

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE)	
GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY)	CASE NO. 2007-00564
TO FILE DEPRECIATION STUDY)	

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY)	
UTILITIES COMPANY TO FILE)	CASE NO. 2007-00565
DEPRECIATION STUDY)	

O R D E R

Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company (collectively "Applicants") have moved the Commission for leave to modify the procedural schedule. Specifically, the Applicants request leave to file rebuttal testimony by June 25, 2008 and a continuance of the July 2, 2008 hearing. In support of the motion, the Applicants state that their expert will not be available to testify at the July 2, 2008 hearing because he will be testifying for another client in another state on that date. The Applicants also state that they have not yet had the opportunity to file rebuttal testimony, and they request leave to do so on or before June 25, 2008. The Applicants state that they anticipate filing base rate applications before 2009, and they intend to simultaneously file motions to consolidate these proceedings with the new base rate cases. The Applicants contend that consolidating the depreciation rate proceedings with the new base rate cases would promote administrative efficiency because depreciation rates are important components of utilities' base rates.

The Attorney General ("AG"), the only intervenor in these proceedings, subsequently filed a motion requesting that the Commission suspend the procedural schedule and hold these cases in abeyance until the Applicants file their base rate

cases. In support of his motion, the AG agrees with the Applicants' position that consolidating these cases with the upcoming base rate cases would promote administrative economy and efficiency.

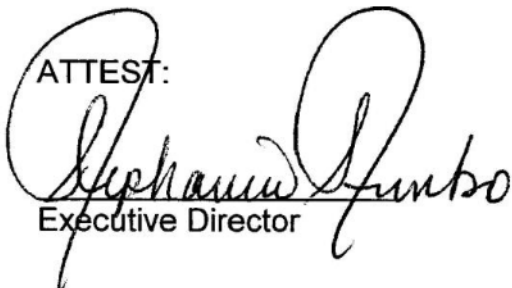
Having reviewed the parties' motions and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that good cause exists to continue the hearing originally scheduled for July 2, 2008. The Commission, however, does not find that good cause exists to hold these matters in abeyance at this time. The Commission notes that discovery in these cases is almost complete.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The hearing scheduled on July 2, 2008 is cancelled.
2. The AG's responses to requests for information, originally due on June 11, 2008, shall be filed no later than June 27, 2008.
3. The Applicants' request for leave to file rebuttal testimony is granted, and rebuttal testimony shall be filed no later than July 11, 2008.
4. The AG's motion to suspend the procedural schedule and hold these cases in abeyance is denied.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 20th day of June, 2008.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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