

**BEFORE THE
KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In the Matter of:

**ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY)
UTILITIES COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AUTHORIZING KU TO) CASE NO. 2026-00049
BID ON A FRANCHISE ESTABLISHED BY THE CITY)
OF OWINGSVILLE, KENTUCKY)**

The Applicant, Kentucky Utilities Company (“KU”), respectfully states as follows:

1. The full name and mailing address of KU is Kentucky Utilities Company, c/o Louisville and Gas Electric Company, 2701 Eastpoint Parkway, Louisville, Kentucky 40223. KU may be reached by electronic mail at the electronic mail addresses of its counsel set forth below.

2. KU is a utility engaged in the electric business. KU generates and purchases electricity, and distributes and sells electricity at retail in the following counties in Central, Northern, Southeastern, and Western Kentucky:

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Anderson	Estill	Knox Larue	Oldham
Ballard	Eubank	Laurel	Owen
Barren	Fayette	Lee Lincoln	Pendleton
Bath	Fleming	Livingston	Pulaski
Bell	Franklin	Lyon	Robertson
Bourbon	Fulton	Madison	Rockcastle
Boyle	Gallatin	Marion	Rowan
Bracken	Garrard	Mason	Russell
Bullitt	Grant	McCracken	Scott
Caldwell	Grayson	McCreary	Shelby
Campbell	Green	McLean	Spencer
Carlisle	Hardin	Mercer	Taylor
Carroll	Harlan	Montgomer	Trimble
Casey	Harrison	y	Union
Christian	Hart	Muhlenberg	Washington
Clark	Henderson	Nelson	Webster
Clay	Henry	Nicholas	Whitley
Crittenden	Hickman		Woodford

Daviess

Hopkins

3. This filing is made in accordance with Section 278.020(4) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

4. KU is incorporated in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the Commonwealth of Virginia, and attests it is in good corporate standing in both states. KU was incorporated in Kentucky on August 17, 1912, and in Virginia on November 26, 1991.

5. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001 Section 8, on February 20, 2026 KU filed with the Commission notice of its intent to use electronic filing procedures in this proceeding. Copies of all orders, pleadings, and other communications related to this proceeding should be directed to:

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6. Receipt of the requested certificate will allow KU to pursue its bid on a new franchise for which the City of Owingsville, Kentucky (the “City”) has solicited bids pursuant to resolution or ordinance and advertisement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

7. There is and will continue to be a demand and need for electric service in the areas of the City subject to the franchise, and KU desires to obtain a franchise in accordance with the bidding protocol established by the City.

8. Should KU be successful in acquiring said franchise, it will file copies thereof with the Commission.

WHEREFORE, Kentucky Utilities Company asks that the Commission enter an Order granting to KU a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to bid for and acquire a franchise from the City on or before March 9, 2026.

Dated at Louisville, Kentucky, this 20 day of February 2026.



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EXHIBIT A

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CITY OF OWINGSVILLE**

ORDINANCE NO. 6-2025

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A FRANCHISE FOR THE ERECTION, LAYING AND MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRIC FACILITIES AND APPURTENANT FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT IN, ALONG AND ACROSS THE PUBLIC WAYS, ROADS, STREETS, ALLEYS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF OWINGSVILLE, KENTUCKY: FOR FURNISHING AND SELLING ELECTRICITY BY MEANS OF SAID FACILITIES; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF SAID FRANCHISE.

WHEREAS, the City of Owingsville (“City”) wishes to ensure that electric service continues to be furnished to its citizens in a reliable and efficient manner;

WHEREAS, the City is aware that the provision of such service requires the continued use of public streets, ways, alleys and other public places;

WHEREAS, the franchise granted to and acquired by Kentucky Utilities Company on July 14, 2016, under which that utility provided such service, will expire by its terms; July 14, 2026.

WHEREAS, the City wishes to provide for the sale of a new franchise for the benefit of its citizenry, giving effect to Section 96.010 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED as follows:

Section 1. An exclusive franchise (“Franchise”) to use the City’s public rights-of-way, as described in the Franchise Agreement attached to this Ordinance, is hereby created.

Section 2. The Franchise created by this Ordinance shall be bid in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and Chapter 424 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as well as any applicable City ordinances.

Section 3. The Franchise created by this Ordinance shall be awarded to the highest and best bidder as shall be determined by the City in its sole discretion. In awarding the Franchise, the City shall consider the technical, managerial, and financial qualifications of the bidder to perform its obligations under the Franchise.

Section 4. The winning bidder and the City shall negotiate, execute and be bound by a Franchise Agreement with terms identical to, or substantially identical to, the Franchise Agreement referenced in Section 1 above and attached hereto, such Agreement to contain terms “that are fair and reasonable to the City, to the purchaser of the Franchise and to the patrons of the utility” (KRS Section 96.010). Such Franchise Agreement shall become effective with the first billing cycle on or after the expiration of the existing franchise agreement, to allow the City and the winning bidder to develop appropriate procedures for identifying and reviewing the electric-consuming entities within the City’s corporate limits.

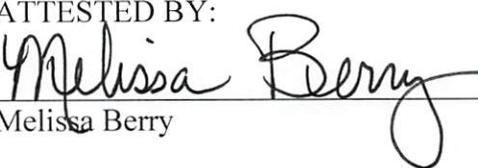
Section 5. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 6. Should any section, clause, line, paragraph, or part of this Ordinance or the attached Agreement be held unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the same shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance or the attached Agreement, as applicable.

Section 7. Time is of the essence in carrying out the terms and the provisions of this Ordinance and the Franchise created herein.

Section 8. This Ordinance shall become effective from and after its passage and publication. Read at a meeting of the Owingsville City Council on the **8th** day of **December, 2025**; a second reading was held on the **12th** day of **January, 2026**; said Ordinance was READ and APPROVED on the **12th** day of **January, 2026**.


_____, Mayor
Gary M. Hunt

ATTESTED BY:

_____, City Clerk
Melissa Berry

OBITUARIES

CHARLENE BOYD CLEMONS



Charlene leaves to cherish her memory and is survived by her loving husband, Robert Louis Clemons of Sharpsburg, KY; one sister, Betty Ann Boyd of Owingsville, KY; her daughter, Tracye (Johnny) Botts of Owingsville, KY; her son, Gregory (Martina) Clemons of Louisville, KY; her grandchildren, Adam Clemons (whom she raised from 3 months old), Breana (Charles) Oliver, of Paris, KY; Blandon (Greta) Clemons of Washington, Iowa; LaToya (Matthew) Warner of Lexington, KY; Justis Jarman of Los Angeles, California; Jordan and Jadon Clemons of Louisville, KY; Mastor Botts of Mt. Sterling, KY; her great grandchildren, Camden and Catori Clemons of Sharpsburg, KY (whom she was raising), Aubre Oliver of Paris, KY; Quinn Clemons of Washington, Iowa; Kameron Warner of Lexington, KY and Ava Clemons of Louisville, KY; one brother in law, Howard (Darmitta) Clemons; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

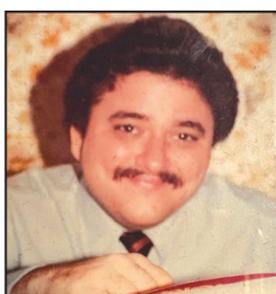
Charlene Boyd Clemons, 78, of Sharpsburg, Kentucky, daughter of Willie Lee and Leonard Taul Boyd (Momma Leonard) passed away on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at Kings Daughter Hospital in Ashland, Kentucky.

Charlene was a life-long resident of Sharpsburg, Kentucky, marrying and raising her family there. She married her husband, Robert Louis at the age of 18, and this August would have been their 60th wedding anniversary. She was a devoted wife.

She went to work not long after marriage at Bluegrass Industries, which was later known as Jockey until it closed down. Then she went back to school taking classes in clerical and secretarial work. She ended her work history at the Unemployment office in Mt. Sterling, KY. Whatever she did she gave it her all.

Charlene loved God and family with all of her being. She got baptized at an early age at Greater First Baptist Church working in Pastor's Aide Society, Missionary Society, and singing in several of the choirs. Whatever she was asked to do she would do it. She loved to sing and give praises to God. Charlene was always there for her family, whether it was her children, grandchildren, or great grandchildren helping to raise them along with her husband. She loved them endlessly. Whatever they needed she would try to provide for them.

KERRY LAYNE CONLEE



Kerry Layne Conlee, age 66, of Owingsville passed away Thursday, February 12 in Lexington, KY. Kerry was born May 28, 1959 to

Howard and Betty Conlee. He was a minister of 40 years and social worker for 20 years. He was a loving father and will be missed dearly. Kerry is survived by one son, Jordan Conlee of Bardstown, KY. Along with his parents, Kerry is preceded in death by 1 brother, Howard "Ducie" Conlee. Kerry wished to be cremated with no services. He will be buried in Owingsville Cemetery at a later date.

LANA STIDDOM



Lana Stiddom, 77, of Owingsville, Kentucky passed away on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at the UK St. Claire Hospital in Morehead, Kentucky. She was born in Bath County on June 11, 1948, to the late Alleen Purvis Crouch. A dedicated and compassionate individual, Lana worked over 20 years at Ridgeway Nursing Home.

Lana had a variety of interests that brought her joy in life. She was passionate about making floral arrangements, watching the birds outside her porch. Cooking was another cherished activity for her, as she loved to share meals with her family, creating warm memories together.

In addition to her mother, she was preceded in death by her husband, James "Albert" Stiddom, her son, Jeffery Purvis, her brother, Farley Jackson Purvis.

Lana is survived by her daughter, Rhonda Stiddom

Willis, and her husband Earl, as well as her granddaughter, Alaina Spence, and her husband Travis. She was also a proud great-grandmother to Letty Alleen Spence, all of whom reside in Owingsville. In addition to her immediate family, friends and her beloved dog companions, Mugsy and Cooper.

A visitation was held on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Michael R Gray Funeral Home located at 89 Slate Ave, Owingsville, KY.

Funeral services followed on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, beginning at 11:00 AM, also at the Michael R Gray Funeral Home with Dr. Jamie "Moose" Stump officiating.

The burial took place at Hedricks Cemetery, Salt Lick, KY.

Pallbearers were Earl Willis, Travis Spence, Farley Jason Purvis, Ryan Purvis, James Stiddom and Ivan Hedges.

Manuel Goodpaster served as an honorary pallbearer.

The Michael R. Gray Funeral Home at 89 Slate Avenue in Owingsville cared for all the arrangements for Lana Stiddom.

To view the online memorial and sign the guest book, please visit www.mrgfh.com.



BCHS Freshman State Wrestling Tournament Bound

Courtesy of Bath County High School

Congratulations to Freshman Wrestler, Evalee Brewer, on her recent outstanding 2nd place finish at the KHSAA Region 4 Wrestling Tournament

With her strong performance, Evalee has officially secured her spot in the KHSAA State Wrestling Tournament!

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NOTICE OF SALE OF FRANCHISE

By virtue of an ordinance heretofore passed by the City Council of Owingsville, Kentucky, directing the advertisement for bids and selling of a franchise to use certain streets, alleys, and public grounds of the City of Owingsville, Kentucky for the purpose of owning, operating, equipping and maintain a system for the transmission and distribution of electric energy. The City Clerk of Owingsville will on March 9th, at or about 6:30 pm, sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the City Hall of Owingsville, a franchise for the purpose set out. Said franchise is more particularly described and fully defined in a proposed ordinance granting and creating the same and said proposed ordinance defines the terms and condition upon which said sale shall be made, the full text of which is available for inspection in the office of the Owingsville City Clerk, 19 Goodpaster Avenue, Owingsville, Kentucky. The ordinance by title and summary is as follows: ORDINANCE #6-2025. AN ORDINANCE CREATING A FRANCHISE FOR THE ERECTION, LAYING AND MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRIC FACILITIES AND APPURTENANT FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT IN, ALONG, AND ACROSS THE PUBLIC WAYS, ROADS, STREETS, ALLEYS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF OWINGSVILLE, KENTUCKY; FOR FURNISHING AND SELLING ELECTRICITY BY MEANS OF SAID FACILITIES; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF SAID FRANCHISE.

Melissa Berry, Owingsville City Clerk
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NATURAL GAS FRANCHISE

The City of Owingsville is soliciting bids from parties interested in obtaining franchises to operate natural gas systems within the confines of the City of Owingsville, Kentucky, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2-2026. Franchise(s) awarded pursuant to this request for bids will be non-exclusive and will be for a term of ten (10) years. Bids must meet all of the requirements of Ordinance No. 2-2026, which is available in the office of the City Clerk, Owingsville City Hall, 19 Goodpaster Avenue, Owingsville, KY 40360. Sealed bids must be received no later than 6:30 p.m., local time, March 9, 2026, at which time the bids will be opened publicly in Owingsville City Hall, 19 Goodpaster Avenue, Owingsville, KY 40360. Sealed bid proposals should be sent to City Clerk, City Hall, P.O. Box 639, Owingsville, KY 40360.

The City of Owingsville reserves the right to accept any bid, to reject any and all bids, to waive any irregularities or informalities in awarding the franchise, and to accept what, in its opinion, is the lowest responsive, responsible and best bid which is the best interest of, and most advantageous to the City.

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