## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF DUKE ENERGY	)	
KENTUCKY, INC. FOR 1) AN ADJUSTMENT OF	)	
THE ELECTRIC RATES; 2) APPROVAL OF NEW	)	CASE NO.
TARIFFS; 3) APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTING	)	2019-00271
PRACTICES TO ESTABLISH REGULATORY	)	
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES; AND 4) ALL OTHER	)	
REQUIRED APPROVALS AND RELIEF	)	

## ORDER

The matter is before the Commission upon separate motions filed on August 16, 2019, by Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (Duke Kentucky), and Northern Kentucky University (NKU), requesting the excusal of a witness from attendance at the formal hearing scheduled to begin on February 19, 2020. In requesting the excusal of Tim Abbott from the hearing, Duke Kentucky states that Mr. Abbott did not file any testimony in this case and only sponsored three discovery responses to discovery requests issued by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by and through the Office of Rate Intervention. Duke Kentucky further states that none of the intervenors in this matter have any objections to excusing Mr. Abbott from appearing at the hearing.

In requesting excusal of Rebecca Lanter, or her proxy, from the hearing, NKU states that Ms. Lanter's participation in this matter is limited to sponsoring two responses to discovery requests issued by Duke Kentucky. NKU informs that Ms. Lanter recently left her employment with NKU, but that her proxy would have provided the same discovery

responses. NKU also states that the parties to this matter have agreed to excuse Ms. Lanter from attending the hearing.

Having reviewed the motions and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that Duke Kentucky and NKU have each established good cause to permit the excusal of Mr. Abbott and Ms. Lanter from attending the hearing in this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the separate motions of Duke Kentucky and NKU to excuse their respective witness are granted.

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## By the Commission

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