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RE: Electronic Application of Louisville Gas and Electric Company for an Adjustment of Its Electric and Gas Rates, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Deploy Advanced Meter Infrastructure, Approval of Certain Regulatory and Accounting Treatments, and Establishment of a One-Year Surcredit Case No. 2020-00350

Dear Ms. Bridwell:

In response to Ordering Paragraph No. 26 of the Commission's Order of June 30, 2021 and Commission's Order of December 6, 2021, in the above-captioned proceeding, please find and accept Louisville Gas and Electric Company's ("LG&E") third annual report that sets forth how the Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("BREC") Settlement funds were used, and the strategy for future use of the funds.

The Settlement Agreement was filed and approved by the Commission as part of Case No. 2019-00370, included Section 1.2 – Consideration in Exchange for Modification of Territorial Boundary Map. BREC agreed in this section to pay a one-time payment to LG&E upon approval in Case No. 2019-00370 and an annual payment that is to begin the first day of January of the year following the start of commercial operation of the Nucor facility. The Nucor facility commenced commercial operations in 2023 and annual payments from BREC began in 2024. LG&E received the first annual payment on January 1, 2024.

As discussed in Case No. 2020-00350, once the annual payments are received from BREC, LG&E plans to direct these funds toward economic development in the LG&E service territory and will include how the funds were used in future annual reports to the Commission.

As of the date of this report, no funds have been disbursed. LG&E intends to strategically make contributions which endeavor to retain and generate jobs with quality wages, increase capital investments from businesses, support the creation of economic development related sites and improve real estate, further catalyze workforce development and more to enhance economic prosperity throughout the LG&E electric service territory.

In accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8 and the Commission's Order of July 22, 2021 in Case No. 2020-00085, I certify that the electronic filing has been transmitted to the Commission on July 31, 2024 and that there are currently no parties in this proceeding that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means.

Should you have any questions regarding the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Rick E. Lovekamp