## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the	Matter	of:
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STEPHANIE MONETTE SMITH	)	
COMPLAINANT	) ) (A	SE NO.
V.	,	5-00118
DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC.	)	
DEFENDANT	)	

## COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC.

Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (Duke Kentucky), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on August 29, 2025. The Commission directs Duke Kentucky to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085<sup>1</sup> regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-* 19 (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the 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.

Duke Kentucky shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Duke Kentucky obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect or incomplete when made or, though correct or complete when made, is now incorrect or incomplete in any material respect.

For any request to which Duke Kentucky fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Duke Kentucky shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied and scanned 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, Duke Kentucky 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 Duke Kentucky's Answer to Complaint, paragraph 9. Provide the itemized account statement indicating that the \$850 Rider AMO charges were removed from the Complainant's overall outstanding balance.

2. State whether other customers have been charged the Rider AMO's ongoing monthly charge since May 1, 2020 for months in which their bills were based on estimated usage as opposed to an actual manual meter read. If so, explain the circumstances under which a customer who has opted out of advanced meters pursuant to Rider AMO is charged the monthly charge despite being billed based on estimated usage and the circumstances under which they would not be billed the monthly charge

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**Public Service Commission** 

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because their bill is based on estimated usage.

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