

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

**AN EXAMINATION BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE)
COMMISSION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL)
SURCHARGE MECHANISM OF KENTUCKY)
UTILITIES COMPANY FOR THE TWO-YEAR)
BILLING PERIOD ENDING APRIL 30, 2015)**

**CASE NO.
2015-00221**

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

ROBERT M. CONROY
DIRECTOR - RATES
LG&E AND KU SERVICES COMPANY

Filed: August 12, 2015

1 **Q. Please state your name, title, and business address.**

2 A. My name is Robert M. Conroy. I am the Director – Rates for LG&E and KU
3 Services Company, which provides services to Kentucky Utilities Company (“KU” or
4 “Company”) and Louisville Gas and Electric Company (“LG&E”) (collectively “the
5 Companies”). My business address is 220 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky,
6 40202. A complete statement of my education and work experience is attached to
7 this testimony as Appendix A.

8 **Q. Have you previously testified before this Commission?**

9 A. Yes. I have previously testified before this Commission in proceedings concerning
10 the Companies’ most recent rate cases, fuel adjustment clauses, and environmental
11 cost recovery (“ECR”) surcharge mechanisms.

12 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits?**

13 A. Yes. I am sponsoring three exhibits identified as Exhibits RMC-1, RMC-2, and
14 RMC-3. These exhibits are:

15 *Exhibit RMC-1* Comparison of ECR Revenue Requirement Allocation
16 Methods to Actual ECR Billing Factor Revenues for twelve months ended
17 February 28, 2015

18 *Exhibit RMC-2* Proposed ECR Tariff

19 *Exhibit RMC-3* Proposed ECR Tariff – Redline

20 **Q. What is the purpose of this proceeding?**

21 A. The purpose of this proceeding is to review the past operation of KU’s environmental
22 surcharge during the six-month billing period ending April 30, 2015 that is part of the
23 two-year billing period also ending April 30, 2015, determine whether the surcharge

1 amounts collected during the period are just and reasonable, and then incorporate or
2 “roll-in” such surcharge amounts into KU’s existing electric base rates.

3 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

4 A. The purpose of my testimony is to summarize the operation of KU’s environmental
5 surcharge during the billing period under review, demonstrate that the amount
6 collected during the period was just and reasonable, present and discuss KU’s
7 proposed adjustment to the Environmental Surcharge Revenue Requirement based on
8 the operation of the surcharge during the period and explain how the environmental
9 surcharge factors were calculated during the period under review. In addition, my
10 testimony will recommend that the cumulative ECR revenue requirement for the
11 twelve months ending with the expense month of February 2015 be used for purposes
12 of incorporating or “rolling-into” KU’s electric base rates the appropriate surcharge
13 amounts using the methodology previously approved by the Commission, most
14 recently in Case No. 2013-00242.

15 **Q. Please summarize the operation of the environmental surcharge for the billing
16 period included in this review.**

17 A. KU billed an environmental surcharge to its customers from November 1, 2014
18 through April 30, 2015. For purposes of the Commission’s examination in this case,
19 the monthly KU environmental surcharges are considered as of the six-month billing
20 period ending April 30, 2015; that same review period is part of the two-year billing
21 period also ending April 30, 2015. (The three previous billing periods were reviewed
22 in Case Nos. 2013-00436 and 2015-00020.) In each month of the six-month period
23 under review in this proceeding, KU calculated the environmental surcharge factors

1 in accordance with its ECR Tariff, and the requirements of the Commission's
2 previous orders concerning KU's environmental surcharge. The calculations were
3 made in accordance with the Commission-approved monthly forms and filed with the
4 Commission ten days before the new monthly charge was billed by the Company.

5 **Q. What costs were included in the calculation of the environmental surcharge**
6 **factors for the billing period under review?**

7 A. The capital and operating costs included in the calculation of the environmental
8 surcharge factors for the six-month billing period were the costs incurred each month
9 by KU from September 2014 through February 2015, as detailed in the attachment in
10 response to Question No. 2 of the Commission Staff's Request for Information,
11 incorporating all required revisions.

12 The monthly environmental surcharge factors applied during the billing period
13 under review were calculated consistent with the Commission's Orders in KU's
14 previous applications to assess or amend its environmental surcharge mechanism and
15 plan, as well as Orders issued in previous review cases. The monthly environmental
16 surcharge reports filed with the Commission during this time reflect the various
17 changes to the reporting forms ordered by the Commission from time to time.

18 **Q. Please describe the most recently approved changes to KU's ECR Compliance**
19 **Plan.**

20 A. In Case No. 2011-00161, the Commission approved KU's 2011 ECR Compliance
21 Plan that included two new projects and associated operation and maintenance costs,
22 amended Project 29 (2009 Plan) to convert the Brown Main Ash Pond to a Landfill,
23 and approved the reporting of operation and maintenance costs associated with

1 sorbent injection approved with the 2006 Plan for Ghent Units 1, 3, and 4 as part of
2 the 2011 Plan. Pursuant to the Commission's December 15, 2011 Order approving
3 the Settlement Agreement in Case No 2011-00161, KU began including the approved
4 projects in the monthly filing for the December 2011 expense month that was billed
5 in February 2012 with separate authorized rates of return for the Pre-2011 and 2011
6 ECR Plans. In addition, the Commission approved the use of net (non-fuel) revenues
7 to calculate the jurisdictional revenue requirement for non-residential customers
8 defined as Group 2 in the ECR Tariff. The use of net revenues for Group 2 customers
9 was implemented in Case No. 2011-00231 as discussed below.

10 In Case No. 2014-00371, KU's most recently approved rate case, the
11 Commission reset the return on equity to be used in the monthly environmental
12 surcharge filings. Pursuant to the Commission's June 30, 2015 Order in that case, the
13 changes will be implemented with the July 2015 expense month. The approved
14 return on equity is used in this proceeding to establish the overall rate of return on
15 capital to be used to calculate the environmental surcharge as discussed later in this
16 testimony.

17 **Q. Please describe the most recently approved changes to the environmental**
18 **surcharge mechanism and the monthly ES forms.**

19 A. In Case No. 2011-00231, the Commission implemented the use of net revenues to
20 calculate the jurisdictional revenue requirement for non-residential customers defined
21 as Group 2 in the ECR Tariff in conjunction with the ECR Roll-in and revisions to the
22 monthly reporting forms to reflect the implementation of Group 1 and Group 2 billing
23 factors. Pursuant to the Commission's January 31, 2012 Order in that case, the

1 changes were implemented with the January 2012 expense month that was billed in
2 March 2012.

3 In Case No. 2013-00242, KU's most recent ECR two-year review, the
4 Commission approved the ECR Roll-in, revisions to the monthly ES forms to reflect
5 the elimination of KU's 2005 and 2006 ECR Compliance Plans and the use of an
6 overall authorized rate of return for all ECR Plans. Pursuant to the Commission's
7 November 14, 2013 Order in that case, the changes were implemented with the
8 November 2013 expense month that was billed in January 2014.

9 **Q. Did the approved Settlement Agreement authorizing the use of Group 1 and**
10 **Group 2 billing factors address the need to evaluate this change in future**
11 **Environmental Surcharge review cases?**

12 A. Yes. Section 5.05 of the Settlement Agreement stated that KU would address the
13 impact of this change in revenue allocation in the next two future Environmental
14 Surcharge two-year reviews or ECR compliance plan proceedings and, if appropriate,
15 present recommendations after consultation with affected customer representatives.
16 The Commission's Order approving the Settlement Agreement went on to note the
17 wisdom of the provision to address this change in the next two two-year
18 Environmental Surcharge review cases and its intent to monitor the impact of this
19 change. The current case is the second of the two-year Environmental Surcharge
20 review cases to address the use of Group 1 and Group 2 billing factors.

21 **Q. How has the use of Group 1 and Group 2 billing factors functioned when**
22 **compared to the anticipated results presented in the 2011 ECR Plan filing?**

1 A. The use of Group 1 and Group 2 billing factors to allocate the jurisdictional ECR
2 revenue requirement has functioned as expected when compared to the anticipated
3 results presented in the 2011 ECR Plan filing. The Group 1 billing factors are
4 calculated on a total revenue basis, therefore the use of two billing factors did not
5 impact the revenue requirement allocation to customers served under tariffs assigned
6 to Group 1. The use of net (non-fuel) revenues to calculate the Group 2 billing factor
7 and to allocate the jurisdictional ECR revenue requirement to the rate classes within
8 Group 2 is relatively consistent with the anticipated results presented in the 2011
9 ECR Plan filing. Exhibit RMC-1 contains the comparison of the ECR Revenue
10 Requirement Allocation Methods presented in the 2011 ECR Plan to the Actual ECR
11 Billing Factor Revenues for the 12-months ended February 28, 2015 for the various
12 rate classes and demonstrates that the actual results are relatively consistent with the
13 anticipated results in the 2011 ECR Plan.

14 **Q. Has KU received any customer inquiries or complaints regarding Group 1 and**
15 **Group 2 billing factors?**

16 A. No. KU has not received any customer inquiries or complaints regarding Group 1
17 and Group 2 billing factors.

18 **Q. Is KU proposing any changes to the current revenue allocation methodology?**

19 A. No. Because customers have not expressed any concerns with the current
20 methodology and the actual results are relatively consistent with the results
21 anticipated at the time the current revenue allocation methodology was approved, KU
22 is not proposing any changes at this time.

1 **Q. Is KU proposing any changes to its Environmental Cost Recovery Surcharge**
2 **tariff?**

3 A. Yes. KU is proposing minor changes to its Environmental Cost Recovery Surcharge
4 tariff to clarify that the Off System Sales (“OSS”) tracker is included with the Fuel
5 Adjustment Clause revenues included on ES Forms 3.00 and 3.10. The OSS tracker
6 was approved as a part of the Settlement Agreement in KU’s recent retail rate case
7 (Case No. 2014-00371). The proposed ECR Tariff is attached as Exhibit RMC-2, and
8 a redline version comparing the proposed ECR Tariff to the existing tariff is attached
9 as Exhibit RMC-3.

10 **Q. Are there any changes or adjustments in Rate Base from the originally filed**
11 **expense months?**

12 A. No. During the period under review, there were no changes to Rate Base from the
13 originally filed billing months as summarized in KU’s response to the Commission
14 Staff’s Request for Information, Question No. 1. In addition, there were no changes
15 identified as a result of preparing responses to the requests for information in this
16 review.

17 **Q. Are there any changes necessary to the jurisdictional revenue requirement**
18 **(E(m))?**

19 A. Yes. Adjustments to E(m) are necessary for compliance with the Commission’s
20 Order in Case No. 2000-00439 to reflect the actual changes in the overall rate of
21 return on capitalization that is used in the determination of the return on
22 environmental rate base. Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement
23 approving the 2011 ECR Plan, KU calculated the short- and long-term debt rate using

1 average daily balances and daily interest rates in the calculation of the overall rate of
2 return true-up adjustment for the six-month period ending February 28, 2015. The
3 details of and support for this calculation are shown in KU's response to Question
4 No. 1 of the Commission Staff's Request for Information.

5 **Q. Are there corrections to information provided in the monthly filings during the**
6 **billing period under review?**

7 A. There are no corrections to information provided in the monthly filings during the
8 six-month billing period under review; however a correction to the previous two six-
9 month periods reviewed in Case No. 2015-00020 is necessary. The overall rate of
10 return true-up adjustment for the six-month periods ending February 28, 2014 and
11 August 31, 2014 did not include the full six-months in each of the periods in the
12 calculation of the average daily balances and daily interest rates for short- and long-
13 term debt rates. For more than thirteen years, KU had calculated the over/under
14 recovery position based on the last *billing* month in a 6-month review period in
15 Environmental Surcharge review cases. In Case No. 2015-00020, the Commission
16 Staff revised Question No. 1 to require the true-up adjustment calculation as of the
17 end of the last *expense* month in the 6-month periods under review. In the course of
18 preparing the data responses in this case, KU discovered it inadvertently had not
19 revised the calculation of the average daily balances and daily interest rates for short-
20 and long-term debt rates to reflect six-months ending with each *expense* period under
21 review in the previous six-month review case, and that only four months of data was
22 used in the calculations instead of six months. The result was an under-statement of

1 the true-up adjustment of \$419,631. The under-statement of \$419,631 will be
2 collected as a part of the cumulative under recovery for the period under review.

3 **Q. As a result of the operation of the environmental surcharge during the billing**
4 **period under review, is an adjustment to the revenue requirement necessary?**

5 A. Yes. KU experienced an under-recovery of \$281,821 for the billing period ending
6 April 30, 2015. KU's response to Question No. 2 of the Commission Staff's Request
7 for Information shows the calculation of the under-recovery. An adjustment to the
8 revenue requirement is necessary to reconcile the collection of past surcharge
9 revenues with the actual costs for the billing period under review. As previously
10 discussed, KU also experienced an under-recovery of \$419,631 for two previous six-
11 month periods resulting from the correction to the overall rate of return used in the
12 true-up adjustment for those periods. Therefore, KU experienced a cumulative under-
13 recovery of \$701,452 for the billing period under review.

14 **Q. Has KU identified the causes of the under-recovery during the billing period**
15 **under review?**

16 A. Yes. KU has identified the components that make up the under-recovery during the
17 billing period under review. The components are (1) changes in overall rate of return
18 as previously discussed, and (2) the use of 12-month average revenues to determine
19 the billing factor. The details and support of the components that make up the under-
20 recovery during the billing period under review are shown in KU's response to
21 Question No. 2 of the Commission Staff's Request for Information.

22 **Q. Please explain how the function of the ECR mechanism contributes to the**
23 **recovery position in the billing period under review.**

1 A. The use of 12-month average revenues to calculate the monthly billing factors and
 2 then applying those same billing factors to the actual monthly revenues will result in
 3 an over- or under-collection of ECR revenues. The table below shows a comparison
 4 of the 12-month average revenues used in the monthly filings to determine the ECR
 5 billing factors and the actual revenues to which the ECR billing factors were applied
 6 in the billing month.

Expense Month	12-Month Average Revenues	Billing Month	Actual Revenues Subject to ECR Billing Factors
September 2014	\$ 91,646,003	November 2014	\$ 73,379,526
October 2014	91,945,125	December 2014	99,215,298
November 2014	92,108,616	January 2015	110,501,461
December 2014	92,584,531	February 2015	108,342,905
January 2015	92,317,976	March 2015	110,688,290
February 2015	91,524,032	April 2015	77,955,521
*The 12-month average revenues and the Actual Revenues subject to ECR Billing Factors reflect net revenues for Group 2.			

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8 Generally, an under-recovery will occur when actual revenues for the
 9 billing month are less than the 12-month average revenues used for the expense
 10 month. Likewise, an over-recovery will usually occur when actual revenues for the
 11 billing month are greater than the 12-month average revenues used for the expense
 12 month.

13 **Q. What kind of adjustment is KU proposing in this case as a result of the operation**
 14 **of the environmental surcharge during the billing period?**

15 A. KU is proposing that the cumulative under-recovery be collected in one month
 16 following the Commission's Order in this proceeding. Specifically, KU recommends
 17 that the Commission approve an increase to the Environmental Surcharge Revenue

1 Requirement of \$701,452 for one month, beginning in the second full billing month
2 following the Commission's Order in this proceeding. This method is consistent with
3 the method of implementing previous over- or under- recovery positions in prior ECR
4 review cases.

5 **Q. What is the bill impact on a residential customer for the proposed collection of**
6 **the under-recovery?**

7 A. The inclusion of the collection reflecting the under-recovery position in the
8 determination of the ECR billing factor will increase the billing factor by
9 approximately 0.58%. For a residential customer using an average of 1,234 kWh per
10 month, the impact of the adjusted ECR billing factor would be an increase of
11 approximately \$0.69 for one month (using rates and adjustment clause factors in
12 effect for the July 2015 billing month).

13 **Q. Should the Commission approve incorporating into KU's base rates the**
14 **environmental surcharge amounts found just and reasonable for the two-year**
15 **billing period ending April 2015?**

16 A. Yes. It is now appropriate to incorporate into electric base rates the surcharge
17 amounts the Commission finds just and reasonable for the two-year billing period
18 ending April 2015. KU recommends that an incremental environmental surcharge
19 amount of \$65,367,762 be incorporated into base rates at the conclusion of this case.
20 KU determined the incremental roll-in amount of \$65,367,762 using environmental
21 surcharge rate base as of February 28, 2015 and environmental surcharge operating
22 expenses for the twelve-month period ending February 28, 2015. If approved, the
23 total amount of environmental surcharge that will be included in base rates will be

1 \$111,188,413. The implementation of the change in base rates reflecting the roll-in
2 amount should take effect with bills rendered beginning with the first billing cycle in
3 the second month following the month in which the Commission issues its Order in
4 this proceeding.

5 **Q. If the Commission accepts KU’s recommendation to incorporate the proposed**
6 **amount into base rates, what will be the impact on KU’s ECR revenue**
7 **requirement?**

8 A. The incorporation of the recommended surcharge amount into base rates will increase
9 base rates and, two months later, decrease ECR revenues by an equal amount. There
10 will be no impact on the environmental costs KU is allowed to recover from its
11 customers; only the method of collection will be impacted.

12 **Q. Please explain why ECR revenues will not decrease in the same month that base**
13 **rates will increase.**

14 A. The ECR is billed on a two-month lag, meaning that costs are incurred, for example,
15 in February 2015 (expense month) and ECR billing factor revenues are collected two
16 months later in April 2015 (billing month). KU’s determination of costs recoverable
17 through the billing factor (E(m) for the expense month) are reduced by the ECR
18 revenue included in base rates. Therefore, total ECR costs for the month of February
19 are collected from customers through base rates in February and through the ECR
20 billing mechanism in April. If base rates increase due to a roll-in in February, the
21 portion of ECR costs incurred in February that is recovered through base rates will
22 increase and the resulting decrease in the ECR billing factor will be applied in April.
23 If the decrease in the ECR billing factor were applied in February, the same month

1 that base rates change, then KU would not be collecting the correct amount of ECR
2 revenue associated with costs incurred in December. This is because the February
3 billing factor is associated with the December expense month and must be calculated
4 using base rates in effect in December.

5 **Q. What rate of return is KU proposing to use for all ECR Plans upon the**
6 **Commission's Order in this proceeding?**

7 A. KU is recommending an overall rate of return on capital of 10.15%, including the
8 currently approved 10.00% return on equity and adjusted capitalization, to be used to
9 calculate the environmental surcharge. This is based on capitalization as of February
10 28, 2015 and the Commission's Order of June 30, 2015 in Case No. 2014-00371 and
11 use of the 2015 gross-up revenue factor that excludes the §199 manufacturing tax
12 deduction. Please see the response and attachment to Commission Staff's Request for
13 Information Question No. 6 following this testimony.

14 **Q. What is your recommendation to the Commission in this case?**

15 A. KU makes the following recommendations to the Commission in this case:

16 a) The Commission should approve the proposed increase to the Environmental
17 Surcharge Revenue Requirement of \$701,452 for one month beginning in the
18 second full billing month following the Commission's Order in this
19 proceeding;

20 b) The Commission should determine the environmental surcharge amount for
21 the six-month billing period ending April 30, 2015 to be just and reasonable;

1 c) The Commission should approve the use of an overall rate of return on capital
2 of 10.15% using a return on equity of 10.00% beginning in the second full
3 billing month following the Commission's Order in this proceeding;

4 d) The Commission should approve a "roll-in" of \$65,367,762 in incremental
5 environmental costs into KU's base rates, for a total base rate ECR component
6 of \$111,188,413, to be included in base rates following the methodology
7 previously approved by the Commission and implemented by KU. The
8 implementation of the change in base rates reflecting the roll-in amount
9 should take effect with bills rendered beginning with the first billing cycle in
10 the second month following the month in which the Commission issues its
11 Order in this proceeding; and

12 e) The Commission should approve the proposed ECR Tariff to become
13 effective with the expense month in which the Commission issues its Order.

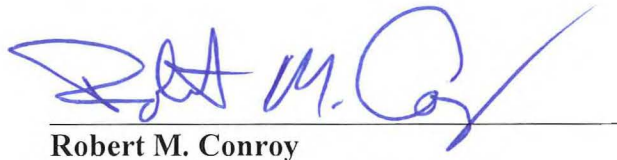
14 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

15 A. Yes.

VERIFICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY)
) SS:
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON)

The undersigned, **Robert M. Conroy**, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Director - Rates for LG&E and KU Services Company, and that he has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the foregoing testimony, and that the answers contained therein are true and correct to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.


Robert M. Conroy

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and before said County and State, this 15th day of August 2015.

 (SEAL)
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

JUDY SCHOOLER
Notary Public, State at Large, KY
My commission expires July 11, 2018
Notary ID # 512743

APPENDIX A

Robert M. Conroy

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LG&E and KU Services Company
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Louisville, Kentucky 40202
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Previous Positions

Manager, Rates	April 2004 – Feb 2008
Manager, Generation Systems Planning	Feb. 2001 – April 2004
Group Leader, Generation Systems Planning	Feb. 2000 – Feb. 2001
Lead Planning Engineer	Oct. 1999 – Feb. 2000
Consulting System Planning Analyst	April 1996 – Oct. 1999
System Planning Analyst III & IV	Oct. 1992 - April 1996
System Planning Analyst II	Jan. 1991 - Oct. 1992
Electrical Engineer II	Jun. 1990 - Jan. 1991
Electrical Engineer I	Jun. 1987 - Jun. 1990

Professional/Trade Memberships

Registered Professional Engineer in Kentucky, 1995

Education

Essentials of Leadership, London Business School, 2004

Masters of Business Administration

Indiana University (Southeast campus), December 1998

Center for Creative Leadership, Foundations in Leadership program, 1998.

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering;

Rose Hulman Institute of Technology, May 1987

**Comparison of ECR Revenue Requirement Allocation Methods
presented in the 2011 ECR Plan to Actual ECR Billing Factor Revenues
for 12-months ended February 28, 2015**

(000s) KU	(1)			(2)			(3)		
	Annual based on August 2011			Annual based on August 2011			12-months ended Feb 28, 2015		
	Current Method	Alternative Method	Delta	Current Method (% of Total)	Alternative Method (% of Total)	Delta (Current to Alternative)	Actual ECR Billing Factor Revenues	% of Actual ECR Billing Factor Revenues	Delta (Actual to Alternative)
Residential/ AES / Other	\$ 70,577	\$ 70,577	\$ -	40.8%	40.8%	0.0%	\$ 19,546	41.8%	1.0%
General Service (GS)	\$ 23,343	\$ 28,024	\$ 4,682	13.5%	16.2%	2.7%	\$ 8,035	17.1%	0.9%
Power Service (PSS, PSP)	\$ 39,006	\$ 39,969	\$ 963	22.5%	23.1%	0.6%	\$ 7,069	15.1%	-8.0%
Time of Day (TODS, TODP)	\$ 26,099	\$ 23,101	\$ (2,998)	15.1%	13.4%	-1.7%	\$ 9,482	20.2%	6.8%
RTS	\$ 10,832	\$ 9,022	\$ (1,810)	6.3%	5.2%	-1.1%	\$ 2,159	4.6%	-0.6%
FLS	\$ 3,067	\$ 2,230	\$ (837)	<u>1.8%</u>	<u>1.3%</u>	<u>-0.5%</u>	\$ 579	<u>1.2%</u>	<u>-0.1%</u>
TOTAL	\$ 172,923	\$ 172,923	\$ 0	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	\$ 46,871	100.0%	0.0%

(1) Information provided in Case No. 2011-00161 (2011 ECR Plan) at the hearing held on November 10, 2011 as Hearing Exhibit 2. The revenues represent the ECR revenue requirement allocated to each rate class based on the allocation method. The "Current Method" is the Total Revenue allocation; the "Alternative Method" is the allocation of the ECR revenue requirement on a net (non-fuel) revenue basis for all rate classes except RS, AES and lighting.

(2) The percentage of ECR revenue requirement allocated to each rate class is shown for the Current and Alternative Methods. This calculation is provided for illustrative purposes to show the relationship between each rate class and the total ECR revenue requirement.

(3) The information provided represents the Actual ECR Billing Factor Revenues for the 12-months ended February 28, 2015 for each of the rate classes and the relationship between each class to the total ECR Billing Factor Revenues for the period. The Delta (Actual to Alternative) is provided to show the comparison of the anticipated results of the Alternative Method and Actual ECR Billing Factor Revenues. The comparison demonstrates that the actual results are relatively consistent with the anticipated results in the 2011 ECR Plan.

Kentucky Utilities Company

P.S.C. No. 18, First Revision of Original Sheet No. 87
 Canceling P.S.C. No. 17, Original Sheet No. 87

Adjustment Clause

ECR

Environmental Cost Recovery Surcharge

APPLICABLE

In all territory served.

AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE

This schedule is mandatory to all Standard Electric Rate Schedules listed in Section 1 of the General Index except CTAC and Special Charges, all Pilot Programs listed in Section 3 of the General Index, and the FAC (including the Off-System Sales Tracker) and DSM Adjustment Clauses. Standard Electric Rate Schedules subject to this schedule are divided into Group 1 or Group 2 as follows:

Group 1: Rate Schedules RS; RTOD-Energy; RTOD-Demand; VFD; AES; LS; RLS; LE; and TE.
 Group 2: Rate Schedules GS; PS; TODS; TODP; RTS; and FLS.

RATE

The monthly billing amount under each of the schedules to which this mechanism is applicable, shall be increased or decreased by a percentage factor calculated in accordance with the following formula.

$$\text{Group Environmental Surcharge Billing Factor} = \text{Group E(m)} / \text{Group R(m)}$$

As set forth below, Group E(m) is the sum of Jurisdictional E(m) of each approved environmental compliance plan revenue requirement of environmental compliance costs for the current expense month allocated to each of Group 1 and Group 2. Group R(m) for Group 1 is the 12-month average revenue for the current expense month and for Group 2 it is the 12-month average non-fuel revenue for the current expense month.

DEFINITIONS

- 1) For all Plans, $E(m) = [(RB/12) (ROR + (ROR - DR) (TR / (1 - TR)))] + OE - EAS + BR$
 - a) RB is the Total Environmental Compliance Rate Base.
 - b) ROR is the Rate of Return on Environmental Compliance Rate Base, designated as the overall rate of return [cost of short-term debt, long-term debt, preferred stock, and common equity].
 - c) DR is the Debt Rate [cost of short-term debt, and long-term debt].
 - d) TR is the Composite Federal and State Income Tax Rate.
 - e) OE is the Operating Expenses. OE includes operation and maintenance expense recovery authorized by the K.P.S.C. in all approved ECR Plan proceedings.
 - f) EAS is the total proceeds from emission allowance sales.
 - g) BR is the operation and maintenance expenses, and/or revenues if applicable, associated with Beneficial Reuse.
 - h) Plans are the environmental surcharge compliance plans submitted to and approved by the Kentucky Public Service Commission pursuant to KRS 278.183.

DATE OF ISSUE: August 12, 2015

DATE EFFECTIVE: December 1, 2015

ISSUED BY: /s/ Edwin R. Staton, Vice President
 State Regulation and Rates
 Lexington, Kentucky

**Issued by Authority of an Order of the
 Public Service Commission in Case No.
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The monthly billing amount under each of the schedules to which this mechanism is applicable, shall be increased or decreased by a percentage factor calculated in accordance with the following formula.

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As set forth below, Group E(m) is the sum of Jurisdictional E(m) of each approved environmental compliance plan revenue requirement of environmental compliance costs for the current expense month allocated to each of Group 1 and Group 2. Group R(m) for Group 1 is the 12-month average revenue for the current expense month and for Group 2 it is the 12-month average non-fuel revenue for the current expense month.

DEFINITIONS

- 1) For all Plans, $E(m) = [(RB/12) (ROR + (ROR - DR) (TR / (1 - TR)))] + OE - EAS + BR$
 - a) RB is the Total Environmental Compliance Rate Base.
 - b) ROR is the Rate of Return on Environmental Compliance Rate Base, designated as the overall rate of return [cost of short-term debt, long-term debt, preferred stock, and common equity].
 - c) DR is the Debt Rate [cost of short-term debt, and long-term debt].
 - d) TR is the Composite Federal and State Income Tax Rate.
 - e) OE is the Operating Expenses. OE includes operation and maintenance expense recovery authorized by the K.P.S.C. in all approved ECR Plan proceedings.
 - f) EAS is the total proceeds from emission allowance sales.
 - g) BR is the operation and maintenance expenses, and/or revenues if applicable, associated with Beneficial Reuse.
 - h) Plans are the environmental surcharge compliance plans submitted to and approved by the Kentucky Public Service Commission pursuant to KRS 278.183.

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