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

Re: **Case No. 2018-00323**

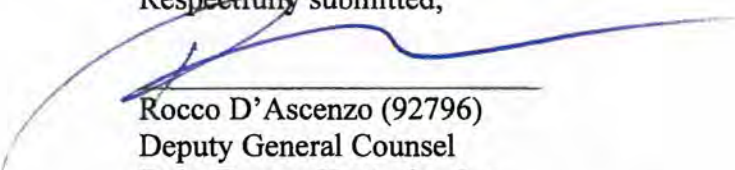
In the Matter of The Electronic Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for An Order Authorizing the Issuance of Unsecured Debt and Long-Term Notes, Execution and Delivery of Long-Term Loan Agreements, and Use of Interest Rate Management Instruments

Dear Ms. Pinson:

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

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

Respectfully submitted,



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