

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE)	
GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR RENEWAL)	
AND PROPOSED MODIFICATION OF ITS)	CASE NO.
PERFORMANCE-BASED RATEMAKING)	2019-00437
MECHANISM)	

ATTORNEY GENERAL’S INITIAL DATA REQUESTS

Comes now the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by and through his Office of Rate Intervention, and submits these Initial Data Requests to Louisville Gas & Electric Company [“LG&E,” or “the Company”] to be answered by the date specified in the Commission’s Orders of Procedure, and in accord with the following:

- (1) In each case where a request seeks data provided in response to a staff request, reference to the appropriate request item will be deemed a satisfactory response.
- (2) Identify the witness who will be prepared to answer questions concerning each request.
- (3) Repeat the question to which each response is intended to refer. The Office of the Attorney General can provide counsel for LG&E with an electronic version of these questions, upon request.
- (4) These requests shall be deemed continuing so as to require further and supplemental responses if the company receives or generates additional information within the scope of these requests between the time of the response and the time of any hearing conducted hereon.
- (5) Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity

that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

(6) If you believe any request appears confusing, request clarification directly from Counsel for the Office of Attorney General.

(7) To the extent that the specific document, workpaper or information as requested does not exist, but a similar document, workpaper or information does exist, provide the similar document, workpaper, or information.

(8) To the extent that any request may be answered by way of a computer printout, identify each variable contained in the printout which would not be self-evident to a person not familiar with the printout.

(9) If the company has objections to any request on the grounds that the requested information is proprietary in nature, or for any other reason, notify the Office of the Attorney General as soon as possible.

(10) As used herein, the words "document" or "documents" are to be construed broadly and shall mean the original of the same (and all non-identical copies or drafts thereof) and if the original is not available, the best copy available. These terms shall include all information recorded in any written, graphic or other tangible form and shall include, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all reports; memoranda; books or notebooks; written or recorded statements, interviews, affidavits and depositions; all letters or correspondence; telegrams, cables and telex messages; contracts, leases, insurance policies or other agreements; warnings and caution/hazard notices or labels; mechanical and electronic recordings and all information so stored, or transcripts of such recordings; calendars, appointment books, schedules, agendas and diary entries; notes or memoranda of conversations (telephonic or

otherwise), meetings or conferences; legal pleadings and transcripts of legal proceedings; maps, models, charts, diagrams, graphs and other demonstrative materials; financial statements, annual reports, balance sheets and other accounting records; quotations or offers; bulletins, newsletters, pamphlets, brochures and all other similar publications; summaries or compilations of data; deeds, titles, or other instruments of ownership; blueprints and specifications; manuals, guidelines, regulations, procedures, policies and instructional materials of any type; photographs or pictures, film, microfilm and microfiche; videotapes; articles; announcements and notices of any type; surveys, studies, evaluations, tests and all research and development (R&D) materials; newspaper clippings and press releases; time cards, employee schedules or rosters, and other payroll records; cancelled checks, invoices, bills and receipts; and writings of any kind and all other tangible things upon which any handwriting, typing, printing, drawings, representations, graphic matter, magnetic or electrical impulses, or other forms of communication are recorded or produced, including audio and video recordings, computer stored information (whether or not in printout form), computer-readable media or other electronically maintained or transmitted information regardless of the media or format in which they are stored, and all other rough drafts, revised drafts (including all handwritten notes or other marks on the same) and copies of documents as hereinbefore defined by whatever means made.

(11) For any document withheld on the basis of privilege, state the following: date; author; addressee; indicated or blind copies; all persons to whom distributed, shown, or explained; and, the nature and legal basis for the privilege asserted.

(12) In the event any document called for has been destroyed or transferred beyond the control of the company, state: the identity of the person by whom it was destroyed or

transferred, and the person authorizing the destruction or transfer; the time, place, and method of destruction or transfer; and, the reason(s) for its destruction or transfer. If destroyed or disposed of by operation of a retention policy, state the retention policy.

(13) Provide written responses, together with any and all exhibits pertaining thereto, in one or more bound volumes, separately indexed and tabbed by each response, in compliance with Kentucky Public Service Commission Regulations.

(14) “And” and “or” should be considered to be both conjunctive and disjunctive, unless specifically stated otherwise.

(15) “Each” and “any” should be considered to be both singular and plural, unless specifically stated otherwise.

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Certificate of Service and Filing

Counsel certifies that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the same document being filed in paper medium with the Commission within two business days; that the electronic filing has been transmitted to the Commission on February 7, 2020; that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding.

This 7th day of February, 2020.



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Electronic Application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for Renewal
and Proposed Modification of its Performance-Based Ratemaking Mechanism
Case No. 2019-00437

1. Confirm that LG&E obtains gas supply on south-to-north pipelines, north-to-south pipelines and via backhauls.
2. Explain whether the measures the Company employs under the PBR to obtain the least-cost gas supply vary for gas sourced from one region to another region; e.g., for gas sourced from the Permian Basin as opposed to Marcellus or Utica.
3. Provide the indicies already used in the PBR mecahnsim.
 - a. Refer also to the Commission Staff's first data request, item no. 2. Of the other Kentucky LDCs utilizing a PBR, provide the indices utilized by the other LDCs, if known.
4. Explain whether LG&E utilizes the services of external consultants in the PBR. If so:
 - a. Provide the name(s) of such consultants;
 - b. Provide the duration of each contract governing the services such consultant(s) provide;
 - c. Explain whether LG&E issues RFPs for the services these consultants provide, and if so, how frequently.
5. Reference the "Report To The Kentucky Public Service Commission On Gas Supply Cost Performance-Based Ratemaking Mechanism," dated Dec. 27, 2019, p. 8, wherein it is stated, "Importantly, LG&E's PBR mechanism encourages it to optimize its purchases across the purchase locations accessible by LG&E." Explain whether there are any purchase locations in the eastern U.S. not accessible to the Company. If so:
 - a. Identify them; and
 - b. Explain why each such purchase location is inaccessible.