

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In the Matters of:

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| ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF) | |
| KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY) | |
| FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF ITS) | |
| ELECTRIC RATES, A CERTIFICATE) | |
| OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND) | |
| NECESSITY TO DEPLOY) | CASE NO. 2020-00349 |
| ADVANCED METERING) | |
| INFRASTRUCTURE, APPROVAL OF) | |
| CERTAIN REGULATORY AND) | |
| ACCOUNTING TREATMENTS, AND) | |
| ESTABLISHMENT OF A ONE-YEAR) | |
| SURCREDIT) | |

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| ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF) | |
| LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC) | |
| COMPANY FOR AN ADJUSTMENT) | |
| OF ITS ELECTRIC AND GAS RATES,) | |
| A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC) | |
| CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY) | CASE NO. 2020-00350 |
| TO DEPLOY ADVANCED METERING) | |
| INFRASTRUCTURE, APPROVAL OF) | |
| CERTAIN REGULATORY AND) | |
| ACCOUNTING TREATMENTS, AND) | |
| ESTABLISHMENT OF A ONE-YEAR) | |
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**SIERRA CLUB’S MOTION TO ATTEND HEARING VIRTUALLY
OR, ALTERNATIVELY, TO BE EXCUSED FROM HEARING**

Sierra Club hereby respectfully moves the Commission to permit the undersigned counsel to virtually attend the hearing scheduled for August 17-18, 2021, in the above-captioned matters, in light of risks and restrictions associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. In the event that the Commission is not inclined to permit counsel’s virtual attendance, Sierra Club respectfully

requests, in the alternative, to be excused from participating in this hearing. Sierra Club will not be presenting any witnesses at the hearing; this Motion pertains only to its counsel.

In support of this Motion, Sierra Club states that its current policy prohibits work-related travel by staff, with exceptions to be considered on a case-by-case basis only for extraordinary essential situations; that counsel is a caregiver to a family member who is at heightened risk; and that the ongoing rise in cases during the propagation of the so-called Delta variant causes added concern. Sierra Club further submits that its virtual attendance will not prejudice the Commission or any party. Counsel for Sierra Club has participated virtually in several Commission hearings without issue during the pandemic, and their virtual attendance at this hearing would likewise go smoothly.

For the foregoing reasons, Sierra Club requests that the Commission allow its counsel to attend the upcoming hearing virtually. If the Commission declines to grant that request, Sierra Club requests that the Commission excuse its counsel from the hearing altogether, given that counsel are not prepared to attend in-person, and that Sierra Club is not essential to this proceeding (again, Sierra Club will not be presenting any witnesses). Sierra Club thanks the Commission for its consideration of this Motion.

Dated: August 5, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the foregoing copy of SIERRA CLUB'S MOTION TO ATTEND HEARING VIRTUALLY OR, ALTERNATIVELY, TO BE EXCUSED FROM HEARING in the above-captioned actions is being electronically transmitted to the Commission on August 5, 2021; and that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding.



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