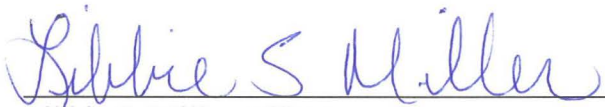



**VERIFICATION**

STATE OF OHIO                                    )  
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COUNTY OF HAMILTON                        )        **SS:**

The undersigned, Libbie S. Miller, Rates & Regulatory Strategy Manager, being duly sworn, deposes and says that she 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 her knowledge, information and belief.

  
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Libbie S. Miller Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Libbie S. Miller on this 13<sup>TH</sup> day of NOVEMBER, 2023.

  
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NOTARY PUBLIC



**ADELE M. FRISCH**  
Notary Public, State of Ohio  
My Commission Expires 01-05-2024

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**Duke Energy Kentucky**  
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**STAFF-DR-03-001**

**REQUEST:**

Explain in detail the circumstances that would result in Duke Kentucky reporting a negative dollar value for a Coal burned, Oil burned, or Gas burned under Company Generation in its FAC Form A rate sheet filing.

**RESPONSE:**

The Company could report a negative coal, oil, or gas burned dollar value in its FAC as a result of accounting entries to the general ledger. The Company had two situations occur during the review period where a negative burned dollar value was reported in the FAC.

The first situation occurred in November 2020, March 2021, and December 2021 when the Company reported negative gas burned. Each month an estimate of the current gas expense and a true-up of the prior month's estimate is recorded to the gas consumed expense. The true-up of the prior month's estimate is recorded by reversing the prior month estimate and recording the prior month actual gas expense; therefore, the true-up can be a positive or negative expense. If the prior month estimate reversal is greater than the sum of the prior month actual expense plus the new current month estimate, then the net gas consumed/burned is a negative dollar amount.

The second situation occurred in October 2021 when the Company reported a negative coal burned. This occurred because the East Bend annual coal pile survey adjustment was recorded at the same time East Bend was in a planned outage for the entire month of October 2021. This annual coal pile survey adjustment increased the coal

inventory and decreased the coal expense. The annual coal adjustment can either increase or decrease coal inventory with the opposite impact to coal expense. Since there was no generation for the entire month, no coal was consumed in the normal course of business. The coal pile survey adjustment was the only consumption recorded to the general ledger for the month, which caused the coal expense to be a negative dollar amount.

Please see STAFF-DR-03-002 Attachment for the calculations supporting the negative consumption dollar amounts for each month.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Libbie S. Miller

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**STAFF-DR-03-002**

**REQUEST:**

During the period under review, for each instance in which Duke Kentucky reported a negative dollar value for a Coal burned, Oil burned, or Gas burned in its FAC Form A rate sheet filing, explain why the value was reported as such for that respective expense month.

**RESPONSE:**

Please see STAFF-DR-03-001 for a description on why negative consumed amounts were reported in the FAC.

Also, please see STAFF-DR-03-002 Attachment for the calculations supporting the negative consumption dollar amounts for each month.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Libbie S. Miller

Attachment - Negative Fuel Consumption

<u>Woodsdale Natural Gas Activity</u>	<u>November 2020</u>	<u>March 2021</u>	<u>December 2021</u>
Current Month Estimate	(+) \$ -	\$ -	\$ 54,600.00
Prior Month Estimate Reversal	(+) \$ (342,000.00)	\$ (298,300.00)	\$ (564,600.00)
Prior Month Actual	(+) \$ 341,043.55	\$ 277,300.00	\$ 497,258.60
Total Consumption Booked to the General Ledger	<u>\$ (956.45)</u>	<u>\$ (21,000.00)</u>	<u>\$ (12,741.40)</u>

<u>East Bend Coal Activity</u>	<u>October 2021</u>
Coal Burned	(+) \$ - (a)
Total Annual Coal Pile Survey Adjustment - FAC Fuel Cost Schedule - Section A	(+) \$ (326,122.67) (b)
Less: Non-Native Portion of Annual Coal Pile Survey Adjustment - FAC Fuel Cost Schedule - Section C	(-) \$ (30,407.30) (c)
Total Native Portion of Annual Coal Pile Survey Adjustment to DEK Customers	<u>\$ (295,715.37)</u>

Notes:

- (a) East Bend planned maintenance outage from mid-September through the latter half of December
- (b) Total East Bend Coal Pile Adjustment - Inventory increased and consumption decreased
- (c) Non-Native portion removed from the FAC and included in the PSM