

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY)	
UTILITIES COMPANY AND LOUISVILLE GAS)	CASE NO.
AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR CERTIFICATES)	2025-00045
OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)	
AND SITE COMPATIBILITY CERTIFICATES)	

ORDER

This matter arises upon Kentucky Utilities Company's (KU) application for approval of its 2025 Compliance Plan for recovery through the Environmental Cost Recovery Surcharge, which was consolidated into this current proceeding on May 14, 2025.¹

Pursuant to KRS 278.183(4), the costs associated with retaining an independent consultant shall be paid by the applicant and be included as financial costs in the ESM surcharge.

The Commission finds that Vantage Energy Consulting, LLC (Vantage) submitted an invoice for consulting services for June 1, 2025, through June 30, 2025. The invoice number 20250688b for the period June 1, 2025, through June 30, 2025, is attached as an Appendix to this Order. Pursuant to KRS 278.183(4), KU should remit payment for the amount of the invoice within 30 days of the date of service of this Order by check payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer and mailed or delivered to the Office of the


¹ Case 2025-00105, *Electronic Application of Kentucky Utilities Company for Approval of its 2025 Compliance Plan for Recovery by Environmental Surcharge* (Ky. PSC May 14, 2025), final Order.


General Counsel, Kentucky Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40602-0615.


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. KU shall remit payment to the Commission for Vantage's services rendered as a consultant to the Commission for the period from June 1, 2025, through June 30, 2025.
2. KU shall remit payment within 30 days of the date of service of this Order.
3. The payment shall be a check 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.
4. KU shall file notice of payment into the record that includes reference to the invoice number and date of payment.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Commissioner


Commissioner

ATTEST:


Executive Director



Case No. 2025-00045

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2025-00045 DATED JUL 31 2025

FIVE 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: PON2 123 2400002509 3 **Date of Invoice:** 6/30/2025

<u>The Commonwealth of Kentucky</u>	<u>Energy & Environment Cabinet/Public Service Comm.</u>
Contracting Body	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: 7/1/2024

Ending Date: 6 / 3 0 / 2 0 2 6

4. Combined Total Amount Charged in this

Invoice for Services and Reimbursable

Disbursements: \$1,440.00

5. Dates of Service Covered under this invoice:

Starting Date: 06/01/2025

Ending Date: 06/30/2025

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

____ Yes **X** _ No

7. Date of most recent invoice submitted prior to this invoice: 05/31/2025

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:

2025-00045 LG&E/KU ECP Assessment ESM

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 for each Vantage Consultant and Invoice

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

Invoice submitted to Stephanie Schweighardt

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&Es 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:

See attached Invoice

SIGNATURES:

Contractor: 

Date: 6-30-2025

Title: CEO - VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING LLC

Contracting Body

Approved by: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

INVOICE FOR PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES**FOR : VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING, LLC****FED TAX ID # 27-2585037**

INVOICE DATE: 6/30/2025
INVOICE #: 20250688b
INVOICE PERIOD: 6/01/2025-6/30/2025
PROJECT NAME: KPSC LG&E/KU Case # 2025-00045
VANTAGE PROJECT #: 2025-88b
Document ID # PON2 123 2400002509 3

FIRM INVOICED: KPSC LG&E/KU

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
2025-00045 LG&E/KU ECP Assessment ESM

CONSULTANT	MONTH	HOURS WORKED	HOURLY RATE	BILLABLE FEES	BILLABLE EXPENSES	PERIOD AMOUNT	TOTALS
Mike Boismenu	6/01/2025-6/30/2025	0	\$255	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Walt Drabinski	6/01/2025-6/30/2025	3	\$240	\$720.00	\$0.00	\$720.00	\$720.00
Charles Buechel	6/01/2025-6/30/2025	3	\$240	\$720.00	\$0.00	\$720.00	\$720.00
Scott Everngam	6/01/2025-6/30/2025	0	\$240	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Jean Gormley	6/01/2025-6/30/2025	0	\$135	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SUB TOTALS		6		\$1,440.00	\$0.00	\$1,440.00	
TOTAL FEES							\$1,440.00
TOTAL PERSONAL EXPENSES							\$0.00
OVERNIGHT MAIL							\$0.00
COPYING - Black/White							\$0.00
COPYING - Color							\$0.00
MISCELLANEOUS							
TOTAL June 2025 MONTHLY INVOICE AMOUNT							\$1,440.00

Previous

Expenditures May 2025 ESM \$3,450.00
Expenditures June 2025 ESM \$1,440.00

Cumulative expenditures billed to date (June 2025) \$4,890.00

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 LG&E/KU Case # 2025-00045 ESM				Month: Jun-25							
Consultant Number: 1001		VEC Project Number: 2025-88b											
Hourly Rate: \$240		EXPENSES									Expense	Hours	Fees
Day	Description of Work	Air/Train	Hotel	Rent Car	Taxi/Park	Auto@\$.55	Other	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Totals		
1											0.00		\$0
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	Envir surcharge filing review										0.00	2	\$480
10	Envir surcharge filing review										0.00	1	\$240
11											0.00		\$0
12											0.00		\$0
13											0.00		\$0
14											0.00		\$0
15											0.00		\$0
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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	3.0	\$720.00
NOTES:											Total T&E:		\$720.00
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VANTAGE ENERGY CONSULTING, LLC - TIME AND EXPENSE REPORT

Consultant Name: Chuck Buechel			Client: KyPSC- KU-2025-0045 (ESM)								Month: JUNE		
Consultant Number: 1021			Project # : 2025-88b										
Hourly Rate: \$240		EXPENSES									Expense		
Day	Description of Work	Air/Train	Hotel	Rent Car	Taxi/Park	Auto@\$.58	Other	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Totals	Hours	Fees
1											0.00		\$0
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	Reviewed KU response to Staff DR re ESM filings										0.00	1	\$240
10											0.00		\$0
11											0.00		\$0
12											0.00		\$0
13											0.00		\$0
14											0.00		\$0
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16											0.00		\$0
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19											0.00		\$0
20											0.00		\$0
21											0.00		\$0
22											0.00		\$0
23	Reviewed ESM requests & responses										0.00	2	\$480
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	3.0	\$720.00
NOTES:											Total T&E: \$720.00		
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="border-top: 1px solid black; width: 60%; text-align: center;"> <i>Chuck Buechel</i> Signature </div> <div style="border-top: 1px solid black; width: 35%; text-align: center;"> 6/30/2025 Date </div> </div>													

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