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Attention: Mark R. Overstreet
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Re: Kentucky Power Company
Petition for Confidential Treatment received 8/17/09
PSC Reference – Case No. 2009-00339

Dear Mr. Overstreet:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Treatment you filed on August 17, 2009 on behalf of Kentucky Power Company to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.870. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as information contained in Kentucky Power Company's "IRP Report" and its attachments. The information is more specifically described as Items 1 through 6 containing customer count; projected fuel costs, production costs, and non-fuel O & M; projected capacity factors, availability factors, average heat rates; new generation technologies; generation and transmission detail; and transmission line network (maps).

Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise Kentucky Power Company's competitive position in the industry and result in an unfair commercial advantage to its competitors, as well as a risk to the public if infrastructure info contained in the maps and supporting documents is not held confidential.

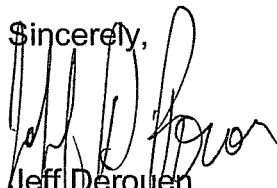
Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information you seek to keep confidential is of a confidential or proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to Kentucky Power Company's competitors, and the information containing infrastructure information would present an unwarranted risk to the public if disclosed. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as

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confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.

If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Kentucky Power Company is required by Section 8(9)(a) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,



Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record