COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE)GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR AN)CASE NO.ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF)2020-00110INDEBTEDNESS))

COMMISSION STAFF'S INITIAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Louisville Gas And Electric Company (LG&E), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested herein is due on May 11, 2020. The Commission directs LG&E to the Commission's March 16, 2020 and March 24, 2020 Orders in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. The Commission expects the original documents to be filed with the Commission within 30 days of the lifting of the current state of emergency. All responses in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC Mar. 16, 2020), Order at 5–6. Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC Mar. 24, 2020), Order at 1–3.

preparer or the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

LG&E shall make timely amendment to any prior response if LG&E obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which LG&E fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, LG&E shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, LG&E shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to the application, paragraph 5. With the recent announcement of the reopening of the state via a phased-in approach, explain whether LG&E believes that the constraints surrounding the recording of documents at courthouse and County Clerk offices will lesson.

2. Refer to the application, paragraph 7. For the anticipated amounts of arrearages,

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a. Provide LG&E's plan for payment plans for reimbursements of arrearages.

b. For those who have arrearages, provide the anticipated percent that LG&E believe will participate in a payment plan.

3. Refer to the application, paragraph 14.

a. If LG&E enters into Intermediate Term Financing, provide the length of time LG&E anticipates before the Intermediate Term Financing is rolled over into Long-Term Financing such as First Mortgage Bonds.

b. Provide the advantages and disadvantages of Intermediate Term Financing.

c. Explain how LG&E determines the costs and benefits associated with Intermediate Term Financing.

4. In terms of the First Mortgage Bonds, explain whether LG&E will enter into any interest rate hedging agreements in connection with its issuance of First Mortgage Bonds and establish regulatory assets or liabilities to account for the losses and gains and to amortize the losses and gains.

5. Explain why an increase of \$400,000,000 in long-term debt and immediate term financings authorization is necessary, and explain what LG&E's future plans are for its use.

6. Explain how the issuance of First Mortgage Bonds and short-term debt for which approval is sought herein will affect LG&E's equity position.

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7. Explain whether and, if so, how LG&E contends that the issuance of the First Mortgage Bonds and short-term debt for which approval is sought herein will affect LG&E's credit rating.

8. Describe the interest rates that LG&E anticipates receiving on the variablerate and fixed-rate First Mortgage Bonds and explain the bases for those anticipated interest rates.

9. Describe the interest rates that LG&E anticipates receiving on the shortterm debt and explain the bases for those anticipated interest rates.

10. For LG&E company-wide, provide a list of expenses and savings that are COVID-19 related.

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