COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY)	
UTILITIES COMPANY FOR AN)	
ADJUSTMENT OF ITS ELECTRIC RATES)	CASE NO. 2016-00370
AND FOR CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC)	
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)	

PETITION OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY FOR CONFIDENTIAL PROTECTION

Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU" or the "Company") hereby petitions the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13 and KRS 61.878(1) to grant confidential protection for the items described herein, which KU seeks to provide in its supplemental response to Item 2-12(a), (c), and (f) and 2-13 of the Kentucky League of Cities' ("KLC") Request for Information.¹

Confidential Personal Information – Customer-Identifying Information (KRS 61.878(1)(a))

The Kentucky Open Records Act exempts from disclosure certain private and personal information.² In its supplemental responses to KLC Items 2-12(a), (c), and (f) and 2-13, KU is providing confidential spreadsheets that contain customer names and account numbers. The identification of specific customers is personal information that should not be in the public domain. The Commission recently granted confidential protection to similar customeridentifying information.³ Because the responses to KLC Items 2-12(a), (c), and (f) and 2-13

¹ KU also sought confidential protection for comparable customer information provided in response to KLC Item 1-46 in its Petition for Confidential Protection filed on February 9, 2017.

² KRS 61.878(1)(a).

³ In the Matter of: Application of Kentucky Utilities Company for an Adjustment of its Electric Rates, Case No. 2012-000221, Order at 1-2 (Ky. PSC July 25, 2013) (granting confidential protection to customer names, account numbers, and usage information); In the Matter of: Application of Louisville Gas and Electric Company for an Adjustment of its Electric and Gas Rates, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, Approval of Ownership of Gas Service Lines and Risers, and a Gas Line Surcharge, Case No. 2012-00222, Order at 1-2 (Ky. PSC July 16, 2013) (granting confidential protection to "customer-identifying information such as customer names and account

identify specific customers and account numbers, KU requests through this petition that the Commission protect the confidential portions of the documents from public disclosure.

- 2. The information for which KU is seeking confidential treatment is not known outside of KU, and it is not disseminated within KU except to those employees with a legitimate business need to know the information.
- 3. KU will disclose the confidential information, pursuant to a confidentiality agreement, to intervenors with a legitimate interest in this information and as required by the Commission.
- 4. If the Commission disagrees with this request for confidential protection, however, it must hold an evidentiary hearing (a) to protect KU's due process rights and (b) to supply the Commission with a complete record to enable it to reach a decision with regard to this matter.⁴
- 5. In compliance with 807 KAR 5:001, Sections 8(3) and 13(2)(e), KU is filing with the Commission one copy of the confidential spreadsheets on a portable electronic storage medium. The non-confidential content was previously filed on February 20, 2017.
- 6. KU requests that confidential protection be granted indefinitely due to the sensitive nature of the information at issue.

WHEREFORE, Kentucky Utilities Company respectfully requests that the Commission grant confidential protection for the information described herein.

numbers"); see also In the Matter of: Application of Kentucky-American Water Company for an Adjustment of Rates Supported by a Fully Forecasted Test Year, Case No. 2012-00520, Order at 4 (Ky. PSC Aug. 1, 2014) (granting confidential protection to the response of Staff Item 77, which contained customer-identifying information like names, account numbers, balance history, and the names of customers qualifying for discounted service); In the Matter of: DPi Teleconnect, LLC v. Bellsouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Kentucky, Case No. 2005-00455, Letter from Stephanie Stumbo to Mary Keyer (Ky. PSC May 29, 2008).

⁴ Utility Regulatory Commission v. Kentucky Water Service Company, Inc., 642 S.W.2d 591, 592-94 (Ky. App. 1982).

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

This is to certify that Kentucky Utilities Company's February 27, 2017 electronic filing of the Petition for Confidential Protection is a true and accurate copy of the same document being filed in paper medium; that the electronic filing has been transmitted to the Commission on February 27, 2017; that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that an original in paper medium of the Petition and an unobscured copy of the material for which confidentiality is sought are being hand delivered to the Commission on February 27, 2017.

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