

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF)
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC)
COMPANY FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF ITS) CASE NO. 2020-00350
ELECTRIC AND GAS RATES, A)
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE)
AND NECESSITY TO DEPLOY ADVANCED)
METERING INFRASTRUCTURE,)
APPROVAL OF CERTAIN REGULATORY)
AND ACCOUNTING TREATMENTS, AND)
ESTABLISHMENT OF A ONE-YEAR)
SURCREDIT)

**KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY AND
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY’S
RESPONSE TO ATTORNEY GENERAL’S
MOTION TO EXCUSE WITNESS STEPHEN J. BARON**

Kentucky Utilities Company (“KU”) and Louisville Gas and Electric Company (“LG&E”) (collectively “the Companies”), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001 Section 5(2), hereby respond to, and ask the Commission to deny in part and grant in part, the Motion to Excuse Witness Stephen J. Baron (“Motion”) filed with the Kentucky Public Service Commission (“Commission”) on August 5, 2021, by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (“AG”).

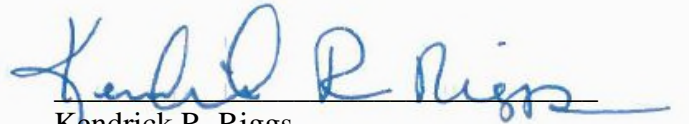
The AG's Motion requests the Commission excuse Mr. Baron from the scheduled August 17-18 hearing altogether or, in the alternative, allow Mr. Baron to testify virtually at the hearing due to his out-of-state residence and his medical conditions.

KU and LG&E have no objection to Mr. Baron testifying virtually, but KU and LG&E do object to excusing Mr. Baron from attending the hearing altogether. KU and LG&E expect to cross examine Mr. Baron at the hearing and reserve the right to do so.

WHEREFORE, Kentucky Utilities Company and Louisville Gas and Electric Company respectfully ask the Kentucky Public Service Commission to grant so much of the Attorney General's Motion and allow Mr. Baron to testify virtually but deny the Attorney General's Motion to excuse Mr. Baron from attending the August 17-18, 2021.

Dated: August 9, 2021

Respectfully submitted,



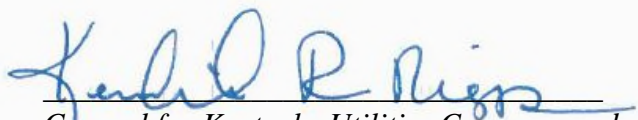
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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

In accordance with the Commission's Order of July 22, 2021 in Case No. 2020-00085 (Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19), this is to certify that the electronic filing has been transmitted to the Commission on August 9, 2021; and that there are currently no parties in this proceeding that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means.



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