

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION OF THE)	
RELIABILITY MEASURES OF KENTUCKY'S)	CASE NO.
JURISDICTIONAL ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION)	2011-00450
UTILITIES)	

ORDER

Every year each electric utility files its Reliability Report and Vegetation Management Update in this matter.¹ Duke Kentucky Energy, Inc. (Duke Kentucky) has filed petitions annually,² pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, and KRS 61.878, requesting that the Commission grant confidential treatment for an indefinite period for the physical addresses of its substations and circuits.³

In support of its petitions, Duke Kentucky argued that the information, if openly disclosed, could present security and safety issues by identifying locations of critical utility infrastructure that would unnecessarily expose the public to potential harm if exploited.⁴

¹ Order (Ky. PSC May 30, 2013).

² This Order will address the petition filed each year from 2023 through 2026.

³ Duke Kentucky's Petition for Confidential Treatment (Apr. 2026 Petition) (filed Apr. 28, 2026); Duke Kentucky's Petition for Confidential Treatment (May 2025 Petition) (filed May 1, 2025); Duke Kentucky's Petition for Confidential Treatment (May 2024 Petition) (filed May 1, 2024); Duke Kentucky's Petition for Confidential Treatment (May 2023 Petition) (May 1, 2023). The May 2023 Petition does not reference the correct confidentiality section of KRS 61.878.

⁴ Apr. 2026 Petition at 2; May 2025 Petition at 2-3; May 2024 Petition at 2; May 2023 Petition at 2.

Duke Kentucky claimed that disclosure of this information could result in possible security issues such as including theft, destruction, possible injury, and vandalism.⁵

Having considered the petitions and the material at issue, the Commission finds that disclosure of the physical addresses of utility infrastructure would result in compromising infrastructure security and as such is generally recognized as confidential; it therefore meets the criteria for confidential treatment and should be exempted from public disclosure pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, and KRS 61.878(1)(m).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Duke Kentucky's April 28, 2026 petition for confidential treatment is granted.
2. Duke Kentucky's May 1, 2025 petition for confidential treatment is granted.
3. Duke Kentucky's May 1, 2024 petition for confidential treatment is granted.
4. Duke Kentucky's May 1, 2023 petition for confidential treatment is granted.
5. The designated material granted confidential treatment by this Order shall not be placed in the public record or made available for public inspection for an indefinite period or until further order of this Commission.
6. Use of the designated material granted confidential treatment by this Order in any Commission proceeding shall comply with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(9).
7. If the designated material granted confidential treatment by this Order becomes publicly available or no longer qualifies for confidential treatment, Duke Kentucky shall inform the Commission and file with the Commission an unredacted copy of the designated material.


⁵ Apr. 2026 Petition at 2; May 2025 Petition at 2-3; May 2024 Petition at 2; May 2023 Petition at 2.

8. If a nonparty to this proceeding requests to inspect the material granted confidential treatment by this Order and the period during which the material has been granted confidential treatment has not expired, Duke Kentucky shall have 20 days from receipt of written notice of the request to demonstrate that the material still falls within the exclusions from disclosure requirements established in KRS 61.878. If Duke Kentucky is unable to make such demonstration, the requested material shall be made available for inspection. Otherwise, the Commission shall deny the request for inspection.

9. The Commission shall not make the requested material available for inspection for 30 days from the date of service of an Order finding that the material no longer qualifies for confidential treatment in order to allow Duke Kentucky to seek a remedy afforded by law.

Entered on this 6th day of July, 2026.


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