August 1, 2018

Ms. Gwen R. Pinson
Executive Director
Kentucky Public Service Commission
211 Sower Boulevard
Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

RE: Case No. 2018-00261
Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.'s Application for Authority to Adjust Natural Gas Rates, Approval of a Decoupling Mechanism, Approval of New Tariffs, and for All Other Required Approvals, Waivers, and Relief

Dear Ms. Pinson:

Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. ("Duke Energy Kentucky" or the "Company") notifies the Commission that it will file a general natural gas rate case in thirty days or reasonably soon thereafter. Duke Energy Kentucky will use a forward-looking test period for this case.

Additionally, as part of the new tariffs included in the Company’s application, Duke Energy Kentucky seeks to establish a weather normalization adjustment mechanism.

Duke Energy Kentucky has contemporaneously filed a Notice of Election of use of Electronic Filing Procedures for this proceeding. Please assign this matter a case number and style and advise us of same so that it can be incorporated into the application and supporting testimony before filing with the Commission.

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1 Duke Energy Kentucky provides this notice pursuant to Commission regulation 807 KAR 5:001 Section 16(2).
Duke Energy Kentucky is providing a copy of this notice to the Attorney General's Utility Intervention and Rate Division. We will work diligently with the Commission and our other stakeholders to seek a constructive resolution. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Amy B. Spiller

cc: Chairman Michael Schmitt (via overnight mail)  
Vice Chairman Robert Cicero (via overnight mail)  
Commissioner Dr. Talina Mathews (via overnight mail)  
Hon. Andrew Beshear (via overnight mail)  
Hon. Rebecca Goodman (via overnight mail)
VIA HAND DELIVERY

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Dear Ms. Pinson:

Enclosed please find and accept a notice of election of use of electronic filing procedures in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8. Duke Energy Kentucky intends to file on or after August 31, 2018, an Application for Authority to Adjust Natural Gas Rates, Approval of a Decoupling Mechanism, Approval of New Tariffs, and for All Other Required Approvals, Waivers, and Relief. Duke Energy Kentucky would like to utilize the electronic filing procedures when filing documents in this case. I have enclosed a completed Notice of Election of Use of Electronic Filing Procedures as required by the Commission.

Should you have any questions regarding the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Rocco O. D'Ascenzo Esq.
Deputy General Counsel
NOTICE OF ELECTION OF USE OF ELECTRONIC FILING PROCEDURES
(Complete All Shaded Areas and Check Applicable Boxes)

In accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. gives notice of its intent to file an application for an adjustment of the Natural Gas Rates, etc., with the Public Service Commission no later than September 7, 2018 and to use the electronic filing procedures set forth in that regulation.

Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. further states that:

1. It requests that the Public Service Commission assign a case number to the intended application and advise it of that number as soon as possible;  
   - Yes [x]  
   - No [ ]

2. It or its authorized representatives have registered with the Public Service Commission and are authorized to make electronic filings with the Public Service Commission;  
   - Yes [ ]  
   - No [x]

3. Neither it nor its authorized representatives have registered with the Public Service Commission for authorization to make electronic filings but will do so no later than seven days before the date of its filing of its application for rate adjustment;  
   - Yes [ ]  
   - No [x]

4. It or its authorized agents possess the facilities to receive electronic transmissions;  
   - Yes [x]  
   - No [ ]

5. The following persons are authorized to make filings on its behalf and to receive electronic service of Public Service Commission orders and any pleadings filed by any party or the Public Service Commission Staff:

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6. It and its authorized representatives listed above have read and understand the procedures for electronic filing set forth in 807 KAR 5:001 and will fully comply with those procedures unless the Public Service Commission directs otherwise.  
   - Yes [x]  
   - No [ ]

Signed

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