

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF LOUISVILLE)	
GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR AN)	
ADJUSTMENT OF ITS ELECTRIC AND GAS)	CASE NO.
RATES AND APPROVAL OF CERTAIN)	2025-00114
REGULATORY AND ACCOUNTING)	
TREATMENTS)	

ORDER

On August 1, 2025, Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García filed a motion requesting to intervene in this proceeding. As a basis for its motion, Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García stated that “any rise in gas and electric rates would place an added financial burden on my household, especially during a time when the cost of essential goods and services has already significantly increased.”¹ In his request, Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García recognized that it was not timely made and stated he had just become aware of the proposed increase.² He asked that the he be granted intervention regardless of the time of the filing.³

On August 5, 2025, Louisville Gas and Electric (LG&E) filed a response objecting to the admission of Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García as an intervenor.⁴ As grounds for the objection, LG&E argued several factors existed for denial of the request. LG&E

¹ Request to Intervene (filed Aug. 1, 2025) at 1.

² Request to Intervene at 1.

³ Request to Intervene at 1–2.

⁴ LG&E's Response to Mr. Garcia's request for intervention (Response) (filed Aug. 5, 2025).

stated that the request was not timely and good cause was not shown.⁵ LG&E also argued that Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García did not satisfy either prong of the 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11).⁶ As part of the argument against a special interest, LG&E provided examples of Orders in which the Commission has noted that the Attorney General is tasked with representing ratepayers in cases impacting utility rates.⁷ LG&E averred that Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García did not present evidence that he could assist the proceedings or offer expertise to develop the record.⁸

LEGAL STANDARD

The Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by and through the Office of Rate Intervention (Attorney General), has the statutory right to intervene in Commission cases pursuant to KRS 367.150(8)(b). The Attorney General has been granted intervention in this matter.⁹ With limited exception, intervention by all others is permissive and within the sole discretion of the Commission.¹⁰

⁵ Response at 4.

⁶ Response at 2–4.

⁷ Response at 2–3.

⁸ Response at 3–4.

⁹ Order (Ky. PSC May 27, 2025).

¹⁰ KRS 164.2807.

The regulatory standard for permissive intervention, set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4, is twofold. Commission regulation 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11), requires a person to set forth in the motion to intervene either (1) a special interest in the proceeding that is not otherwise adequately represented in the case, or (2) that intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings.

DISCUSSION AND FINDINGS

Based on a review of the pleadings at issue and being otherwise sufficient advised, the Commission finds that Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García has failed to demonstrate that he has a special interest in the proceeding over which the Commission has jurisdiction that is not otherwise adequately represented or that he is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings for the reasons discussed below. The Attorney General has been granted intervention in this matter, and the Commission has long recognized¹¹ that

¹¹ Case No. 2020-00349, *Electronic Application of Kentucky Utilities Company for an Adjustment of Its Electric Rates, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Deploy Advanced Metering Infrastructure, Approval of Certain Regulatory and Accounting Treatments, and Establishment of a One Year Surcredit* (Ky. PSC Jan. 12, 2021), Order (denying three customers' requests for intervention); Case No. 2009-00198, *Application of Louisville Gas and Electric Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and Approval of Its 2009 Compliance Plan for Recovery by Environmental Surcharge* (Ky. PSC Aug. 28, 2009), Order (denying intervention to customer Tammy Stewart on ground she lacked a special interest meriting intervention, as well as expertise that would assist the Commission); Case No. 2009-00174, *Application of Kentucky Utilities Company for an Order Approving the Establishment of a Regulatory Asset* (Ky. PSC June 26, 2009), Order (denying Rep. Jim Stewart's Motion to Intervene because he had neither a special interest in the proceeding nor was he likely to assist the Commission to render a decision); Case No. 2007-00337, *Joint Application of Louisville Gas and Electric Company, Association of Community Ministries, Inc., People Organized and Working for Energy Reform, and Kentucky Association for Community Action, Inc. for the Establishment of a Home Energy Assistance Program* (Ky. PSC Sept. 14, 2007), Order ("[H]old[ing] a particular position on issues pending in . . . [a] case does not create the requisite 'special interest' to justify full intervention under 807 KAR 5:001, Section 3(8)(b)."). Case No. 2012-00221, *Application of Kentucky Utilities Company for an Adjustment of Its Electric Rates* (Ky. PSC Aug. 9, 2012), Order (denying customer Bruce Nunn's request for intervention); Case No. 2012-00221, *Application of Kentucky Utilities Company for an Adjustment of Its Electric Rates* (Ky. PSC Aug. 9, 2012) (denying customer Michael Whipple's request for intervention); Case No. 2009-00548, *Application of Kentucky Utilities Company for an Adjustment of Base Rates* (Ky. PSC June 2, 2010), Order (denying


he is the proper party to represent the ratepayers. In addition, the Commission finds that the request to intervene was untimely without good cause shown. For all these reasons, the request for intervention should be denied.

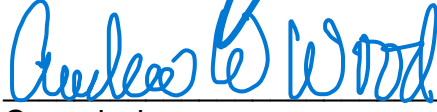
Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García will have an opportunity to participate in this proceeding even though he is not granted intervenor status. Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García can review all public documents filed in this case and monitor the proceedings via the Commission's website View Case Filings for: 2025-00114. In addition, Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García may file written public comments as frequently as he chooses, and those comments will be entered into the record of this case. Moreover, Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García will have an opportunity, if he so chooses, to provide public comments orally, prior to the November 3, 2025, hearing in this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Juan Manuel Mario Rodríguez García's motion to intervene is denied.

customer Geoffrey M. Young's request for intervention); and Case No. 2003-00433, *An Adjustment of the Electric Rates, Terms, and Conditions of Louisville Gas and Electric Company* (Ky. PSC Jan. 21, 2004), Order (denying customer Robert L. Madison's request for intervention).

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