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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND 2ND DAY DELIVERY

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Ms. Gwen R. Pinson Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd Frankfort, KY 40601

Re: <u>Case No. 2018-00143</u> In the Matter of: Electronic Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.

Dear Ms. Pinson:

Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. hereby submits its 1st Response to Commission's Staff First Request for Information electronically pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001. The original and six (6) copies of the responses will be mailed to the Commission via 2nd day delivery. I certify that the electronic documents are true and accurate copies of the original documents.

In addition, please find enclosed one copy of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.'s Motion for Confidential Treatment. Enclosed in the white envelope is one (1) copy of the confidential information being filed under seal.

Please date-stamp the extra two copies of this letter and return to me in the enclosed envelope.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: As stated