#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY	)
POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF (1) A	)
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND	)
NECESSITY TO MAKE THE CAPITAL	)
INVESTMENTS NECESSARY TO CONTINUE	)
TAKING CAPACITY AND ENERGY FROM THE	)
MITCHELL GENERATING STATION AFTER	) Case No. 2025-00175
DECEMBER 31, 2028, (2) AN AMENDED	)
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE PLAN, (3)</b>	)
REVISED ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE	)
TARIFF SHEETS, AND (4) ALL OTHER	)
REQUIRED APPROVALS AND RELIEF	)

## SIERRA CLUB'S PUBLIC POST HEARING REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY

Sierra Club hereby submits this Post Hearing Request for Information to Kentucky Power Company ("the Company"). Please provide responses to these data requests below to the undersigned counsel.

## **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

# 1) Definitions: For the purposes of these data requests, the following definitions shall apply:

- a) The terms "Kentucky Power Company," "Kentucky Power," or "the Company" means and include any and all affiliates and/or subsidiaries, successors, predecessors, agents, consultants, and witnesses in this proceeding, and any and all of their affiliates, subsidiaries, or predecessors.
- b) The term "Company" means Kentucky Power Company and any and all affiliates and/or subsidiaries, successors, predecessors, agents, consultants, and witnesses in this proceeding, and any and all of their affiliates, subsidiaries, or predecessors.

- "Document" means all written, recorded or graphic matters, however produced or c) reproduced, pertaining in any manner to the subject of this proceeding, whether or not now in existence, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all originals, copies and drafts of all writings, correspondence, telegrams, notes or sound recordings of any type of personal or telephone communication, or of meetings or conferences, minutes of directors or committee meetings, memoranda, inter-office communications, studies, analyses, reports, results of investigations, reviews, contracts, agreements, working papers, statistical records, ledgers, books of account, vouchers, bank checks, x-ray prints, photographs, films, videotapes, invoices, receipts, computer printouts or other products of computers, computer files, stenographer's notebooks, desk calendars, appointment books, diaries, or other papers or objects similar to any of the foregoing, however denominated. If a document has been prepared in several copies, or additional copies have been made, and the copies are not identical (or which, by reasons of subsequent modification of a copy by the addition of notations, or other modifications, are no longer identical) each non-identical copy is a separate "document."
- d) "And" or "or" shall be construed conjunctively or disjunctively as necessary to make the requests inclusive rather than exclusive.
- e) The terms "you" and "your" refer to "Kentucky Power Company."
- f) The term "person" means any natural person, corporation, corporate division, partnership, limited liability company, other unincorporated association, trust, government agency, or entity.
- g) The term "regarding" means consisting of, containing, mentioning, suggesting, reflecting, concerning, regarding, summarizing, analyzing, discussing, involving, dealing with, emanating from, directed at, pertaining to in any way, or in any way logically or factually connected or associated with the matter discussed.
- h) The singular as used herein shall include the plural and the masculine gender shall include the feminine and the neuter.
- i) "Identify" or "identifying" or "identification" when used in reference to a person that is a natural person means to state: the full name of the person and any names under which he conducts business; the current employer of the person, the person's job title and classification, the present or last known work address of the person; and, the present or last known telephone number of the person.
- j) "Identify" or "identifying" or "identification" when used in reference to a person other than a natural person means to state: the full name of the person and any names under which it conducts business; the present or last known address of the person; and, the present or last known telephone number of the person.
- k) "Identify" or "identifying" or "identification" when used in reference to a document means to provide with respect to each document requested to be

identified by these discovery requests a description of the document that is sufficient for purposes of a request to produce or a subpoena duces tecum, including the following:

- (a) the type of document (e.g., letter, memorandum, etc.);
- (b) the date of the document;
- (c) the title or label of the document;
- (d) the Bates stamp number or other identifier used to number the document for use in litigation;
- (e) the identity of the originator;
- (f) the identity of each person to whom it was sent;
- (g) the identity of each person to whom a copy or copies were sent;
- (h) a summary of the contents of the document;
- (i) the name and last known address of each person who presently has possession, custody or control of the document; and,
- (j) if any such document was, but is no longer, in your possession, custody or control or is no longer in existence, state whether it: (1) is missing or lost; (2) has been destroyed; or (3) has been transferred voluntarily or involuntarily, and if so, state the circumstances surrounding the authorization for each such disposition and the date of such disposition.
- 1) "Identify" or "identifying" or "identification" when used in reference to communications means to state the date of the communication, whether the communication was written or oral, the identity of all parties and witnesses to the communication, the substance of what was said and/or transpired and, if written, identify the document(s) containing or referring to the communication.
- m) "Current" when used in reference to time means in the present time of this data request.
- n) "Customer" means a person or company (residential, commercial, or industrial) who buys retail electricity on a regular and ongoing basis from Kentucky Power Company.
- o) "Workpapers" are defined as original, electronic, machine-readable, unlocked, Excel format (where possible) with formulas in-tact.

## **OTHER INSTRUCTIONS**

- a) Responses are to be provided in electronic format (e.g., text documents should be in the original word processor file format or PDF, data files should be in Excel).
- b) If you contend that any response to any data request may be withheld under the attorney-client privilege, the attorney work product doctrine or any other privilege 4 or basis, please state the following with respect to each such response in order to explain the basis for the claim of privilege and to permit adjudication of the propriety of that claim: 1) The privilege asserted and its basis; 2) The nature of

- the information withheld; and, 3) The subject matter of the document, except to the extent that you claim it is privileged.
- c) For any document or set of documents Kentucky Power Company objects to providing to Sierra Club on the grounds it is burdensome or voluminous, please identify the specific document (see instruction (k) above).
- d) These data requests are to be answered with reference to all information in your possession, custody or control or reasonably available to you. These data requests are intended to include requests for information, which is physically within your possession, custody or control as well as in the possession, custody or control of your agents, attorneys, or other third parties from which such documents may be obtained.
- e) If any data request cannot be responded to or answered in full, answer to the extent possible and specify the reasons for your inability to answer fully.
- f) These data requests are continuing in nature and require supplemental responses should information unknown to you at the time you serve your responses to these data requests subsequently become known.
- g) For each response, identify all persons (see instruction (j)) that were involved in the preparation of the answers to the interrogatories below and/or are responsible for compiling and providing the information contained in each answer.
- h) Identify which witness(es) at the hearing is competent to adopt and/or discuss the response.
- i) Please produce the requested documents in electronic format to the following individuals:

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- j) Wherever the response to an interrogatory or request consists of a statement that the requested information is already available to the Sierra Club, provide a detailed citation to the document that contains the information. This citation shall include the title of the document, relevant page number(s), and to the extent possible paragraph number(s) and/or chart/table/figure number(s).
- k) In the event that any document referred to in response to any request for information has been destroyed, specify the date and the manner of such destruction, the reason for such destruction, the person authorizing the destruction and the custodian of the document at the time of its destruction.

l) Sierra Club reserves the right to serve supplemental, revised, or additional discovery requests as permitted in this proceeding.

## **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

- 3.1 Provide the contract or agreement controlling Kentucky Power's ability to relinquish its ownership interest in the Mitchell Plant, and identify the specific term, if any, addressing Kentucky Power's ability to terminate its ownership interest.
  - a. For any such term, state whether Kentucky Power will ensure similar language will be included in any future agreement with Wheeling should the CPCN in this docket be approved.
- 3.2 Company Witness Alex Vaughan testified at the November 18, 2025 hearing that Kentucky Power and Wheeling discussed the potential to enter into a short term power purchase agreement that would allow Kentucky Power to obtain power from the Mitchell plant for the period 2029-2031. For any such discussions, provide:
  - a. The date(s) of the discussion(s);
  - b. Any notes, meeting minutes, or other documentation that such discussion actually took place;
  - c. Citation to any place in the record in this docket indicating that such a discussion actually took place and that such an alternative was actually considered.
- Provide the notes, meeting minutes, and all other documents memorializing decisions made at the November 6, 2025 meeting where Kentucky Power and Wheeling decided to
- 3.4 Regarding the Mitchell power plant's compliance with the 2024 Effluent Limitation Guidelines:
  - a. Provide the Company's capital cost estimate to install a zero liquid discharge pollution treatment system for flue gas desulfurization discharges from the Mitchell plant.
  - b. Provide the Company's annual O&M cost estimate to install and operate a zero liquid discharge pollution treatment system for flue gas desulfurization discharges from the Mitchell plant.

- c. Provide the Company's capital cost estimate to install a zero liquid discharge pollution treatment system for bottom ash discharges from the Mitchell plant.
- d. Provide the Company's annual O&M cost estimate to operate a zero liquid discharge pollution treatment system for bottom ash discharges from the Mitchell plant.
- e. Provide the Company's capital cost estimate to install a zero liquid discharge pollution treatment system for leachate discharges from the Mitchell plant.
- f. Provide the Company's annual O&M cost estimate to install a zero liquid discharge pollution treatment system for leachate discharges from the Mitchell plant.
- g. If the Mitchell power plant is converted by 2034 to burn only gas, could the costs in questions 3.4.a. through 3.4.f. be avoided? If not, please explain with specificity why not, and identify the costs to comply with the 2024 rule.
- 3.5 At the November 18, 2025 hearing, Mr. Vaughan testified that the Company included the cost of installing a zero liquid discharge system to comply with the 2024 Effluent Limitation Guidelines in a scenario where the Mitchell plant converts to operate 100% on gas, but declined to explain why that was done. Provide the Company's explanation for why it would need to install a zero liquid discharge system under the 2024 Effluent Limitation Guidelines were the Mitchell plant to convert to operate 100% on gas.

Dated: November 21, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that the foregoing copy of Sierra Club's Post Hearing Request for Information to Kentucky Power Company in this action is being electronically transmitted to the Commission on November 21, 2025, and that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding.

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