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DATA REQUEST

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REQUEST:

Refer to the Application, Appendix B, page 2 of 7. Also, refer to Case No. 2019-00406, Appendix b, page 2 of 7.¹

a. For each of the following programs, explain why the total projected program costs have increased between the two budgeted years:

- 1) Low Income Neighborhood
- 2) Low Income Services
- 3) Residential Energy Assessments
- 4) Residential Smart Saver
- 5) Power Manager
- 6) Small Business Energy Saver
- 7) Smart Saver Custom
- 8) Smart Saver Prescriptive

b. Explain why the total projected program costs have decreased between the two budgeted years for the PowerShare Program.

RESPONSE:

a. In comparing the forecast for program year 2020 – 2021 to program year 2021 – 2022, the projected costs increases are primarily a result of a change to

¹ Case No. 2019-000406, *Electronic Annual Cost Recovery Filing for Demand Side Management by Duke Energy Kentucky* (Ky. PSC Apr. 29, 2020).

administrative cost allocations that occurred in January 2021 due to a change in law in Ohio that ends utility energy efficiency programs in that state. The elimination of Ohio's EE programs means there are fewer utilities to share in the administrative costs allocations. Some of the programs also have an increase to evaluation, measurement, and verification (EM&V) costs included in the 2021 – 2022 forecast.

b. A large customer terminated its PowerShare agreement in August 2020 due to concerns over failure to meet its contracted curtailment capability. This reduced the overall incentive/premium payments for 2020 – 2021 by \$113,000. For the 2021 – 2022 program year, that same customer has considered rejoining the program at nearly half its previous option load which, if it comes to fruition, would keep incentives/premiums down by an estimated \$70,000.

PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Trisha Haemmerle – a.
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