 6, 2002 through April 11, 2003. In the response indicate whether Mill Creek Unit 2 is scheduled for any maintenance work in the near future, or whether the scheduled maintenance performed from February 2003 through April 2003 should reduce the frequency of forced outages.

2. Refer to LG&E s response to Item 6 of the Commission s June 18, 2003 Order, which lists 6 contracts that expire by December 31, 2003. Explain what provisions LG&E has made or will be pursuing to replace the coal received under the expiring contracts. In the explanation, discuss possible contract extensions and reopeners, as well as LG&E s views on its intended mix of contract and spot purchases to replace the discontinued shipments.

Refer to LG&E s response to Item 13 of the Commission s June 18, 2003
Order. Explain why LG&E raised the approval limit authority for fuel procurement as shown in the authority limit matrices.

Refer to LG&E s response to Item 17 of the Commission s June 18, 2003
Order. As a result of its March 21, 2003 solicitation LG&E received 39 responses from
168 vendors solicited. Provide a narrative description of any conclusions LG&E has
reached as a result of the solicitations. Include the following:

a. Whether the number of responses was greater than in recent solicitations.

b. Whether respondents are judged to be more or less reliable in terms of deliverability when compared to recent solicitations.

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c. Whether respondents appear to be more or less agreeable to longer-term contracts.

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cc: All Parties