## KY Regulated Capital Expenditures



## LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

## Response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information Dated January 16, 2024

Case No. 2023-00398

## Question No. 4

## Responding Witness: Tadd J. Henninger

Q-4. If the Commission were to approve LG\&E's proposed issuance of indebtedness as filed, provide an estimated capital structure with regard to the long-term debt and short-term debt. Include in the response whether LG\&E has any intention of issuing any additional equity in conjunction with the debt issuance.

A-4. LG\&E targets a capital structure of 53\% equity and $47 \%$ debt, which is consistent with maintaining a strong investment grade bond rating. LG\&E's parent company provides equity infusions as needed in order for LG\&E to maintain a balanced capital structure. Please see below for estimated capital structure by year for the period set forth in the Application. Certain requested information is confidential and proprietary and is being provided under seal pursuant to a petition for confidential protection.

|  | Year End Capitalization Structure |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| LG\&E | 2024 |  |  | 2025 |  |  | 2026 |  |  | 2027 |  |  |
| Short Term Debt | \$ | 99,687 | 1.83\% | \$ | 153,051 | 0.63\% | \$ | 351,584 | 3.87\% | \$ | 172,327 | 1.23\% |
| Long Term Debt |  | 2,461,979 | 45.09\% |  | 2,659,350 | 46.33\% |  | 2,611,563 | 43.11\% |  | 2,938,703 | 45.77\% |
| Equity |  | 2,898,221 | 53.08\% |  | 3,176,439 | 53.04\% |  | 3,344,204 | 53.02\% |  | 3,509,296 | 53.00\% |
| Total | \$ | 5,459,887 | 100.00\% | \$ | 5,988,840 | 100.00\% | \$ | 6,307,351 | 100.00\% | \$ | 6,620,326 | 100.00\% |

