

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE KENTUCKY STATE BOARD ON
ELECTRIC GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION SITING**

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF THOROUGHBRED)	
GENERATING COMPANY, LLC FOR A MERCHANT)	CASE NO.
POWER PLANT CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE)	2002-00150
IN MUHLENBERG, COUNTY, KY)	

**REBUTTAL TESTIMONY
OF
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Q1. Please state your name, your employer, your position and your business address.

1 A. My name is Michael DeBusschere. I am President of Kentuckiana Engineering
2 Co., Inc. My business address is 4350 Brownsboro Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40207.

3 **Q2. What are your responsibilities as President of Kentuckiana Engineering and**
4 **how long have you served in that position?**

5 A. My service as President of Kentuckiana Engineering began in 1996. In that
6 position, I provide environmental consulting services to companies who want
7 construction permits for facilities, including electrical generating units. My fields of
8 expertise and areas of responsibility include (1) air permitting issues, including
9 permitting under the Clean Air Act's Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) and
10 Title V programs, (2) air dispersion modeling, and (3) compliance with federal and
11 Kentucky standards applicable to air toxics and hazardous air pollutants. A more detailed
12 discussion of my work experience, responsibilities, and accomplishments appears in my
13 curriculum vitae attached to this testimony as Exhibit A.

14 **Q3. Please give an overview of your work experience and educational**
15 **background.**

16 A. My professional focus has been environmental air permitting and compliance
17 issues since 1970, when I graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology with a
18 Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemical Engineering. I also (1) received an MBA from
19 Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana in 1977; (2) am registered as a Professional
20 Engineer in the states of Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, and Florida; (3) am certified by the
21 American Board of Industrial Hygienists; (3) am certified as a Qualified Environmental

1 Professional by the Institute of Professional Environmental Practice; and (4) am a Board
2 registered and accredited Environmental Auditor ISO14001. From June 2000 to June
3 2001, I served as President of the Air and Waste Management Association, an
4 international association of environmental professionals.

5 My professional experience spans both the government and private sector. From
6 1970 to 1977, I worked as a chemical engineer for EPA Region IV, the EPA Region that
7 includes Kentucky. During that time, I served as the Acting Chief of the Planning and
8 Standards Branch, on assignment as the Director of the Indianapolis Air Pollution
9 Control District, and as the Project Manager for the development of four State
10 Implementation Plans (SIPs), including the SIP for Kentucky. SIPs are EPA-approved
11 state plans for carrying out Clean Air Act requirements and standards.

12 From 1977 to 1986, I served as the Air Pollution Control Officer for the Air
13 Pollution Control District (APCD) in Jefferson County, Kentucky. The APCD is the air
14 permitting authority for sources in Jefferson County just as the Natural Resources and
15 Environmental Protection Cabinet (NREPC) is the air permitting authority for sources in
16 the remaining counties of Kentucky. In that position, I oversaw all engineering,
17 enforcement, and regulatory development within that Agency.

18 My service as an environmental consultant on air quality issues, including
19 permitting and compliance, began when I left APCD.

20 **Q4. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

21 A. The purpose of my testimony is to rebut the testimony of Big Rivers Electric
22 Corporation (BREC) witness Mick Durham regarding fine particulate (PM_{2.5}), PSD and
23 regional haze issues. My testimony is intended to demonstrate to the Board that Mr.

1 Durham's testimony is inaccurate and misleading. My testimony also responds to the
2 testimony of Intervenor Gary Watrous.

3 **Q5. On page 12 of his Testimony, Mr. Durham states that "economic impacts on**
4 **neighboring facilities are not typically items that an air permitting agency like**
5 **NREPC will consider in issuing such permits". Do you agree?**

6 A. No. Under the Clean Air Act, the issuance of a construction permit for an
7 individual facility – by its nature – involves decisions as to whether an individual permit
8 applicant can use the available resource and how much of that resource the applicant can
9 use. This is true whether the permitting agency is addressing attainment of the ambient
10 air quality standards or consumption of the increments in PSD Class I or II areas.

11 When Kentucky issues a permit that authorizes a new source or an expansion at
12 an existing source, the permit represents a declaration by the Commonwealth of how
13 much of the available air resource the permittee can use and how much cannot be used by
14 anyone else. This decision has obvious implications for existing and proposed facilities
15 that have an interest in the attainment of those air quality standards and/or consumption
16 of those increments. Any facility that wants Kentucky to consider competing interests in
17 the air resource for which an applicant applied should present its case to the state
18 permitting agency, in this case the Kentucky Division for Air Quality (KDAQ).

19 As a practical matter, however, few such facilities raise this claim in Kentucky for
20 three reasons. First, Kentucky's practice is to consider applications on a *first come, first*
21 *served* basis. That practice does not preclude a facility from raising the claim, however;
22 and, if raised, Kentucky would have to respond to it. Resolution of the claim would

1 require Kentucky to make a policy decision as to how much, if any, of the air resource to
2 assign to the applicant. And such decisions would be appealable.

3 Second, major point sources have not suffered under this approach in that
4 subsequent applicants were able to secure permits. This is the case because increment
5 consumption is predicted by dispersion modeling at discrete receptor sites, of which there
6 are thousands across the map, and for multiple years of meteorological data. The fact
7 that one source will consume some increment at one receptor at one point in time does
8 not preclude another new source from consuming increment at a different receptor during
9 the same time or at the same receptor during a different time. Because of meteorology,
10 terrain features, and different source and receptor orientations, the probability of two
11 point sources having significant impacts at the same receptor at the same time is very
12 small.

13 Third, as existing sources reduce their emissions, the available increment
14 expands, providing more air resource for new sources. Given all of the controls recently
15 added to existing sources and expected in the near term as a result of other regulatory
16 programs under the Clean Air Act, I doubt that increment availability will control future
17 PSD permitting.

18 **Q6. On page 2, Mr. Durham refers to Thoroughbred's "failure" to "address**
19 **negative economic consequences resulting from possible environmental impacts" in**
20 **its application to the Siting Board. Did Thoroughbred address BREC's concerns**
21 **about "economic consequences" in the permit proceeding before the KDAQ?**

22 A. No.

23 **Q7. Do you know why not?**

1 A. BREC did not raise the issue in that proceeding.

2 **Q8. On page 4 of his testimony, Mr. Durham testifies that Thoroughbred did not**
3 **provide information in its Siting Board application indicating that it evaluated the**
4 **impact of its PM_{2.5} emissions on the PM_{2.5} ambient air standard. What are PM_{2.5}**
5 **emissions, and how does the PSD permit for Thoroughbred facility mitigate its**
6 **effect on ambient air quality for PM_{2.5}?**

7 A. PM refers to “particulate matter,” which is the general term used to refer to a
8 broad class of substances that exist as discrete particles over a wide range of sizes.
9 Particulate matter can originate from industrial and mobile sources, as well as from
10 natural sources. In addition, particulate matter may be emitted directly from a source or
11 may be formed in the atmosphere by transformations of gaseous emissions such as sulfur
12 oxides into sulfates and nitrogen oxides into nitrates. PM_{2.5} refers to particulate matter
13 that is less than or equal to 2.5 micrometers in diameter.

14 Under the Clean Air Act and Kentucky statutes and regulations, PSD permits
15 must require new sources to install equipment that can achieve the emission limitations
16 associated with “best available control technology” (BACT). With respect to ambient
17 PM_{2.5}, Thoroughbred’s PSD permit establishes BACT emission limitations for particulate
18 matter (of which PM_{2.5} is a subset) and precursors to PM_{2.5} such as sulfur dioxide (SO₂)
19 and nitrogen oxides (NO_x). In response to its stringent emission limitations,
20 Thoroughbred plans (1) selective catalytic reduction (SCR) to reduce NO_x emissions and
21 the potential for the formation of particulate nitrates, (2) dry electrostatic precipitators
22 and wet electrostatic precipitators (ESP/WESP) to reduce emissions of all PM including
23 PM_{2.5} and hazardous air pollutant (HAP) particulates, and (3) wet flue gas desulfurization

1 (FGD) to reduce SO₂ emissions (and the potential for formation of particulate sulfates),
2 ammonia and oxidized mercury. The WESP technology is a state of the art application
3 for this project and is particularly effective at removing fine particulate. KDAQ found
4 that this advanced technology satisfied all applicable requirements.

5 **Q9. Was Mr. Durham correct when he testified that Thoroughbred did not**
6 **provide information in its Siting Board application indicating that it evaluated the**
7 **impact of its emissions of PM_{2.5} on the PM_{2.5} ambient standard?**

8 A. Yes.

9 **Q10. Why did Thoroughbred not provide such information?**

10 A. KDAQ fully addressed the legal requirements for the plant's air emissions and
11 detailed information about Thoroughbred's impacts on ambient PM_{2.5} is not germane to
12 the Siting Board's consideration of Thoroughbred's application. Additionally,
13 Thoroughbred did not provide information in its Siting Board application evaluating the
14 impact of its emissions on the PM_{2.5} National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS)
15 because there are currently no federal or Kentucky requirements addressing emission
16 levels or permit requirements for attaining the PM_{2.5} NAAQS.

17 NAAQS set limits on the allowable concentration of certain air pollutants in the
18 ambient air, the open air to which the public has access. The NAAQS for PM_{2.5} were set
19 by EPA in a rule in 1997 found at 40 C.F.R. §50.5. Following the establishment of a
20 NAAQS, states and EPA must develop the emission levels and permit requirements that
21 are necessary to attain that standard. First, states, using monitoring data, designate areas
22 within their borders as either being in "attainment" or "nonattainment" with respect to the
23 NAAQS; and those designations are subject to EPA review and approval. Thereafter,

1 states submit to EPA proposed amendments to their Clean Air Act SIPs outlining the
2 regulatory measures (including emission levels and permit requirements) that the state
3 intends to implement in order to attain (in areas that are nonattainment) and maintain (in
4 areas that are attainment) the NAAQS in their state. Upon approval by EPA, those
5 regulatory measures take effect.

6 Before SIPs for PM_{2.5} can be developed, however, EPA must issue a rule guiding
7 states regarding the permissible ways to amend their SIPs to regulate existing sources to
8 assure attainment of the PM_{2.5} NAAQS, and to regulate new sources through PSD
9 permitting to assure maintenance of the PM_{2.5} NAAQS. EPA's implementation rule for
10 the PM_{2.5} NAAQS is expected by the end of the year.

11 Currently, states, including Kentucky, are only in the process of gathering data so
12 that they can determine which areas attain the new NAAQS for PM_{2.5}. As Mr. Durham
13 points out, the states have until February 15, 2004, to complete that work and have until
14 December 2007 to develop a SIP. Therefore, even if the process proceeds as scheduled,
15 it will be several years before designations are made, SIPs are adopted, the SIPs are
16 approved by U.S. EPA, and the regulatory impacts of nonattainment are known. Mr.
17 Durham's testimony invites the Board to speculate about both the extent of PM_{2.5}
18 NAAQS nonattainment in Kentucky and what Kentucky would do about it.

19 **Q11. At page 5 of his testimony, Mr. Durham testifies that the estimated impact of**
20 **Thoroughbred's PM_{2.5} emissions on ambient concentrations will be 0.8 ug/m³. Do**
21 **you agree with that estimate?**

22 A. No. Mr. Durham's calculation is incorrect. First, while Mr. Durham notes that
23 Thoroughbred will have a dry electrostatic precipitator (ESP) as a control device for PM,

1 he misstates the PM_{2.5} that it might emit. He claims that EPA's AP-42 indicates that 43%
2 of the PM from such a device is PM_{2.5}. Actually, as shown in Exhibit B, that reference
3 states that 29% of the PM would be PM_{2.5} with an ESP-only control system.

4 Second, Mr. Durham has ignored Thoroughbred's plan to use a wet ESP, which is
5 specifically designed to remove fine particulate matter from the flue gas of coal fired
6 power plants. Mr. Durham's failure to take this into account is a flaw in his testimony.

7 **Q12. Even if Muhlenberg County were classified as nonattainment for the annual**
8 **PM_{2.5} NAAQS, is Thoroughbred the type of facility that KY would regulate to bring**
9 **the County into attainment?**

10 A. I doubt – for several reasons – that Kentucky would regulate Thoroughbred to
11 resolve the hypothetical nonattainment issue that has been raised by Mr. Durham.

12 First, several Clean Air Act programs are expected to make significant strides
13 toward attainment of the PM_{2.5} NAAQS. For example, states are now controlling their
14 sources' emissions of NO_x under EPA's NO_x SIP Call. While these reductions are aimed
15 at reducing ozone concentrations, they will – as a by-product – lower fine particulate
16 nitrate concentrations and PM_{2.5}. In addition, the second phase of the SO₂ reductions
17 under Title IV of the Clean Air Act will be occurring over the next few years. Wilson 1
18 and TVA's Paradise Plant are likely to be two of the many coal-fired power plants
19 regulated by one or more of these programs, which will improve air quality in the vicinity
20 of Wilson 2, and increase the air resource for Wilson 2 or other new sources.

21 Second, in the event that local controls of PM_{2.5} emissions were pursued,
22 Thoroughbred would not likely be a prime regulatory target, because it will install and
23 operate best available control technology for emissions that contribute to ambient

1 particulate matter, including PM_{2.5}. A search for local PM_{2.5} emissions to control would
2 focus on larger sources of emissions without such controls already in place.

3 To conclude, a passage in Mr. Durham's testimony is disingenuous. On page 3, he
4 cites a TVA modeling analysis to suggest that Muhlenberg County will be nonattainment
5 for PM_{2.5}; and, at lines 1-3 of page 4, testifies that "TVA predicted that although
6 concentrations of SO₂ from Paradise Unit No. 3 will be reduced as the result of
7 installation of a scrubber, particulate matter emissions would not be expected to change."
8 Mr. Durham fails to acknowledge that SO₂ is a precursor of PM_{2.5} and that TVA's
9 reductions in SO₂ concentrations are more important to trends in ambient PM_{2.5}
10 concentrations than Paradise's PM_{2.5} emissions would be.

11 **Q13. How could the Board address Mr. Durham's concerns?**

12 A. Absent a set of regulatory guidance from EPA and nonattainment designations, I
13 do not know how the Board would address those concerns. I see Mr. Durham's testimony
14 as inviting the Board to speculate about the effect on air quality of all ongoing Clean Air
15 Act programs (not just PM_{2.5} regulatory developments), the extent of nonattainment after
16 those programs are implemented, and what Kentucky would do about residual
17 nonattainment, if any existed. These considerations are not appropriate for this
18 proceeding.

19 **Q14. On page 4 of his testimony, Mr. Durham faults Kentucky's cumulative**
20 **analysis of power plants for not tabulating their ammonia emissions. Is this omission**
21 **significant?**

22 A. No. While ammonia emissions do contribute to the mass of PM_{2.5} in the
23 atmosphere, coal fired power plants are small emitters of ammonia. I doubt that

1 Kentucky's not accounting for ammonia emissions from coal fired power plants had a
2 significant effect on the result of its analysis. For example, the Thoroughbred plant is
3 designed to emit no more than 2 parts per million of ammonia from the SCR outlet.
4 Moreover, given the high solubility of ammonia in water, the scrubber and wet ESP
5 should remove even traces of ammonia.

6 **Q15. Does Thoroughbred's application adequately present an analysis of the**
7 **environmental impacts from its proposed facility to enable the Siting Board to assess**
8 **the probable economic impacts?**

9 A. Yes. Thoroughbred's application details the socio-economic benefits that the
10 Thoroughbred facility will provide to the community and Kentucky as a whole in the
11 form of jobs, increased area economic activity, jobs from the use of coal. The testimony
12 of Mr. Durham, who is not an economist, is unable to point to any concrete economic
13 harm that BREC or other industry will suffer as a result from the construction and
14 operation of Thoroughbred's facility. I understand that these issues are being addressed
15 in more detail in the Prefiled Rebuttal Testimony of Dr. Glenn D. Meyers. However,
16 note that I am not aware of any steps having been taken by BREC to place its possible
17 expansion in the queue for obtaining increment on the first come, first served basis
18 followed by KDAQ. Mr. Durham's claims of economic harm due to possible increased
19 regulatory requirements as a result of PM_{2.5} emissions and increment consumption are
20 entirely speculative and are based on numerous assumptions that may never materialize.

21 **Q16. With respect to PSD Class I increment consumption issues, Mr. Durham**
22 **testifies on page 7 that Thoroughbred will consume "virtually all of . . . the sulfur**
23 **dioxide 24 hour averaging time Class I increment of 5 ug/m³" and that this**

1 **“increment has now been reserved for Thoroughbred, and is not available for use by**
2 **any other source”. Do you agree?**

3 A. No. In pertinent part, KY’s Table 6.4 at pages 31 to 32 of its Statement of Basis
4 provides as follows:

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Class I Increment (ug/m3)	Source Class I Increment Consumption (ug/m3)
SO2	Annual	2	0.142
	24-hour	25	1.16
	3-hour	5	4.37

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6 Three observations are in order. First, rather than the 24-hour averaging period, Mr.
7 Durham was actually testifying about the 3-hour averaging period. Second, rather than
8 4.97 ug/m3 of increment consumption, TGS will actually use only 4.37 ug/m3. Third,
9 Mr. Durham failed to note that KDAQ transposed the increments for the 24-hour and 3-
10 hour averaging period. (See section 23 of 401 KAR 51:017 for the proper designations.)
11 Thus, instead of consuming 99+% of a 5 ug/m3 increment, TGS will consume only
12 17.5% of a 25 ug/m3 increment.

13 Moreover, the available 82.5% is subject to increment expansion from emission
14 reductions at existing sources. Because many existing sources in western Kentucky were
15 and will be controlled under the various Clean Air Act programs, I expect 82.5% to be an
16 underestimate of how much air resource is available at the time and place where
17 Thoroughbred has its maximum effect.

1 Even putting increment expansion aside, Mr. Durham's testimony is also
2 misleading due to the suggestion that this "increment has now been reserved for
3 Thoroughbred". While it is true that for one receptor for one 3-hour period, 4.37 of the 25
4 ug/m³ was reserved for Thoroughbred, a lesser amount of this increment was reserved for
5 Thoroughbred for all other receptor sites and all other 3-hour periods. For Mr. Durham to
6 demonstrate that Kentucky's award of increment to Thoroughbred affects his client, he
7 must perform atmospheric modeling that demonstrates that Wilson 2 would contribute to
8 ambient air quality at the same place and time that Thoroughbred was modeled to
9 contribute and would contribute to an extent that an increment exceedance would result.

10 **Q17. What is your evaluation of Mr. Durham's modeling on that issue?**

11 A. I am not aware that he performed the necessary modeling to demonstrate whether
12 Thoroughbred's increment consumption actually affects BREC.

13 **Q18. Is that the extent of your testimony on this issue?**

14 A. No. Mr. Durham's claim is based on his concern that Kentucky's issuance of a
15 PSD permit granting Thoroughbred use of some of the increment harmed BREC's
16 interest in developing Wilson 2. These concerns reinforce my initial point. If BREC was
17 disappointed with Kentucky's issuance of a permit to Thoroughbred, BREC should have
18 been before KDAQ asking that it issue to Thoroughbred a different set of permit
19 conditions.

20 Moreover, Mr. Durham's statements are based on modeling Thoroughbred
21 emissions at the permitted short-term limit of 0.41 lb/MBtu SO₂ over a 24-hour averaging
22 period. By basing his conclusion on this modeling, Mr. Durham ignores certain realities.
23 First, as the record before the NREPC clearly shows, Thoroughbred cannot operate at this

1 0.41 level for many days without violating its 30-day rolling average permit limit. Thus,
2 Thoroughbred's peak increment consumption will as a practical matter be much less than
3 the 4.37 ug/m3 listed in the Statement of Basis' Table 6.5.

4 Second, Thoroughbred's permit requires a revision of Thoroughbred's 24-hour
5 emission limitation after two years of operations to reflect actual conditions. The target
6 for the revised emission rate is 0.23 lb/MBtu. The August 7, 1980 PSD rule on increment
7 consumption allows future applicants to model actual emissions from existing facilities
8 once they establish normal operating conditions (in this case, two years). In making its
9 decision to use actual emissions in determining increment consumption, EPA specifically
10 addressed economic development concerns when it stated, "EPA believes it is unwise to
11 restrict source growth based only on emissions of sources permitted to emit but which, in
12 many instances, have not been and are not likely to be emitted. Increment calculation
13 based on best prediction of actual emissions links PSD permitting more closely to actual
14 air quality deterioration than calculations based on allowable 'paper' emissions. . . .
15 Increment calculations will generally be based on actual emissions as reflected by normal
16 operation for a period of two years." 45 Federal Register 52,676 at 52,718. Therefore, at
17 most, Thoroughbred will consume 4.37 ug/m3 of the 3-hour increment for no more than
18 two years, and will consume an even lesser amount thereafter.

19 **Q19. On page 9, Mr. Durham expresses concern about future applicants' having**
20 **to carry the burden of proof regarding their impacts on the air quality related**
21 **values (AQRVs) of Mammoth Cave National Park (MCNP), if their modeled**
22 **impacts are in excess of 0.03 ug/m3. Do you agree?**

1 A. No. The maximum modeled effect of Thoroughbred at one modeling receptor site
2 and one 3-hour period is 4.37 ug/m³ (and not the 4.97 ug/m³ alleged by Mr. Durham)
3 and this impact is compared to 25 ug/m³ not 5. Moreover, as I testified, Thoroughbred's
4 modeled impact for all other receptor sites and 3-hour periods is less than 4.37 ug/m³.
5 The likelihood of a modeled exceedance of the increment would depend on whether the
6 modeled impacts of Thoroughbred and a future proposal matched up in both space and
7 time. Only in the unlikely event that the future proposal had an emissions impact that was
8 about 4.5 times greater than Thoroughbred's impact, at the same time and at the same
9 place that Thoroughbred had its highest impacts would the increment assigned to
10 Thoroughbred affect the future proposal.

11 **Q20. Also on page 9, Mr. Durham refers to Thoroughbred's claims of not**
12 **consuming the increment in the county containing MCNP. Do you agree with Mr.**
13 **Durham?**

14 A. No. The information that Thoroughbred provided to BREC and that KDAQ
15 provided in its updated Statement of Basis speak for themselves about the extent of
16 Thoroughbred's increment consumption and the amount of increment left for future
17 facilities. And my testimony addresses the technical and regulatory flaws in Mr.
18 Durham's testimony regarding the status of increment consumption in Kentucky.

19 **Q21. On page 10, Mr. Durham testifies that he is concerned about Wilson 2**
20 **because Thoroughbred "is already expected to cause half of the modeling visibility**
21 **impacts at the Park". Is Mr. Durham correct in this statement?**

22 A. No. I am not able to determine the basis for Mr. Durham's concern. However,
23 any concern Mr. Durham may have would be unrelated to Thoroughbred emissions. The

1 initial inquiry on visibility in Mammoth Cave National Park (MCNP) would focus on a
2 proposed Wilson 2's individual impact (i.e., independent of any impact from
3 Thoroughbred's emissions), which would be reviewed under federal guidance by the
4 federal land manager for MCNP. In any event, as stated in my answer to Question 16,
5 unless modeled impacts are at the same location at the same time they are not added
6 together.

7 **Q22. On page 11, Mr. Durham makes analogous claims with respect to the Class II**
8 **increments as he does for the Class I increments. Do you support his Class II**
9 **claims?**

10 A. No. Until he produces modeling results showing that a future proposed facility
11 will have significant ambient impacts at the same time and place as Thoroughbred's
12 modeled ambient impacts and that they are not affected by increment expansions due to
13 controls on existing sources, we cannot know whether a future source would be affected
14 by the Class 2 increment awarded to Thoroughbred or not.

15 **Q23. On page 11, Mr. Durham refers to the regional haze rule and testifies that**
16 **Thoroughbred is "directly upwind from the" MCNP and that BREC's Wilson**
17 **Station "will likely be required to impose additional controls that might not be**
18 **required but for the additional impact caused by Thoroughbred". Do you agree?**

19 A. No. The wind rose in the vicinity of MCNP indicates that the most frequent wind
20 is Southerly, while Thoroughbred is to the West of MCNP.

21 Moreover, Mr. Durham's claim ignores the individualized source assessments that
22 are conducted under the visibility protection program. D.B. Wilson will be addressed
23 based on its impact on MCNP and the costs required to mitigate that impact.

1 **Q24. Have you reviewed the testimony filed by Mr. Watrous?**

2 A. Yes, I have.

3 **Q25. Do you agree with the concerns raised by Mr. Watrous?**

4 A. No. For the reasons noted in my earlier testimony, I believe the concerns raised
5 by Mr. Watrous are based on speculation, both as to air impacts and as to economic
6 impacts. At present, the Jefferson County area has not be redesignated as nonattainment
7 with the new ozone NAAQS and Kentucky is still collecting data about the fine
8 particulate standard as I testified earlier. Mr. Watrous has produced no modeling or other
9 concrete information to support his position. I also note that the Thoroughbred facility
10 will use best available control technology to control its emissions and the air emissions
11 from the facility have been the subject of detailed review by KDAQ. Potential impacts
12 on MCNP were addressed in the air permitting process as well. Mr. Watrous has not
13 asserted any objections in the air permit proceedings. Finally, as I have stated before, a
14 number of Clean Air Act programs are expected to reduce emissions in the region,
15 including the NO_x SIP Call. In fact, EPA has emphasized the need to address regional
16 issues, such as ozone, on a regional basis.

17 With respect to the analysis of economic impacts from the project, it is my
18 understanding that this issue is addressed by the Thoroughbred Application and is also
19 discussed in the Prefiled Rebuttal Testimony of Dianna Tickner and Dr. Glenn D.
20 Meyers. I would only note that the statements by Mr. Watrous are very general and lack
21 concrete support. Under his analysis, presumably he would not want any new
22 development in Jefferson County, even though new development would appear to

1 increase the demand for architectural design, since new development might contribute
2 some incremental increase in air emissions.

3 **Q26. Does this conclude your testimony?**

4 A. Yes.

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EXHIBIT A

Exhibit A

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- Provides compliance assessments for MACT standards.
- Conducts diffusion modeling analyses for compliance with toxic air pollutant threshold ambient limits for major and minor facilities.
- Prepares current, retroactive and revised PSD permit applications.
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EXHIBIT B

Table 1.1-6. CUMULATIVE PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION AND SIZE-SPECIFIC EMISSION FACTORS FOR DRY BOTTOM BOILERS BURNING PULVERIZED BITUMINOUS AND SUBBITUMINOUS COAL^a

Particle Size ^b (µm)	Cumulative Mass % □ Stated Size						Cumulative Emission Factor (lb/ton)					
	Uncontrolled	Controlled			Uncontrolled ^d	Controlled ^e						
		Multiple Cyclones	Scrubber	ESP		Multiple Cyclones ^f	Scrubber ^g	ESP ^h	Baghouse ⁱ			
15	32	54	81	79	3.2A	1.08A	0.48A	0.064A	0.02A	0.02A	0.02A	
10	23	29	71	67	2.3A	0.58A	0.42A	0.054A	0.02A	0.02A	0.02A	
6	17	14	62	50	1.7A	0.28A	0.38A	0.024A	0.02A	0.02A	0.02A	
2.5	6	3	51	29	0.6A	0.06A	0.3A	0.024A	0.01A	0.01A	0.01A	
1.25	2	1	35	17	0.2A	0.02A	0.22A	0.01A	0.006A	0.006A	0.006A	
1.00	2	1	31	14	0.2A	0.02A	0.18A	0.01A	0.006A	0.006A	0.006A	
0.625	1	1	20	12	0.10A	0.02A	0.12A	0.01A	0.002A	0.002A	0.002A	
TOTAL	100	100	100	100	10A	2A	0.6A	0.08A	0.02A	0.02A	0.02A	

^a Reference 33. Applicable Source Classification Codes are 1-01-002-02, 1-02-002-02, 1-03-002-06, 1-01-002-12, 1-02-002-12, and 1-03-002-16. To convert from lb/ton to kg/Mg, multiply by 0.5. Emission Factors are lb of pollutant per ton of coal combusted, as fired. ESP = Electrostatic precipitator.

^b Expressed as aerodynamic equivalent diameter.

^c A = coal ash weight percent, as fired. For example, if coal ash weight is 8.2%, then A = 8.2.

^d EMISSION FACTOR RATING = C.

^e Estimated control efficiency for multiple cyclones is 80%; for scrubber, 94%; for ESP, 99.2%; and for baghouse, 99.8%.

^f EMISSION FACTOR RATING = E.

^g EMISSION FACTOR RATING = D.

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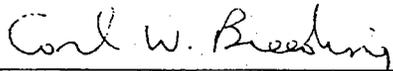
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