COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF DUKE ENERGY (KENTUCKY, INC. FOR: 1) AN ADJUSTMENT OF THE ELECTRIC RATES; 2) APPROVAL OF NEW TARIFFS; 3) APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTING TO ESTABLISH REGULATORY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES; AND 4) ALL OTHER REQUIRED APPROVALS AND RELIEF) CASE NO. 2019-00271

NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY’S MOTION TO EXCUSE WITNESS FROM HEARING

Comes now Northern Kentucky University (“NKU”) and moves the Commission to excuse Rebecca Lanter, or her proxy, from having to participate in the evidentiary hearing scheduled to be heard in this matter commencing on February 19, 2020. As grounds for this motion NKU states as follows.

Rebecca Lanter’s participation in this case has been very limited. She has filed no testimony; rather, she has sponsored responses to two discovery requests by Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. – DEK 1-2 and DEK 1-3. Neither response proffered any specific details relative to the Commission’s final adjudication of the merits of DEK’s application.

In addition, Mrs. Lanter has very recently left her employment with NKU. While a proxy could be offered in her stead, that person would have provided the same responses to the discovery.
Moreover, the parties to this action have agreed to excuse Mrs. Lanter from attending the hearing.

Last, the excusal of Mrs. Lanter will not interfere with NKU’s ability to meaningfully participate in this hearing and to continue to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matters as stated in NKU’s Petition for Full Intervention or as may otherwise materialize at the hearing.

WHEREFORE, Northern Kentucky University respectfully requests the Commission excuse Rebecca Lanter, or her proxy, from participating at the hearing in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the attached Northern Kentucky University’s Motion to Excuse Witness from Hearing is a true and accurate copy of the same document being filed in paper medium with the Commission; that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Commission on February 14, 2020; that there are no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that one original and one copy of the filing in paper medium are being delivered to the Commission within two (2) business days.

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