

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF EAST)	
KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR)	
APPROVAL TO AMEND ITS ENVIRONMENTAL)	
COMPLIANCE PLAN AND RECOVER COSTS)	CASE NO.
PURSUANT TO ITS ENVIRONMENTAL)	2024-00109
SURCHARGE, AND FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A)	
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND)	
NECESSITY AND OTHER GENERAL RELIEF)	

ORDER

On May 17, 2024, East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. (EKPC), pursuant to KRS 278.020, KRS 278.183, and 807 KAR 5:001 submitted an application to amend its Environmental Compliance Plan (Compliance Plan), to grant EKPC authority to recover the costs associated with its Compliance Plan amendment through its existing environmental surcharge, and for issuing a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) for the construction of Peg’s Hill (Area D) Phase 3 of the landfill at its Hugh L. Spurlock Station in Mason County, Kentucky (Spurlock Station).¹ EKPC’s Compliance Plan was last reviewed and approved in Case No. 2023-00177.²

By Order dated June 11, 2024, the Commission, pursuant to KRS 278.183, found that the engagement of an independent consultant to assist with review of Compliance

¹ Application (filed May 17, 2024).

² Case No. 2023-00177, *Electronic Application of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. for Approval to Amend Its Environmental Compliance Plan and Recover Costs Pursuant to Its Environmental Surcharge, and For Issuance of Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Other Relief*, (Ky. PSC Jan. 11, 2024).

Plan was appropriate.³ On July 5, 2024, the Commission entered an Order dictating the process by which EKPC will remit payment for the costs associated with the Commission's advisers in this case.⁴ Pursuant to that process, the Commission finds that Vantage Energy Consulting, LLC (Vantage Consulting) submitted its June 2024 invoice for consulting services in this matter. The invoice is attached as an Appendix to this Order. EKPC should remit payment for the amount of the invoice within 30 days of receipt of the of this Order by cashier's check or money order payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer and mailed or delivered to the Office of the General Counsel, Kentucky Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40602.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. EKPC shall remit payment to the Commission for Vantage Consulting's services rendered as a consultant to the Commission.
2. EKPC shall remit payment within 30 days of the issuance of this Order.
3. The payment shall be a certified check or money order made payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer that is delivered or postmarked as mailed to the Office of General Counsel, Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615, before the deadline.

³ Order (Ky. PSC June 11, 2024).

⁴ Order (Ky. PSC July 5, 2024).

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Cingis Hatton
Chairman

*Signed
on behalf
of Chair
w/ permission*

Vice Chairman

Mary Pat Ryan
Commissioner

ATTEST:

[Signature] For
Executive Director

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APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2024-00109 DATED AUG 20 2024

EIGHT PAGES TO FOLLOW

PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACT INVOICE FORM
GOVERNMENT CONTRACT REVIEW COMMITTEE
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION

Pursuant to KRS 45A.695, **no payment shall be made on any personal service contract** unless the individual, firm, partnership, or corporation awarded the personal service contract submits its invoice for payment on a form established by the committee.

Invoices shall be submitted every ninety (90) days, unless the personal service contract specifies a different submission time period.

Separate invoices shall be submitted for each distinct matter covered by the personal service contract, and shall be signed by the individual responsible for that matter

The issuance of an invoice to the Commonwealth constitutes an affirmation by the individual, firm, partnership, or corporation awarded the personal service contract that the invoice truly and accurately represents work actually performed, and the expenses actually incurred.

The head of the contracting body shall approve the invoice, indicating that the charges in the invoice reflect the value of the work performed, and all recorded costs and disbursements were reasonably and necessarily incurred in connection with the matter invoiced.

NOTE: All questions must be answered fully. If the space provided is insufficient, additional pages should be attached referencing the specifically numbered item. Any questions regarding the invoice requirements should be directed to the contracting agency.

Contract Number: PO# 2123220001504 Date of Invoice: 6-30-2024

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
Contracting Body

ENERGY + ENVIRONMENT CABINET / PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Division, Branch, etc.

1. Name & Address of Contractor:

VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING LLC
1609 CARRERA DRIVE
LADY LAKE, FL 32159

2. Contractor's Tax I.D. Number: 27 2585037

3. Effective Period of Contract:

Starting Date: 7-1-2022
Ending Date: 06-30-2024

4. Combined Total Amount Charged in this

Invoice for Services and Reimbursable
Disbursements: 20,465.00

5. Dates of Service Covered under this invoice:

Starting Date: 6-1-2024
Ending Date: 6-30-2024

6. Is this the FINAL invoice for services performed under this contract:

Yes No

7. Date of most recent invoice submitted prior to this invoice: 12-31-2023

8. How often is the contractor required to submit invoices under the terms of the personal service contract:

MONTHLY

9. Provide a description of the matter covered by this invoice:

ASSESSMENT OF EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE PLAN

10. Provide a full description of each service provided, including the date each service was performed, the name and title of each individual who worked on the matter, and the time the individual spent on the matter:

SEE ATTACHED T+E'S FOR EACH VANTAGE CONSULTANT

11. Provide the hourly rate for each individual working on the matter and the total charge for that individual for each matter involved:

SEE ATTACHED T+E'S FOR EACH VANTAGE CONSULTANT + INVOICE

12. Provide the subject matter and recipient of any correspondence:

INVOICE SUBMITTED TO VICKIE CRAVENS

13. Provide a full description of any work product produced, designating the way in which the work product is associated with the matter being invoiced. (Attorneys Billing for Legal Services: If you contend that any information is subject to privilege, please identify the privileged item, and provide sufficient information to evaluate the claim of privilege):

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED T+E'S FOR EACH VANTAGE CONSULTANT

14. Provide an itemized list of all disbursements to be reimbursed by the state for each matter invoiced and the total charge for that matter:

SIGNATURES:

Contractor: 

Date: 6-30-2024

Title: CEO

Contracting Body

Approved by: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

INVOICE FOR PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES

FOR : VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING, LLC

FED TAX ID # 27-2585037

INVOICE DATE: 6/30/2024
 INVOICE #: 20231280
 INVOICE PERIOD: 6/01/2024-6/30/2024
 PROJECT NAME: KPSC-EKPC2
 VANTAGE PROJECT #: 2023-80
 Document ID #: PON2 123 2200001504

FIRM INVOICED: KPSC

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
 Assessment of EKPC Environmental Plan

CONSULTANT	MONTH	HOURS WORKED	HOURLY RATE	BILLABLE FEES	BILLABLE EXPENSES	PERIOD AMOUNT	TOTALS
Walt Drabinski	6/01/2024-6/30/2024	21	\$240	\$5,040.00	\$0.00	\$5,040.00	\$5,040.00
Charles Buechel	6/01/2024-6/30/2024	12	\$225	\$2,700.00	\$0.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00
Mike Boismenu	6/01/2024-6/30/2024	39	\$225	\$8,775.00	\$0.00	\$8,775.00	\$8,775.00
Scott Everngam	6/01/2024-6/30/2024	12	\$225	\$2,700.00	\$0.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00
Jean Gormley	6/01/2024-6/30/2024	10	\$125	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00
SUB TOTALS		94		\$20,465.00	\$0.00	\$20,465.00	
TOTAL FEES							\$20,465.00
TOTAL PERSONAL EXPENSES							\$0.00
OVERNIGHT MAIL							\$0.00
COPYING - Black/White							\$0.00
COPYING - Color							\$0.00
MISCELLANEOUS							
TOTAL JUNE 2024 MONTHLY INVOICE AMOUNT							\$20,465.00

Previous:	
Expenditures July 2023	\$2,810.00
Expenditures Aug 2023	\$17,445.00
Expenditures Sept 2023	\$11,370.00
Expenditures Oct 2023	\$23,145.00
Expenditures Nov 2023	\$27,170.00
Expenditures Dec 2023	\$8,070.00
Expenditures June 2024	\$20,465.00
Cumulative expenditures billed to date (July 2023 - June 2024)	\$110,475.00

The information provided in the above invoice is believed to be accurate. Should any questions or discrepancies arise, please call or write to the following billing address.

PLEASE REMIT TO:
 Vantage Energy Consulting, LLC.
 1609 Carrera Dr
 Lady Lake, FL 32159
 Attn: Jean A. Gormley
 305-744-3440

VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING, LLC - TIME AND EXPENSE REPORT

Consultant Name: Walter Drabinski		Client: KPSC-EKPC2										Month: Jun-24	
Consultant Number: 1001		Project Number: 2023-80											
Hourly Rate: \$240		EXPENSES										Expense Totals	
Day	Description of Work	Air/Train	Hotel	Rent Car	Taxi/Park	Auto@\$.55	Other	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Hours	Fees	
1	KPSC Team Meeting (5-31) and follow up										4	\$960	
2												\$0	
3												\$0	
4	Application Review										3	\$720	
5	Application Review										2	\$480	
6												\$0	
7	VEC Team Meeting										2	\$480	
8												\$0	
9												\$0	
10												\$0	
11												\$0	
12												\$0	
13												\$0	
14												\$0	
15												\$0	
16												\$0	
17	Review info and Prepare DRs										2	\$480	
18	Review info and Prepare DRs										2	\$480	
19												\$0	
20												\$0	
21	Semi annual update review										2	\$480	
22	Review info and Prepare DRs										2	\$480	
23	Review info and Prepare DRs										2	\$480	
24												\$0	
25												\$0	
26												\$0	
27												\$0	
28												\$0	
29												\$0	
30												\$0	
31												\$0	
TOTALS:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	21.0	\$5,040.00	
											Total T&E:		\$5,040.00

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Walt Drabinski
Signature

6/30/2024
Date

VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING, LLC - TIME AND EXPENSE REPORT

Consultant Name: Chuck Buechel		Client: KyPSC- EKPC-2024		Month: Jun-24									
Consultant Number: 1021		Project Number: 2023-80											
Hourly Rate: \$225	EXPENSES												
Day	Description of Work	Air/Train	Hotel	Rent Car	Taxi/Park	Auto@\$.58	Other	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Expense Totals	Hours	Fees
1											0.00		\$0
2											0.00		\$0
3											0.00		\$0
4											0.00		\$0
5											0.00		\$0
6	Review Vol 1 of Application										0.00	3	\$675
7	Review Vol 2 of Application										0.00	3	\$675
8											0.00		\$0
9											0.00		\$0
10											0.00		\$0
11	Cont'd review of Application										0.00		\$0
12	Prepared Data Requests and outline of Assessment										0.00	2	\$450
13											0.00	4	\$900
14											0.00		\$0
15											0.00		\$0
16											0.00		\$0
17											0.00		\$0
18											0.00		\$0
19											0.00		\$0
20											0.00		\$0
21											0.00		\$0
22											0.00		\$0
23											0.00		\$0
24											0.00		\$0
25											0.00		\$0
26											0.00		\$0
27											0.00		\$0
28											0.00		\$0
29											0.00		\$0
30											0.00		\$0
31											0.00		\$0
TOTALS:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	12.0	\$2,700.00
											Total T&E:		\$2,700.00

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Chuck Buechel
 Signature
 6/30/2024
 Date

VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING, LLC - TIME AND EXPENSE REPORT

Consultant Name: Mike Boismenu		Client: East Kentucky Power Cooperative - Spurlock Landfill Audit - Case No 2024-00109		Month: Jun-24									
Consultant Number: 1059		Project Number: 2023-80											
Hourly Rate: \$225		EXPENSES											
Day	Description of Work	Air/Train	Hotel	Rent Car	Taxi/Park	Auto@\$.68.5	Other	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Expense Totals	Hours	Fees
1											0.00		\$0
2											0.00		\$0
3	Review of the EKPC Application to recover the environmental costs as associated with the Spurlock Station landfill expansion.										0.00	2	\$450
4	Review of the EKPC Application to recover the environmental costs as associated with the Spurlock Station landfill expansion.										0.00	2	\$450
5	Review of the EKPC Application to recover the environmental costs as associated with the Spurlock Station landfill expansion.										0.00	2	\$450
6	Review of the EKPC Application to recover the environmental costs as associated with the Spurlock Station landfill expansion.										0.00	2	\$450
7	Review of the EKPC Application to recover the environmental costs as associated with the Spurlock Station landfill expansion.										0.00	4	\$900
8											0.00		\$0
9											0.00		\$0
10											0.00		\$0
11											0.00		\$0
12	Review of the EKPC witness J. Purvis testimony, as provided to support the Spurlock Station landfill expansion Application.										0.00	4	\$900
13	Review of the EKPC witness J. Burton testimony, as provided to support the Spurlock Station landfill expansion Application.										0.00	4	\$900
14	Review of the EKPC witness T. Stachnik testimony, as provided to support the Spurlock Station landfill expansion Application.										0.00	2	\$450
15											0.00		\$0
16											0.00		\$0
17											0.00		\$0
18											0.00		\$0
19	Review of the EKPC witness J. Watson testimony, as provided to support the Spurlock Station landfill expansion Application.										0.00	2	\$450
20	Prepare of the first round of Data Requests, as associated with the EKPC Spurlock landfill expansion..										0.00	4	\$900
21	Prepare of the first round of Data Requests, as associated with the EKPC Spurlock landfill expansion..										0.00	4	\$900
22											0.00		\$0
23											0.00		\$0
24	Prepare of the first round of Data Requests, as associated with the EKPC Spurlock landfill expansion..										0.00	2	\$450
25											0.00		\$0
26	Prepare of the first round of Data Requests, as associated with the EKPC Spurlock landfill expansion..										0.00	1	\$225
27											0.00		\$0
28	Prepare of the first round of Data Requests, as associated with the EKPC Spurlock landfill expansion..										0.00	4	\$900
29											0.00		\$0
30											0.00		\$0
31											0.00		\$0
TOTALS:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	39.0	\$6,775.00
												Total T&E:	\$6,775.00

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Mike Boismenu
Signature

7/1/2024
Date

VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING, LLC - TIME AND EXPENSE REPORT

Consultant Name: R.S. Everngam		Client: KPSC		Month: Jun-24									
Consultant Number:		Project Number: 2023-80											
Hourly Rate: \$225													
Day	Description of Work	Air/Train	Hotel	Rent Car	Taxi/Park	Auto@\$.54	Other	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Expense Totals	Hours	Fees
1	VEC/KYPSC Meeting/Review SB 149										0.00	2.0	\$450
2	Review contract/prepare EKPC DRs										0.00	0.5	\$113
3											0.00		\$0
4	Review EKPC CPCN filing										0.00	3.0	\$675
5	VEC Team Meeting on EKPC CPCN										0.00	1.0	\$225
6											0.00		\$0
7											0.00		\$0
8											0.00		\$0
9											0.00		\$0
10											0.00		\$0
11											0.00		\$0
12											0.00		\$0
13	Prepare EKPC CPCN DRs #1										0.00	0.5	\$113
14											0.00		\$0
15											0.00		\$0
16											0.00		\$0
17											0.00		\$0
18											0.00		\$0
19	Prepare EKPC CPCN DRs #1										0.00	3.0	\$675
20	Review EKPC CPCN DRs #1 documents										0.00	0.5	\$113
21											0.00		\$0
22											0.00		\$0
23	Review EKPC CPCN DRs #1 documents										0.00	0.5	\$113
24	Review EKPC CPCN DRs #1 documents										0.00	0.5	\$113
25											0.00		\$0
26											0.00		\$0
27	Review EKPC CPCN DRs #1 documents										0.00	0.5	\$113
28											0.00		\$0
29											0.00		\$0
30											0.00		\$0
31											0.00		\$0
TOTALS:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	12.0	\$2,700.00
											Total T&E:		\$2,700.00

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R. Scott Everngam
 Signature

7/2/2024
 Date

VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING, LLC - TIME AND EXPENSE REPORT

Consultant Name: Jean Gormley		Client: KPSC-EKPC2										Month: Jun-24		
Consultant Number: 1071		Project Number: 2023-80												
Hourly Rate: \$125		EXPENSES												
Day	Description of Work	Air/Train	Hotel	Rent Car	Taxi/Park	Auto@\$.55	Other	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Expense Totals	Hours	Fees	
1	KPSC Team Meeting (5-31), follow up, schedule										0.00	6	\$750	
2											0.00		\$0	
3											0.00		\$0	
4											0.00		\$0	
5											0.00		\$0	
6											0.00		\$0	
7											0.00		\$0	
8											0.00		\$0	
9											0.00		\$0	
10											0.00		\$0	
11	administrative prep										0.00	1	\$125	
12											0.00		\$0	
13											0.00		\$0	
14											0.00		\$0	
15											0.00		\$0	
16											0.00		\$0	
17											0.00		\$0	
18											0.00		\$0	
19											0.00		\$0	
20											0.00		\$0	
21	EKPC semi-annual update review										0.00	1	\$125	
22											0.00		\$0	
23											0.00		\$0	
24	DR Distribution										0.00	2	\$250	
25											0.00		\$0	
26											0.00		\$0	
27											0.00		\$0	
28											0.00		\$0	
29											0.00		\$0	
30											0.00		\$0	
31											0.00		\$0	
TOTALS:											\$0.00	10.0	\$1,250.00	
											Total T&E:			\$1,250.00

NOTES:

Jean Gormley
Signature

6/30/2024
Date

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