

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC TARIFF FILING OF LOUISVILLE)	CASE NO.
GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY TO REVISE ITS)	2024-00125
LOCAL GAS DELIVERY SERVICE TARIFF)	

ORDER

On March 29, 2024,¹ Louisville Gas and Electric (LG&E), made a tariff filing via the online tariff filing system. In its letter to the Executive Director of the Public Service Commission, LG&E stated that, in so far as the Commission applied 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8, customer notice requirements to its filing, LG&E had complied.² LG&E filed proposed tariff revisions to its Local Gas Delivery Service tariff that included (1) clarifying the definition of local gas to exclude gas delivered by a virtual pipeline or containing hazardous waste; (2) requiring producers to have their own gas quality testing equipment; and (3) updating the gas quality specifications.³ According to the letter, no current customer receives service under this tariff.⁴ However, LG&E stated that it provided individual, written notice, including a redline version of the current tariff, to all potential

¹ On Apr. 25, 2024, the Commission issued an Order suspending implementation of the proposed tariff, up to and including Sept. 30, 2024, to investigate its reasonableness and established a procedural schedule.

² Letter to Ms. Linda Bridwell (filed Mar. 29, 2024) at 1.

³ Letter to Ms. Linda Bridwell at 1.

⁴ Letter to Ms. Linda Bridwell at 1.

customers with whom LG&E is currently in discussion regarding delivering renewable natural gas (RNG).⁵

Citing to the limited number of customers impacted by the proposed tariff changes, LG&E requested a deviation from 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8. In relevant part, 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8, generally requires the applicant utility to either mail notice to all customers or publish notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the utility's service area. LG&E provided an estimated price of publication in newspapers of \$100,000, and LG&E stated mailing notice would be approximately \$20,000.⁶ According to LG&E, the costs far outweigh the benefits of notice to all customers.⁷ However, if the Commission felt notice was still required, LG&E requested a deviation to excuse LG&E from mailing or publishing the notice in accordance with 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(2)(b).⁸

Having reviewed the record and being fully advised, the Commission finds that customer notice is required as the proposed tariff revisions encompass “a charge, fee, condition of service, or rule regarding the provision of service is changed, revised, or initiated and the change will affect the amount that a customer pays for service or the quality, delivery, or rendering of a customer's service.”⁹ However, the Commission finds that LG&E should be granted a deviation from 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8, for good cause. The Commission notes that no customer receives service under this tariff currently and

⁵ Letter to Ms. Linda Bridwell at 1–2.

⁶ Letter to Ms. Linda Bridwell at 2.

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⁹ 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8.

LG&E has demonstrated an effort to notify prospective customers and provided them with the appropriate information.

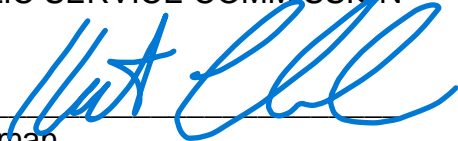
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. To the extent LG&E stated that customer notice was not required, it is denied.

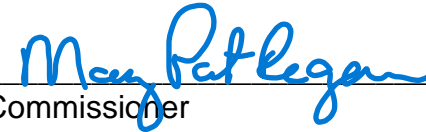
2. LG&E's request for a deviation in this matter from the notice requirements set forth in 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8, is granted.

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