COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF ITS ELECTRIC RATES AND APPROVAL OF CERTAIN)	CASE NO. 2025-00113
REGULATORY AND ACCOUNTING TREATMENTS)	
In the Matter of:		
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ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF)	
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC)	CASE NO. 2025-00114
COMPANY FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF ITS)	
ELECTRIC AND GAS RATES, AND)	
APPROVAL OF CERTAIN REGULATORY)	
AND ACCOUNTING TREATMENTS	ĺ	

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
DREW T. MCCOMBS
DIRECTOR, REGULATORY ACCOUNTING
ON BEHALF OF
KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY AND
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

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2	Q.	Please state your name, position, and business address.
3	A.	My name is Drew T. McCombs. I am Director of Regulatory Accounting for PPL
4		Services Corporation, which provides services to Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU")
5		and Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") (collectively, the "Companies").
6		My business address is 2701 Eastpoint Parkway, Louisville, Kentucky 40223. A
7		complete statement of my education and work experience is attached to this testimony
8		as Appendix A.
9	Q.	Have you previously testified before this Commission?
10	A.	No, but I have sponsored and helped prepare data responses filed with this Commission
11		in numerous cases.
12	Q.	What is the purpose of your direct testimony?
13	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to discuss certain accounting changes and support and
14		sponsor a number of schedules required by the Commission's regulations, which
15		support the Companies' applications.
16		ACCOUNTING CHANGES
17	Q.	Have the Companies implemented any required changes in accounting practices
18		dictated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC")?
19	A.	Yes, the Companies have implemented the requirements of FERC Order No. 898,
20		requiring changes in the financial presentation of certain operation and maintenance
21		expenses and property, plant, and equipment within the FERC Uniform System of
22		Accounts. These changes in presentation are reflected within the filing requirements,
23		effective January 1, 2025, as dictated by FERC Order No. 898. As a result, certain
24		charges may be presented differently within the base period and forecasted test year.

INTRODUCTION

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SCHEDULES REQUIRED BY 807 KAR 5:001 SECTION 16(7)

- 2 Q. Are you sponsoring certain information required by 807 KAR 5:001 Section
- 3 16(7)?

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- 4 A. Yes, I am sponsoring the following information for the corresponding filing
- 5 requirements:

Section 16(7)(i)	Most recent Federal Energy Regulatory Commission	Tab 39
	(FERC) or Federal Communications Commission	
	(FCC) audit reports	
Section 16(7)(k)	Most recent FERC Form 1 (electric), FERC Form 2	Tab 41
	(gas), or PSC Form T (telephone)	
Section 16(7)(1)	Annual report to shareholders and statistical	Tab 42
	supplements	
Section 16(7)(m)	Current chart of accounts	Tab 43
Section 16(7)(p)	Security and Exchange Commission annual reports	Tab 46
	(Form 10-Ks), Form 8-Ks, and Form 10-Qs	
Section 16(7)(q)	Independent auditor's annual opinion report, with any	Tab 47
	written communication from the auditor which	
	indicates the existence of a material weakness in	
	internal controls	
Section 16(7)(r)	Quarterly reports to stockholders for most recent five	Tab 48
	quarters	
Section 16(7)(u)	Information related to any amounts charged, allocated,	Tab 51
	or paid to utility by an affiliate or general or home	
	office	

SCHEDULES REQUIRED BY 807 KAR 5:001 SECTION 16(8)

- 7 Q. Are you sponsoring certain information required by the Commission's regulation
- 8 **807 KAR 5:001 Section 16(8)?**
- 9 A. Yes, I am co-sponsoring the following information with Heather D. Metts for the corresponding filing requirements:

Section 16(8)(f)	Summary schedules for base and forecasted periods of organizational membership dues; initiation fees; expenditures for country club; charitable contributions; marketing, sales, and advertising; professional services; civic and political activities; employee parties and outings; employee gifts; and rate cases	Tab 59
Section 16(8)(g)	Analyses of payroll costs including schedules for wages and salaries, employee benefits, payroll taxes, straight time and overtime hours, and executive compensation by title	Tab 60
Section 16(8)(i)	Comparative income statements (exclusive of dividends per share or earnings per share) and revenue/sales statistics for the five (5) most recent calendar years from the application filing date, base/forecasted period, plus two (2) calendar years beyond forecast period	Tab 62
Section 16(8)(k)	Comparative financial data and earnings measures for the 10 most recent calendar years, base period, and forecast period	Tab 64

CONCLUSION

- 2 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
- 3 A. Yes, it does.

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VERIFICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY)
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON)

The undersigned, **Drew T. McCombs**, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Director - Regulatory Accounting for PPL Services Corporation and he provides services to Kentucky Utilities Company and Louisville Gas and Electric Company, that he has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the foregoing testimony, and that the answers contained therein are true and correct to the best of his information, knowledge, and belief.

Drew T. McCombs

Notary Public

Notary Public ID No. KYNP63286

My Commission Expires:

Jamary 22, 2027

APPENDIX A

Drew T. McCombs

Director, Regulatory Accounting PPL Services Corporation 2701 Eastpoint Parkway Louisville, Kentucky 40223

Education

University of Kentucky	
Bachelor of Science – Accounting	2011
Bachelor of Business Administration – Finance	2011
Graduated Summa Cum Laude	
Certified Public Accountant	2012

Professional Experience

PPL, Director, Regulatory Accounting	2024 - present
LG&E and KU, Director, Utility Accounting	2022 - 2024
LG&E and KU, Manager, Financial Reporting	2016 - 2022
Ernst & Young LLP, Assurance Staff/Senior	2011 - 2016

Professional Memberships

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Edison Electric Institute

- Accounting Standards Committee Member
- FERC Accounting Liaison Committee Member