

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF DUKE ENERGY	)	
KENTUCKY, INC., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC	)	CASE NO.
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AUTHORIZING	)	2026-00112
THE CONSTRUCTION OF A GAS PIPELINE	)	
EXTENSION IN INDEPENDENCE, KENTUCKY	)	

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

MEGAN J. RILEY

ON BEHALF OF

DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC.

July 15, 2026

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I. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

1 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

2 A. My name is Megan J. Riley and my business address is 139 East 4th Street,
3 Cincinnati, OH 45202.

4 **Q. BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?**

5 A. I am employed by Duke Energy Business Services LLC (DEBS) as General
6 Manager - Engineering, Planning, & Pipeline Integrity on behalf of Duke Energy
7 Corporation's (Duke Energy) Natural Gas Business Unit (NGBU). The NGBU
8 organization is responsible for the safe operation of all natural gas assets owned
9 and operated by Duke Energy and affiliated companies of Duke Energy, including
10 Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (Duke Energy Kentucky or Company). Further,
11 DEBS provides various administrative and other services to Duke Energy
12 Kentucky and other affiliated companies of Duke Energy.

13 **Q. PLEASE BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**
14 **AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE.**

15 A. I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from The University
16 of Cincinnati in June 2011. I later earned a Master of Business Administration
17 from Xavier University in December 2014. I am a registered Professional
18 Engineer in the State of Ohio. I began my career at Duke Energy in 2009 as a
19 Pipeline Engineer, where I supported the development and implementation of a
20 major accelerated service replacement program and led engineering design and
21 construction coordination efforts. From late 2013 through mid-2015, I served as a
22 Business Unit Manager for Gas Operations on a corporate information technology

1 (IT) Merger integration project. From late 2015 to mid-2021 I served in various
2 manager roles where I led new construction and maintenance organizations. From
3 mid-2021 to mid-2026 I worked as the Director of Distribution Engineering &
4 Technical Support. In mid-2026, I assumed my current role as General Manager –
5 Engineering, Planning & Pipeline Integrity.

6 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS GENERAL**
7 **MANAGER – ENGINEERING, PLANNING, & PIPELINE INTEGRITY.**

8 A. I am responsible for leading the design, engineering, technical support, system
9 planning, transmission integrity management, distribution integrity management,
10 and corrosion control teams that work to facilitate safe, reliable, and efficient
11 natural gas delivery, investment prioritization, and compliance with all state and
12 federal natural gas regulations for the NGBU within Duke Energy.

13 **Q. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED BEFORE THE KENTUCKY**
14 **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION?**

15 A. No.

16 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS**
17 **PROCEEDING?**

18 A. The purpose of my testimony is to adopt the testimony of Duke Energy
19 Kentucky's witness Melton A. Huey supporting the Company's application that
20 was filed in May 2026 in this proceeding. Mr. Huey no longer works for the
21 Company. I have read Mr. Huey's testimony and I agree with it.

1 **Q. DO YOU HEREBY ADOPT MR. HUEY’S TESTIMONY FOR PURPOSES**
2 **OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?**

3 **A. Yes.**

II. CONCLUSION

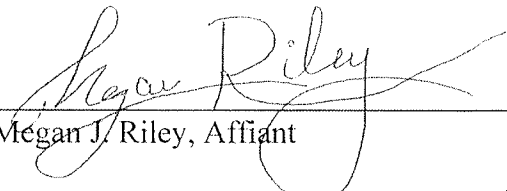
4 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR PRE-FILED DIRECT TESTIMONY?**

5 **A. Yes.**

VERIFICATION

STATE OF OHIO)
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

The undersigned, Megan J. Riley, GM Engineering, Planning & Pipeline Integrity, being duly sworn, deposes and says that she has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the foregoing testimony, and that the information contained therein is true and correct to the best of her knowledge, information, and belief.



Megan J. Riley, Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Megan J. Riley on this 15th day of July, 2026.



NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: July 8, 2027



EMILIE SUNDERMAN
Notary Public
State of Ohio
My Comm. Expires
July 8, 2027