# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE GAS AND ) ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR AN ADJUSTMENT ) CASE NO. 2012-00222 OF ITS ELECTRIC AND GAS RATES, A ) CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND ) NECCESITY, APPROVAL OF OWNERSHIP OF ) GAS SERVICE LINES AND RISERS, AND A GAS ) LINE SURCHARGE )

## NOTICE OF FILING

Notice is given to all parties that the following materials have been filed into the

record of this proceeding:

- The digital video recording of the evidentiary hearing conducted on November 27, 2012 in this proceeding;

- Certification of the accuracy and correctness of the digital video recording;

- A written log listing, *inter alia*, the date and time of where each witness' testimony begins and ends on the digital video recording of the evidentiary hearing conducted on November 27, 2012.

A copy of this Notice, the certification of the digital video record, and hearing log have been electronically served upon all persons listed at the end of this Notice. Parties desiring an electronic copy of the digital video recording of the hearing in Windows Media format may download a copy at <u>http://psc.ky.gov/av\_broadcast/2012-00221/2012-00221-and-2012-00222\_27Nov12\_Inter.asx</u>. Parties wishing an annotated digital video recording may submit a written request by electronic mail to <u>pscfilings@ky.gov</u>. A minimal fee will be assessed for a copy of this recording.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 2012.

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# CERTIFICATE

I, Melinda Ernst, hereby certify that:

1. The attached DVD contains a digital recording of the hearing conducted in

the above-styled proceeding on November 27, 2012. Hearing Log and Witness List are

included with the recording on November 27, 2012.

- 2. I am responsible for the preparation of the digital recording;
- 3. The digital recording accurately and correctly depicts the hearing;
- 4. The "Hearing Log" attached to this Certificate accurately and correctly states the events that occurred at the hearing of November 27, 2012 and the time at

which each occurred.

Given this  $4^{-1}$  day of December, 2012.

Melinda Ernst, Notary Public

State at Large

My commission expires: 247014,



# Case History Log Report

Case Number: 2012-00221-and-00222\_27Nov12

Case Title: LG&	E & KU Rate Case		
Case Type: Ger	neral Rates		
Department:			
Plaintiff:			
Prosecution:			
Defendant:			
Defense:			
Date: 11/27/	2012		
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Event Time	Log Event		
10:06:31 AM	Case Started	na na manana na manana na manana manana manana na manana na manana na manana na manana na manana na hamana na n	
10:06:35 AM	Chairman Armstrong welcomed everyo Breathitt.	one and introduced Vice Chairman Gardner and Commissioner	
	Note: Recording Clerk	He requested cell phones be turned off and further explained the procedures involved in the hearing.	
10:07:26 AM	Hearing today involves rate cases filed	by KU and LG&E, Case Numbers 2012-00221 and 2012-00222.	
10:11:06 AM	Intervenors include AG, KIUC, Kroger,	KSBA, LFUCG, CAC, ACM, Hess, and Stand Energy.	
	Note: Recording Clerk	IC was held at Commission office on 11/13-14, 2012 to discuss issues including possible settlement. IC was continued on 11/16 & 18/12. Settlement filed 11/19/12	
10:11:57 AM	Chairman Armstrong stated KU & LG& and 3 rounds by PSC staff.	E applications were subject to 2 rounds of discovery by the parties	
	Note: Recording Clerk	All intervenors, except LFUCG, filed testimony contesting various aspects of application.	
10:13:20 AM	Chairman introduced attorneys represe		
	Note: Recording Clerk	Kendrick Riggs, Allyson Sturgeon, and Robert White for KU and LG&E.	
10:14:43 AM	Dennis Howard II and Lawrence Cook for AG's office.		
	Note: Recording Clerk	KUIC-Michael Kurtz, Kurt Boehm, and Jody Kyler; Kroger-David Brown; KSBA-Matthew Malone & William May II; LFUCG-David Barberie; CAC-Iris Skidmore; ACM-Lisa Kilkelly & Eileen Ordover; Hess-Matthew Malone & William May II; Stand Energy-John Dosker & Patrick Hughes.PSC staff Members also introduced themselves: Quang Nguyen, Richard Raff, Jeff Shaw, Virginia Gregg, Elie Russell, Chris Whelan, and Leah Faulkner.	
10:15:29 AM	PSC Staff Member Raff motioned for a	cceptance of the proposed Settlement Agreement.	
10:16:29 AM	Chairman Armstrong called for comme	ents from the public.	
10:17:34 AM	Note: Recording Clerk Attorney Riggs called for Witness Lonr	None noted. ne Bellar to testify on behalf of KU/LG&E.	
10:19:35 AM		Witness Bellar was sworn by Chairman Armstrong. olved in arriving at today's hearing. A Settlement Agreement was Settlement document was circulated to all parties. Agreement was reached on 11/19/12 following review and adjustments by all parties.	

10:22:37 AM	Witness Bellar described Settlement Agreeme	
	consid	box settlement was reached. There were up to 10 forms of eration achievable in the SA. Benefits to low income
10:27:17 AM	Chairman questioned Witness Bellar regardin	ners, school systems, and customers at large.
10.27.17 7.17	•	s Bellar described instances for late payment, autopay, etc.
		stomers who are not available to pay their bills in a timely
10:30:48 AM	Witness Bellar continued to describe details o	f Settlement Agreement.
	year.	ss Bellar recommended PSC approve SA by the end of the This would allow both companies to move forward at the ning of 2013.
10:32:03 AM	Attorney Riggs motioned for PSC to approve	proposed SA.
10:32:32 AM	Dennis Howard of AG's Office had no questions of Witness Bellar.	
10:33:09 AM	PSC Richard Raff questioned Witness Bellar r	egarding billing of customers.
	includerrors	ss Bellar described changes made to billing practices ed in SA. He described minor changes in typographical . PSC Staff Member Raff further questioned Witness Bellar ling changes in the SA.
10:38:03 AM	Chairman asked for questions from other inte	
	Note: Recording Clerk None	noted.
10:38:32 AM	Vice Chairman questioned Witness Bellar.	
		oned Witness Bellar regarding the total number of schools ed in the AES rates, especially following the changes in the
10:42:44 AM	Vice Chairman continued questioning Witness	s Bellar.
	netme	ding different aspects of the SA including the number of ters, SPP costs, ITO services, Go Green tariffs/credits, etc.
11:02:24 AM	Commissioner Breathitt questioned Witness E	
11:05:25 AM	Witness Bellar explained the SA includes any	
11:06:59 AM		re relayed to all parties involved.
11:07:22 AM	Attorney Riggs explained witnesses are availa	able for questions.
11:08:08 AM	Victor A. Staffieri was called to testify and wa	as sworn by Chairman Armstrong.
	contin	ed all those involved in the regulatory process and ued with comments regarding the achievements of LG&E U. He recommended the approval of the SA.
11:11:49 AM		
11:13:10 AM	Attorney Riggs had no questions for Witness	Staffieri.
11:13:32 AM	Attorney Howard had no questions for Witne	ss Staffieri.
11:13:46 AM	PSC Staff Member Raff questioned Witness S KU/LG&E.	taffieri regarding PPL's involvement in regulation of
44.47.44 АМА	Note: Recording Clerk Mr. Ra emplo response	aff questioned Mr. Staffieri regarding his previous yment with the Long Island Electric Company and its nse to Hurricane Sandy.
11:17:11 AM		
	etc. ce questi	ling what more state commissions, utilities, heads of states, buld do in the preparation for major storms. These ons were brought up at the NARUC meeting in Baltimore in nber 2012.
11:19:04 AM	Witness Staffieri described continued collabo companies, etc.	ration and other efforts to be undertaken by utility

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11:20:14 AM	Vice Chairman Gardner questioned Witness Staffieri
11:22:31 AM	Note: Recording Clerk regarding regional transmission organizations (RTO). Witness Staffieri answered that the companies try to do what is best for their customers.
	Note: Recording ClerkHe deferred further questions regarding this issue to Paul W.Thompson.
11:25:55 AM	Vice Chairman Gardner further questioned Witness Staffieri.
	Note: Recording Clerk Regarding the increase stated in KU/LG&E's public announcement of the SA.
11:27:59 AM	Commissioner Breathitt questioned Witness Staffieri.
11:30:23 AM	Note: Recording Clerk regarding the number of power plants that will be gas load. Chairman Armstrong questioned Witness Staffieri
	Note: Recording Clerk regarding the use of natural gas vehicles and the positive aspects of using them.
11:31:14 AM	Witness Staffieri described no discussions had occurred involving natural gas vehicles.
	Note: Recording Clerk Witness Staffieri said he thought discussions would occur in the future given the state of energy sources.
11:33:37 AM	Witness Staffieri excused.
11:34:16 AM	Case Recessed
11:44:13 AM	Case Started
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11:44:26 AM	Case Started
11:46:09 AM	Paul W. Thompson was called as a witness and was sworn by Chairman Armstrong.
11:46:51 AM	Note: Recording Clerk Attorney Riggs had no questions.
11:47:07 AM	Attorney Howard had no questions.
11:47:13 AM	PSC Staff Member Quang Nguyen questioned Witness Thompson.
11:49:26 AM	Note: Recording Clerk regarding costs to stabilize Tyrone and Green River Power Plants. Witness Thompson replied to PSC Staff Member Nguyen's questions
11. 19.20 API	Note: Recording Clerk regarding stabilization of these plants and anticipated costs to perform stabilizations. Was an analysis completed to compare
11.E1.26 AM	stabilization of this facility in lieu of demolition of the facility. PSC Staff Member Nguyen questioned Witness Thompson regarding stabilization of the Cane Run facility.
11:51:36 AM	Note: Recording Clerk Was an analysis completed to compare stabilization of this facility
11:53:58 AM	in lieu of demolition of the facility? Witness Thompson replied that no study was completed.
11:50:39 AM	Witness Thompson replied that no study was completed.
11:55:08 AM	Vice Chairman Gardner questioned Witness Thompson regardiing RTO
11:55:50 AM	Note: Recording Clerk and the cost benefit analysis of joining an RTO. Witness Thompson replied an assessment was completed.
11:59:01 AM	Vice Chairman Gardner questioned a 2004 administrative case regarding a sales forecast included in the testimony.
11:59:47 AM	Witness Thompson replied load forecasts are filed annually.
12:00:13 PM	Vice Chairman Gardner continued to question Witness Thompson
12:15:25 PM	Note: Recording Clerk regarding specific aspects of his previous testimony. Commissoner Breathitt questioned Witness Thompson.
12:19:25 PM	Redirect of Witness Thompson by Attorney Riggs.
12:19:56 PM	KIUC Attorney Michael Kurtz questioned Witness Thompson.
12:22:28 PM	Commissioner Breathitt questioned Witness Thompson.
12:26:45 PM	PSC Staff Member Nguyen questioned Witness Thompson regarding depreciation rates.

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1:43:08 PM Vice Chairman Gardner questioned Witness Hermann.		
5:05 PM Chairman Armstrong questioned Witness Hermann.		
Note: Recording Clerk Witness Hermann brought a gas tracker. The gas trackers wi replaced with new equipment to lessen the potential for leaks current lines ultimately offering greater safety.		
1:50:31 PM Commissioner Breathitt questioned Witness Hermann		
Note: Recording Clerkregarding gas service lines and ownership of those lines.1:52:07 PMWitness Hermann was excused.		
1:52:27 PM Kent W. Blake was called to testify and was sworn by Commissioner Armstrong.		
1:53:36 PM Attorney Riggs had no questions for Witness Blake.		
1:53:43 PM Attorney Howard had no questions for Witness Blake.		
1:53:51 PM PSC Staff Member Nguyen questioned Witness Blake.		
Note: Recording Clerk regarding replacement of generating facilities and anticipated costs to replace them.		
1:55:43 PM Witness Blake responded.		
1:56:44 PM PSC Staff Member Nguyen further questioned Witness Blake.		
Note: Recording Clerkregarding the ECR mechanism, depreciation account, reserve accounts, cost of removal reserves, future depreciation rates,2:05:20 PMCommissioner Breathitt questioned Witness Blake		
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2:09:00 PM Vice Chairman Gardner questioned Witness Blake		
Note: Recording Clerk regarding cost determination of storms and storm damage. Chairman requested a post hearing data request to outline co of storms and storm damage and questioned if LG&E/KY have developed other ways to deal with the increasing costs of sto damage in lieu of current ways of paying for damages and re	sts : m	
2:21:09 PM Redirect of Witness Blake by Attorney Riggs		
Note: Recording Clerk regarding recouping money for removal of assets. 2:22:33 PM Redirect of Witness Blake by PSC Staff Member Nguyen		
2:24:48 PM Commissioner Breathitt questioned Witness Blake		
Note: Recording Clerk regarding depreciation money for salvage and if those costs h been collected from customers.	ave	
2:26:23 PM Witness Blake was excused.		
2:27:11 PM Attorney Riggs called Robert M. Conroy to testify and he was sworn by Commissioner Armstrong.		
2:28:17 PM PSC Staff Member Virginia Gregg questioned Witness Conroy		
Note: Recording Clerk regarding cost of service studies. 2:29:50 PM Witness Conroy explained cost of service studies.		

2:30:32 PM	PSC Staff Member Gregg continued to question Witness Conroy
	Note: Recording Clerkregarding cost of service studies and their impact on customers.She also questioned the DSM rates in the proposed SettlementAgreement and tariffs filed following adoption of the proposedSettlement Agreement.
2:35:34 PM	Vice Chairman Garner requested additional explanation of the
2:36:27 PM	Note: Recording Clerk relation of lost sales in the DSM program. Witness Conroy further explained.
2:37:05 PM	Redirect of Witness Conroy by Attorney Riggs.
	Note: Recording Clerk Witness Conroy further described fixed charges and variable energy charges.
2:39:43 PM	Redirect of Witness Conroy by Vice Chairman Gardner
	Note: Recording Clerk regarding emissions and purchasing allowances, the cost of service study included in his testimony.
2:43:49 PM	Witness Conroy stated that KIUC and the AG's office also completed cost of service studies.
2:53:25 PM	Redirect of Witness Conroy by Commissioner Breathitt.
2:54:04 PM	Witness Conroy was excused.
2:54:27 PM	Chairman Armstrong completed an overall swearing in for the witness involved as a whole.
2:56:20 PM	Note: Recording Clerk This was completed since some participants may have to leave. Attorney Riggs called J. Clay Murphy to testify and he was sworn by Commissioner Armstrong.
2:57:27 PM	Attorney Robert White questioned Witness Murphy.
2:58:11 PM	Attorney Howard had no questions.
2:58:17 PM	PSC Staff Member Gregg questioned Witness Murphy
3:03:33 PM	Note: Recording Clerk regarding administrative charges and pools of customers. Vice Chairman Gardner questioned Witness Murphy regarding riders.
3:05:05 PM	Witness Murphy was excused.
3:05:19 PM	Chairman Armstrong questioned the time needed to honor post data requests.
3:06:00 PM	Chairman Armstrong called for any other matters and closed the hearing.
3:06:54 PM	Note: Recording Clerk He thanked the parties and witnesses. Hearing was adjourned.
3:07:39 PM	Case Stopped