### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF OHIO	)	
	)	SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON	)	

The undersigned, Bruce Sailers, Director Jurisdictional Rate Administration, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the foregoing data requests, and that the answers contained therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Bruce Sailers Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Bruce Sailers on this 2010 day of December, 2022.

My Commission Expires: Joly 8, 2027

EMILIE SUNDERMAN Notary Public State of Ohio My Comm. Expires July 8, 2027

### VERIFICATION

STATE OF	Ohio	)	aa
COUNTY OF	Hamilton	)	SS

The undersigned, Chris Lange, VP Zone Operations being duly sworn, deposes and says that he has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the foregoing data requests, and that the answers contained therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Chris Lange, Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Chris Lange on this 21<sup>5+</sup> day of <u>December</u> 2022.

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My Commission Expires: Nesch

### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA	)	
	)	SS:
COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG	)	

The undersigned, Scott Park, Manager Director IRP & Analytics being duly sworn, deposes and says that he has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the foregoing data requests, and that the answers contained therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Scott/Park, Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Scott Park on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022.

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My Commission Expires: June 8, 2025

#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC TARIFF FILING OF DUKE	)	
ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF	)	CASE NO.
AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE	)	2022-00394
SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH DIVERSEY, INC.	)	

## PETITION OF DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC. FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN ITS AGREEMENT WITH DIVERSEY, INC.

Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (Duke Energy Kentucky or Company), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, respectfully requests the Commission to classify and protect certain information provided by Duke Energy Kentucky in its responses to requests for information, as requested by Commission Staff (Staff) in this case on December 7, 2022. Specifically, the Company requests confidential treatment for Confidential Attachments 1 and 2 in response to Data Request No. 2. The information for which Duke Energy Kentucky now seeks confidential treatment (Confidential Information), includes Company's forecasts of hourly energy pricing over the next several years and customer account information, specific load information, and estimated monthly bills over the next two years.

In support of this Petition, Duke Energy Kentucky states:

1. The Kentucky Open Records Act exempts from disclosure certain commercial information. KRS 61.878(1)(c). To qualify for this exemption and, therefore, maintain the confidentiality of the information, a party must establish that disclosure of the commercial information would permit an unfair advantage to competitors of that party. Public disclosure of

the information identified herein would, in fact, prompt such a result for the reasons set forth below.

- 2. The information submitted and for which the Company is seeking confidential protection in STAFF-DR-01-001 Confidential Attachment 1 includes proprietary modeling forecasts and the Company's assumptions of future market prices in PJM. It consists of forecasted hourly locational marginal pricing for the next five years. The information contained in STAFF-DR-01-001 Continental Attachment 2 includes projected bills which contains customer specific account, load information, and operating characteristics for the next two years. If made public, this information would provide the specific customer account and load information as well as insight into Duke Energy Kentucky's operations and assumptions for dispatching generation and meeting load obligations. This information would give competitors and potential vendors a distinct advantage in competing for business or negotiating contracts.
- 3. The Confidential Information is distributed within Duke Energy Kentucky, only to those who must have access for business reasons and is generally recognized as confidential and proprietary in the energy industry.
- 4. The Confidential Information for which Duke Energy Kentucky is seeking confidential treatment is not known outside of Duke Energy Corporation.
- 5. Duke Energy Kentucky does not object to limited disclosure of the confidential information described herein, pursuant to an acceptable protective agreement, with the Attorney General or other intervenors with a legitimate interest in reviewing the same.
- 6. This information was, and remains, integral to Duke Energy Kentucky's effective execution of business decisions. And such information is generally regarded as confidential or proprietary. Indeed, as the Kentucky Supreme Court has found, "information concerning the inner

workings of a corporation is 'generally accepted as confidential or proprietary.'" Hoy v. Kentucky

*Industrial Revitalization Authority*, 904 S.W.2d 766, 768 (Ky. 1995).

7. In accordance with the provisions of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(3), the Company

is filing one copy of the Confidential Information separately under seal, and one copy without the

Confidential Information included.

8. Duke Energy Kentucky respectfully requests that the Confidential Information be

withheld from public disclosure for a period of ten years. This will assure that the Confidential

Information – if disclosed after that time – will no longer be commercially sensitive so as to likely

impair the interests of the Company or its customers if publicly disclosed.

9. To the extent the Confidential information becomes generally available to the

public, whether through filings required by other agencies or otherwise, Duke Energy Kentucky

will notify the Commission and have its confidential status removed, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001

Section 13(10)(a).

WHEREFORE, Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc., respectfully requests that the Commission

classify and protect as confidential the specific information described herein.

Respectfully submitted,

DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC.

/s/Rocco D'Ascenzo

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that the foregoing electronic filing is a true and accurate copy of the document in paper medium; that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Commission on December 21, 2022; that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that submitting the original filing to the Commission in paper medium is no longer required as it has been granted a permanent deviation.<sup>1</sup>

/s/Rocco D'Ascenzo
Rocco O. D'Ascenzo

<sup>1</sup>In the Matter of Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19, Order, Case No. 2020-00085 (Ky. P.S.C. July 22, 2021).

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Date Received: December 7, 2022

**STAFF-DR-01-001** 

**REQUEST:** 

Refer to Administrative Case No. 327, <sup>1</sup> finding paragraph 5, which states, "EDRs should

only be offered during periods of excess capacity. Utilities should demonstrate, upon

submission of each EDR contract, that the load expected to be served during each year of

the contract period will not cause them to fall below a reserve margin that is considered

essential for system reliability. Such a reserve margin should be identified and justified

with each EDR contract filing." Explain whether the proposed contract complies with this

requirement. If so, provide support showing that it does comply. If not, explain why not.

**RESPONSE:** 

The proposed DIR contract follows the terms and conditions of the Company's

Commission-approved tariffed rate, Development Incentive Rider (Rider DIR), KY. P.S.C.

Electric No. 2, Sheet No. 86. Rider DIR was approved by the Commission on February 2,

2005, in Case No 2004-00253, approximately fifteen years after the Commission's decision

on September 24, 1990, in Administrative Case No. 327. Further the Kentucky Supreme

Court affirmed the Commission's approval of the Company's Rider DIR incentive on

August 26, 2010. See PSC of Ky v. Commonwealth 320 S.W.3d 669.

As a member of PJM Interconnection LLC, since 2011, Duke Energy Kentucky has

access to wholesale capacity markets that did not exist at the time of the Commission's

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<sup>1</sup> Administrative Case No. 327, *An Investigation into the Implementation of Economic Development Rates by Electric and Gas Utilities* (Ky. PSC Sept. 24, 1990).

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decision in Administrative Case 327 in 1990. Accordingly, the Company believes this comparative reference to Admin 327 is inapplicable.

Nonetheless, Duke Energy Kentucky currently has sufficient capacity to serve its load along with the necessary reserve margin for the duration of the proposed contract. In addition to the Tri-annual Integrated Resource Planning process, Duke Energy Kentucky reports on projected reserve margins annually as part of Administrative Case 387. The Company's most recent reporting was submitted on March 31, 2022, and showed the following projected reserves:

Projected reserve margins are calculated as follows and assume PJM's UCAP methodology:

Reserve Margin (MW) = Generating Capacity – Peak Demand – Demand Response

Reserve Margin (%) = (Generating Capacity / (Peak Demand – Demand Response)) - 1

Year	Projected	Projected Reserve
	Reserves	Margin (%)
	(UCAP MW)	
2022	188	29%
2023	188	27%
2024	198	28%
2025	199	27%
2026	216	27%

This data reflects the Fall 2021 Load Forecast. The current fleet consists of, based on summer rating, the 600 MW East Bend 2 and 462 MW Woodsdale generating stations plus 7 MW solar.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Scott Park

STAFF First Set Data Requests

Date Received: December 7, 2022

**PUBLIC STAFF-DR-01-002** 

**REQUEST:** 

Refer to Administrative Case No. 327, finding paragraph 6, which states, "Upon

submission of each EDR contract, a utility should demonstrate that the discounted rate

exceeds the marginal cost associated with serving the customer. Marginal cost includes

both the marginal cost of capacity as well as the marginal cost of energy. In order to

demonstrate marginal cost recovery, a utility should submit, with each EDR contract, a

current marginal cost of service study. A current study is one conducted no more than one

year prior to the date of the contract." Provide a current marginal cost of service study

conducted no more than one year prior to the date of the contract showing that the

discounted rate exceeds the marginal cost associated with serving Diversey, Inc.

**RESPONSE:** 

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Based on the projected billed demand and energy consumption of the customer, the

Company reviewed both the marginal cost to serve the customer and the projected bills,

both on a \$/kWh basis. The marginal cost to serve the customer is broken into three (3)

items but simplifies to one in this case. The first item, marginal capacity, was reviewed

with the Company's capacity planners. The Company confirms that capacity is currently

available above our minimum required capacity and reserve requirements. Therefore, the

Company concludes that there is no marginal cost of capacity for this DIR contract. The

second item is new infrastructure requirements under the Company's line extension policy.

Upon review, the Company confirms that another associated customer paid for the line

extension costs so they could market the location to potential customers. Given that all line

extension costs are paid, there are no marginal costs associated with the new infrastructure.

Finally, the Company reviewed the marginal cost of energy to service the customer based

on the customer's projected consumption. Upon review, the Company estimates the

average PJM LMP consistent with the customer's projected consumption patterns is 7.2

cents per kWh for 2023. See STAFF-DR-01-002 Confidential Attachment 1 for the

projected hourly PJM LMP. The projected bills using current rates and applying the DIR

discount comes to 8.7 cents per kWh for 2023. See STAFF-DR-01-002 Confidential

Attachment 2 for the projected bill amounts. The projected billed charge is greater than the

Company's projected marginal cost to serve. Therefore, the Company concludes the DIR

arrangement recovers the marginal cost to service the customer.

PERSON RESPONSIBLE:

Bruce L. Sailers

# CONFIDENTIAL PROPRIETARY TRADE SECRET

## STAFF-DR-01-002 CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT 1

### FILED UNDER SEAL

# CONFIDENTIAL PROPRIETARY TRADE SECRET

## STAFF-DR-01-002 CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT 2

### FILED UNDER SEAL

STAFF First Set Data Requests

Date Received: December 7, 2022

**STAFF-DR-01-003** 

**REQUEST:** 

Refer to Administrative Case No. 327, finding paragraph 9, which states, "All EDR

contracts should include a provision providing for the recovery of EDR customer-specific

fixed costs over the life of the contract." Explain whether the proposed contract complies

with this requirement. If no, explain why not.

**RESPONSE:** 

All costs to establish service were paid as contribution in aid of construction by

either the site developer or the customer.

The proposed DIR contract follows the terms and conditions of the Company's

Commission-approved tariffed rate, Development Incentive Rider (Rider DIR), KY. P.S.C.

Electric No. 2, Sheet No. 86. Rider DIR was approved by the Commission on February 2,

2005, in Case No. 2004-00253, approximately fifteen years after the Commission's

decision on September 24, 1990, in Administrative Case No. 327. Further the Kentucky

Supreme Court affirmed the Company's Rider DIR incentive on August 26, 2010. See PSC

of Ky v. Commonwealth 320 S.W.3d 669. By tariff, the term of the Rider DIR contract

provides a discount for twelve months, coupled with a commitment to continue service at

a minimum peak demand and load factor for at least two years following the discounted

periods. Further, the contract provides, in paragraph 6, page 5, that Duke Energy Kentucky

is not obligated to extend, expand, or rearrange its facilities to serve the customer and that

any changes in facilities required may result in additional costs to the customer.

PERSON RESPONSIBLE:

Chris Lange

STAFF First Set Data Requests

Date Received: December 7, 2022

**STAFF-DR-01-004** 

**REQUEST:** 

Refer to Administrative Case No. 327, finding paragraph 12, which states in relevant part,

"For new industrial customers, an EDR should apply only to load which exceeds a

minimum base level." Explain whether the proposed contract complies with this

requirement. If not, explain why not.

**RESPONSE:** 

The incentive applies to the customer's total bill, exclusive of riders (e.g., fuel,

environmental, etc.) for a period of twelve months. The proposed DIR contract follows the

terms and conditions of the Company's Commission-approved tariffed rate, Development

Incentive Rider (Rider DIR), KY. P.S.C. Electric No. 2, Sheet No. 86, which provides in

relevant part:

**NET MONTHLY BILLING** 

The customer shall comply with all terms of the standard tariff rate under

which the customer takes service except that the customer's total bill for

electric service, less any rate adjustment rider amounts as shown on the

standard service tariff, shall be reduced by up to fifty (50) percent for a

period of twelve (12) months. The customer will pay the full amount of the

riders so indicated. The customer may request an effective date of the Rider

which is no later than twelve (12) months after the Special Contract is

approved and signed by the Company. All subsequent billings shall be at

the appropriate full standard service tariff rate.

Rider DIR's billing terms were approved by the Commission on February 2, 2005, in Case

No. 2004-00253, approximately fifteen years after the Commission's decision on

September 24, 1990, in Administrative Case No. 327. The Commission described this

tariff's structure to the Kentucky Supreme Court in its Appellant Brief as follows:

"Customers who qualify for either the Economic Development Program or Urban

Redevelopment Program are eligible for a reduction of their total bill for electric service

(excluding any standard tariff rate adjustment rider amounts) by up to fifty percent for a

period of twelve months..." And, in supporting its approval of the tariff, the Commission

argued that "the record amply demonstrates that ULH&P's EDR tariff is reasonable in light

of the significant procedural and substantive protections attaching to the tariff.<sup>2</sup> The Court

affirmed the Commission's approval of the Company's Rider DIR incentive on August 26,

2010. See PSC of Ky v. Commonwealth 320 S.W.3d 669.

PERSON RESPONSIBLE:

Bruce L. Sailers

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<sup>1</sup> See Kentucky Public Service Commission v. Commonwealth of Kentucky, Case No. 2008-SC-000483, Brief for Appellant, Kentucky Public Service Commission pg. 4, June 15, 2009; 320 S.W.3d 669.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* pg. 38.