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**Re: CONSIDERATION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SMART  
GRID AND SMART METER TECHNOLOGIES  
Case No. 2012-00428**

Dear Mr. DeRouen:

Enclosed please find and accept for filing the original and fourteen copies of the response of Atmos Energy Corporation, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky by and through his office of Rate Intervention, Big Rivers Electric Corporation, Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Blue Grass Energy Cooperative Corporation, Clark Energy Cooperative, Inc., Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas Counties, Inc., Cumberland Valley Electric, Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc., Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc., East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc., Farmers Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Fleming-Mason Energy Cooperative, Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation, Jackson Energy Cooperative Corporation, Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation, Kenergy Corp., Kentucky Power Company, Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU"), Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Louisville Gas and Electric Company, Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc., Salt River Electric Cooperative Corporation, Shelby Energy Cooperative, Inc., South Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, and Taylor County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (collectively, the "Joint Parties") to Ordering Paragraph No. 6 of the July 17, 2013 Order in the above-referenced case.

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The Joint Parties plan to address the topics set forth in the Joint Comments filed May 20, 2013, as amended by the findings in the July 17, 2013 Order, by holding an initial meeting on August 15, 2013 in Lexington, Kentucky, at the KU Headquarters located at One Quality Street. The focus of this meeting will be to discuss the July 17, 2013 Order and establish a schedule for addressing the topics set forth in this proceeding. A preliminary schedule, which is listed below, has been proposed for the Joint Parties to discuss as part of the upcoming meeting in August.

- August 15, 2013 – Initial Joint Parties Meeting and EISA 2007 Standards
- September 10, 2013 – Customer Privacy
- October 8, 2013 – Opt-out Provision
- November 12, 2013 – Cyber-Security
- December 10, 2013 – Customer Education
- January 14, 2014 – Dynamic Pricing
- February 11, 2014 – AMI/AMR Deployment
- March 11, 2014 – Cost Recovery for Smart-Technology Deployments
- April 8, 2014 – How Natural Gas Companies Might Participate in the Electric Smart Grid
- June 11, 2014 – Final Report Review

The Joint Parties propose a sub-group of the Joint Parties meet with the Commission Staff on August 23, 2013 to serve as an organizational meeting. The Joint Parties will be able to provide the Commission Staff an update from the first meeting and discuss additional details of how the Joint Parties will address each topic noted in this proceeding.

Should you have any questions please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Rick E. Lovekamp

c: Parties of Record