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May 5, 2026

Ms. Linda Bridwell  
Executive Director  
Kentucky Public Service Commission  
211 Sower Boulevard  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

**Re: Case No. 2026-00112**

In the Matter of the Electronic Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing the Construction of a Gas Pipeline Extension in Independence, Kentucky

Dear Ms. Bridwell:

Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (Duke Energy Kentucky or the Company) is in receipt of the Commission Staff's deficiency letter dated May 5, 2026. In response, the Company hereby submits electronically, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, its Response to the May 5, 2026, Deficiency Notice, along with a Confidential Corrected Exhibit 4. Confidential Corrected Exhibit 4 is filed under seal, for the reasons given in the Petition for Confidential Treatment filed on May 1, 2026 for the originally filed Confidential Exhibit 4.

I certify that the electronically filed documents are true and accurate copies of the original documents and that there are currently no parties in this proceeding that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means. Pursuant to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085, no paper copies of this filing will be made.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: As stated