

**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 ) CASE NO. 2026-00119  
TO BID ON A FRANCHISE ESTABLISHED BY THE CITY )  
OF NORTONVILLE, KENTUCKY )**

**APPLICATION**

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

1. The full name and mailing address of KU is Kentucky Utilities Company, One Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40507. 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:

Adair	Edmonson	Jessamine	Ohio
Anderson	Estill	Knox	Oldham
Ballard	Eubank	Larue	Owen
Barren	Fayette	Laurel	Pendleton
Bath	Fleming	Lee	Pulaski
Bell	Franklin	Lincoln	Robertson
Bourbon	Fulton	Livingston	Rockcastle
Boyle	Gallatin	Lyon	Rowan
Bracken	Garrard	Madison	Russell
Bullitt	Grant	Marion	Scott
Caldwell	Grayson	Mason	Shelby
Campbell	Green	McCracken	Spencer
Carlisle	Hardin	McCreary	Taylor

Carroll	Harlan	McLean	Trimble
Casey	Harrison	Mercer	Union
Christian	Hart	Montgomery	Washington
Clark	Henderson	Muhlenberg	Webster
Clay	Henry	Nelson	Whitley
Crittenden	Hickman	Nicholas	Woodford
Daviess	Hopkins		

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

4. KU was incorporated in Kentucky on August 17, 1912, and in Virginia on November 26, 1991 (and effective as of December 1, 1991) and is in good corporate standing in both states.

5. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001 Section 8, on May 6, 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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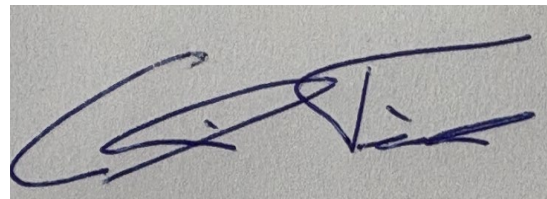
6. Receipt of the requested certificate will allow KU to pursue its bid on a new franchise for which the City of Nortonville, Kentucky (the “City”) has solicited bids pursuant to resolution or ordinance and advertisement, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

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 May 21, 2026.

Dated at Louisville, Kentucky, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C. Tieke', is shown on a light-colored background.

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## **Exhibit A**

**CITY OF NORTONVILLE, KENTUCKY  
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-002**

**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, STREET, ALLEYS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF NORTONVILLE, KENTUCKY; FOR FURNISHING AND SELLING ELECTRICITY BY MEANS OF SAID FACILITIES; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF SAID FRANCHISE.**

WHEREAS, the City of Nortonville (“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 continued use of public streets, ways, alleys, and other public places,

WHEREAS, the franchise currently granted to and acquired by Kentucky Utilities Company on July 1, 2016, under which that utility provided such service, will expire by its terms on July 1, 2026, and

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. A non-exclusive franchise (the “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 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 Franchise Agreement be help unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the same shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance or the Franchise Agreement, as applicable.

Section 7. Time 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.

**COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION**

The foregoing Ordinance was read and presented at the Regular Scheduled Meeting of the City Council of Nortonville, Kentucky, for the first reading on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026, and a second reading on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026. Upon second reading, motion was made by Council Member J. Harrison and seconded by Council Member J. Braden that the Ordinance be adopted as the law of the City of Nortonville, Kentucky, to be effective immediately upon publication, as required by law.

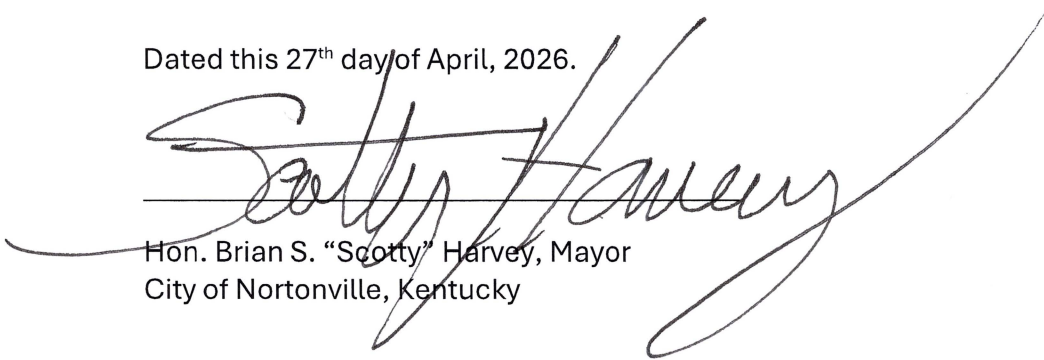
Upon vote being taken thereon, the votes were cast as follows:

<b>COUNCILMEMBER</b>	<b>YAY</b>	<b>NAY</b>
Paul McPeek	✓	
James Harrison	✓	
James Braden	✓	
Danny Gunn		

Greg Rodgers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Kristal Stanley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

It appearing that 5 Council Member(s) voted for the Motion and 0 Council Member(s) voted against the Motion, the Mayor announced that the Motion to Adopt the Ordinance passed and that the above Ordinance would be published as required by law and would be effective as an Ordinance of the City of Nortonville, Kentucky immediately upon publication thereof.

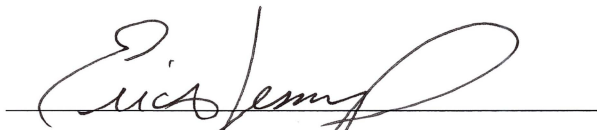
Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.



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Hon. Brian S. "Scotty" Harvey, Mayor  
City of Nortonville, Kentucky

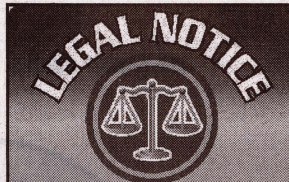
Attest:



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Erica Jessup, City Clerk  
City of Nortonville, Kentucky

n County on Tuesday and  
h Daviess County on Thursday.



**NOTICE OF SALE OF  
FRANCHISE**

By virtue of an ordinance heretofore passed by the City Council of Nortonville, Kentucky, directing the advertisement for bids and selling of a franchise to use certain streets, alleys, and public grounds of the City of Nortonville, Kentucky for the purpose of owning, operating, equipping and maintaining a system for the transmission and distribution of electric energy, the City Clerk of Nortonville is accepting sealed bids for the sale of a franchise for the purpose set out. All bids must be received by the Nortonville City Clerk at 199 South Main Street, Nortonville, Kentucky no later than May 21, 2026, at 4:00 PM, local time.

Said franchise is more particularly described and fully defined in Ordinance 2026-002 granting and creating the same, the full text of which is available for inspection in the office of the Nortonville City Clerk, 199 South Main Street, Nortonville, Kentucky. The ordinance by title and summary is as follows:

**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, STREET, ALLEYS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF NORTONVILLE, KENTUCKY; FOR FURNISHING AND SELLING ELECTRICITY BY MEANS OF SAID FACILITIES; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF SAID FRANCHISE.**