

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

KENTUCKY INDUSTRIAL UTILITY CUSTOMERS, INC.)	
)	
COMPLAINANT)	
V.)	Case No. 2018-00036
)	
DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC.)	
)	
DEFENDANT)	

MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

Comes now Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (“Duke Energy Kentucky” or “Company”), by counsel, and moves the Kentucky Public Service Commission (“Commission”) for an Order consolidating the above-styled case with Duke Energy Kentucky’s natural gas rate case, Case No. 2018-00261,¹ which was filed with the Commission on August 31, 2018.

In support of this Motion, Duke Energy Kentucky states that consolidation of the two cases will result in greater administrative efficiency since the two cases involve similar issues of law and fact. Consolidating the two cases will also ensure that the parties do not spend additional time, money and resources litigating the same issues twice. Furthermore, consolidation will allow a more comprehensive review of the total impacts of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (“TCJA”) and will reduce the possibility of inconsistent outcomes. Indeed, the rate case already makes assumptions related to the TJCA as part of its filing.

¹ *In the Matter of: Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.’s Application for Authority to Adjust Natural Gas Rates, Approval of a Decoupling Mechanism, Approval of New Tariffs, and for All Other Required Approvals, Waivers, and Relief.*

The Commission recently granted the same type of consolidation to Water Service Corporation of Kentucky on August 30, 2018 in Case Nos. 2018-00043,² and 2018-00208.³ In that Order, the Commission found that the two cases present similar questions of fact and law related to the TCJA and no parties would be prejudiced by consolidating the two cases. The Commission also found that this would allow more time to thoroughly review the impacts of the TCJA and will achieve administrative efficiencies.

WHEREFORE, for good cause shown, Duke Energy Kentucky respectfully requests an Order from the Commission consolidating Case No. 2018-00036 and Case No. 2018-00261.

This the 1st day of October, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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² *In the Matter of: Electronic Investigation of the Impact of the Tax Cut and Job Act on the Rates of Water Service Corporation of Kentucky.*

³ *In the Matter of: Electronic Application of Water Service Corporation of Kentucky for a General Adjustment in Existing Rates.*

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the foregoing electronic filing is a true and accurate copy of the document being filed in paper medium; that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Commission on October 1, 2018; that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that a copy of the filing in paper medium is being hand-delivered to the Commission within two (2) business days.

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