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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Michael J. Schmitt, Chairman Kentucky Public Service Commission P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

Re: Support for Duke Energy Electric Transportation Pilot Program, Case No. 2019-00271

Dear Mr. Schmitt:

I write on behalf of the City of Highland Heights, Kentucky, and request you approve Duke Energy Kentucky's application for its proposed Electric Transportation Pilot Program. The pilot's purpose is to study the impact electric vehicles will have on the electric grid and how Duke Energy Kentucky can help prepare for their adoption. We support this proposal as it closely aligns with our role in creating a smart corridor between the City of Newport, Kentucky through the City of Highland Heights, Kentucky.

Specifically, the City of Highland Heights supports the five main goals of the pilot, which are to:

- Deploy a foundational level of fast charging infrastructure across the Duke Energy Kentucky service territory
- Study the effects of increasing adoption of multiple types of electric vehicles
- Study customer charging behavior
- Ascertain the potential financial and environmental benefits to the state of Kentucky

Specifically, we are interested in working with Duke Energy Kentucky to install EV fast charging stations. We have had discussions with Duke Energy Kentucky regarding the potential benefits this program could bring our organization as Highland Heights collaborates to create a Smart Corridor linking our city with Newport, Southgate, Northern Kentucky University, and Campbell County.

The proposed ET pilot will help our organization meet our needs and ultimately transform the future of transportation and air quality in the Northern Kentucky Area.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me for more information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Gregory V. Meyers Mayor