

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION OF THE)
APPLICATION OF THE FUEL)
ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF KENTUCKY) CASE NO. 2009-00507
UTILITIES COMPANY FROM MAY 1,)
2009 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2009)

O R D E R

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:056, Section 1(11), IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") shall appear at the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, on March 23, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, to submit itself to examination on the application of its Fuel Adjustment Clause ("FAC") from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009. Neither opening statements nor summaries of pre-filed testimony will be permitted.

2. KU shall file with the Commission no later than March 23, 2010 proof of publication of its notice for the hearing.

3. a. The information requested in the Appendix to this Order is due within 21 days of the date of this Order. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided, with copies to all parties of record and an original and six copies to the Commission.

b. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or the

person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

c. A party shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect.

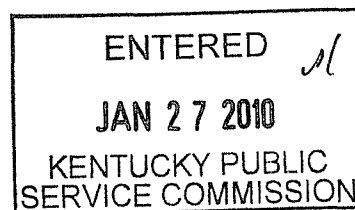
d. For any request to which a party refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

4. Any party who wishes to file testimony in this proceeding or to request information from KU may petition the Commission for a procedural schedule.

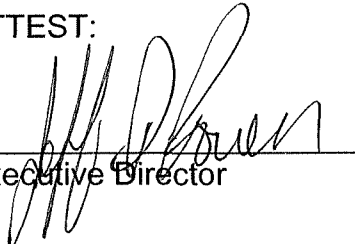
5. All documents that KU filed with the Commission pursuant to 807 KAR 5:056, Section 1(7) and (9), during the period under review are incorporated by reference into the record of this proceeding.

6. The official record of the proceeding shall be by video only, unless otherwise requested by a party to this proceeding.

By the Commission



ATTEST:


Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2009-00507 DATED JAN 27 2010

1. For the period from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009, list each vendor from whom coal was purchased and the quantities and the nature of each purchase (e.g., spot or contract).
2. For the period from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009, list each vendor from whom natural gas was purchased for generation and the quantities and the nature of each purchase (e.g., spot or contract).
3. State whether KU engages in hedging activities for its natural gas purchases used for generation. If yes, describe the hedging activities in detail.
4. For each generating station or unit for which a separate coal pile is maintained, state, for the period from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009, the actual amount of coal burned in tons, the actual amount of coal deliveries in tons, the total kWh generated, and the actual capacity factor at which the plant operated.
5. List all firm power commitments for KU from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009 for (a) purchases and (b) sales. This list shall identify the electric utility, the amount of commitment in MW, and the purpose of the commitment (e.g., peaking, emergency).
6. Provide a monthly billing summary for sales to all electric utilities for the period May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009.
7. List KU's scheduled, actual, and forced outages from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009.

8. List all existing fuel contracts categorized as long-term (i.e., more than one year in length). Provide the following information for each contract:

- a. Supplier's name and address.
- b. Name and location of production facility.
- c. Date contract was executed.
- d. Duration of contract.
- e. Date(s) of each contract revision, modification or amendment.
- f. Annual tonnage requirements.
- g. Actual annual tonnage received since the contract's inception.
- h. Percentage of annual requirements received during the contract's term.
- i. Base price in dollars per ton.
- j. Total amount of price escalations to date in dollars per ton.
- k. Current price paid for coal under the contract in dollars per ton (i + j).

9. a. State whether KU regularly compares the price of its coal purchases with those paid by other electric utilities.

- b. If yes, state:
 - (1) How KU's prices compare with those of other utilities for the review period; and
 - (2) The utilities that are included in this comparison and their locations.

10. State the percentage of KU's coal, as of the date of this Order, that is delivered by:

- a. Rail;
- b. Truck; or
- c. Barge.

11. a. State KU's coal inventory level in tons and in number of days' supply as of October 31, 2009. Provide this information by generating station and in the aggregate.

b. Describe the criteria used to determine number of days' supply.

c. Compare KU's coal inventory as of October 31, 2009, to its inventory target for that date.

d. If actual coal inventory exceeds inventory target by 10 days' supply, state the reasons for excessive inventory.

e. (1) State whether KU expects any significant changes in its current coal inventory target within the next 12 months.

(2) If yes, state the expected change and the reasons for this change.

12. a. State whether KU has audited any of its coal contracts during the period from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009.

b. If yes, for each audited contract:

(1) Identify the contract;

(2) Identify the auditor;

(3) State the results of the audit; and

- (4) Describe the actions that KU took as a result of the audit.
- 13. a. State whether KU has received any customer complaints regarding its FAC during the period from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009.
 - b. If yes, for each complaint, state:
 - (1) The nature of the complaint; and
 - (2) KU's response.
- 14. a. State whether KU is currently involved in any litigation with its current or former coal suppliers.
 - b. If yes, for each litigation:
 - (1) Identify the coal supplier;
 - (2) Identify the coal contract involved;
 - (3) State the potential liability or recovery to KU;
 - (4) List the issues presented; and
 - (5) Provide a copy of the complaint or other legal pleading that initiated the litigation and any answers or counterclaims. If a copy has previously been filed with the Commission, provide the date on which it was filed and the case in which it was filed.
 - c. State the current status of all litigation with coal suppliers.
- 15. a. During the period from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009, have there been any changes to KU's written policies and procedures regarding its fuel procurement?
 - b. If yes:
 - (1) Describe the changes;

- (2) Provide the written policies and procedures as changed;
- (3) State the date(s) the changes were made; and
- (4) Explain why the changes were made.

16. a. State whether KU is aware of any violations of its policies and procedures regarding fuel procurement that occurred prior to or during the period from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009

b. If yes, for each violation:

- (1) Describe the violation;
- (2) Describe the action(s) that KU took upon discovering the violation; and
- (3) Identify the person(s) who committed the violation.

17. Identify and explain the reasons for all changes that occurred during the period from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009 in the organizational structure and personnel of the departments or divisions that are responsible for KU's fuel procurement activities.

18. a. Identify all changes that KU has made during the period under review to its maintenance and operation practices that also affect fuel usage at KU's generation facilities.

b. Describe the impact of these changes on KU's fuel usage.

19. List each written coal supply solicitation issued during the period from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009.

a. For each solicitation, provide the date of the solicitation, the type of solicitation (contract or spot), the quantities solicited, a general description of the quality

of coal solicited, the time period over which deliveries were requested, and the generating unit(s) for which the coal was intended.

b. For each solicitation, state the number of vendors to whom the solicitation was sent, the number of vendors who responded, and the selected vendor. Provide the bid tabulation sheet or corresponding document that ranked the proposals. (This document should identify all vendors who made offers.) State the reasons for each selection.

20. List each oral coal supply solicitation issued during the period from May 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009.

a. For each solicitation, state why the solicitation was not written, the date(s) of the solicitation, the quantities solicited, a general description of the quality of coal solicited, the time period over which deliveries were requested, and the generating unit(s) for which the coal was intended.

b. For each solicitation, identify all vendors solicited and the vendor selected. Provide the tabulation sheet or other document that ranks the proposals. (This document should identify all vendors who made offers.) State the reasons for each selection.

21. a. List all inter-system sales during the period under review in which KU used a third party's transmission system.

b. For each sale listed above:

(1) Describe how KU addressed for FAC reporting purposes the cost of fuel expended to cover any line losses incurred to transmit its power across the third party's transmission system.

(2) State the line loss factor used for each transaction and describe how that line loss factor was determined.

22. Describe each change that KU made during the period under review to its methodology for calculating inter-system sales line losses.

23. KU offers renewable energy to its customers under tariffs SGE – Small Green Energy Rider and LGE – Large Green Energy Rider. State whether the renewable power purchased to provide service under these tariffs is recorded in the FAC. If so, state where in the FAC filing the power purchases are recorded.

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