COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF DUKE ENERGY)	
KENTUCKY, INC. FOR 1) AN ADJUSTMENT OF)	CASE NO.
THE NATURAL GAS RATES; 2) APPROVAL OF)	2025-00125
NEW TARIFFS; AND 3) ALL OTHER REQUIRED)	
APPROVALS, WAIVERS, AND RELIEF)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S POST-HEARING 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 no later than November 14, 2025. The Commission directs Duke Kentucky to the Commission's July 22, 2021, Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ 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 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

¹ 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).

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 the Stipulation Agreement. Provide a version of Attachment C to the Stipulation Agreement in Excel spreadsheet format with all formulas, columns, and rows unprotected and fully accessible.
- 2. Refer to the Hearing Testimony from Amy Spiller. Provide the current amount of deposits held for customer accounts.

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- 3. Provide the percentage of customers that receive Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funds.
- 4. Refer to the Hearing Testimony of Daniel Dane. Explain why Duke Kentucky was allocated property tax expenses from North Carolina.
- 5. Provide a calculation of the rates, as proposed in the Stipulation, including an updated rate case expense in an Excel spreadsheet format with all formulas, columns, and rows unprotected and fully accessible. Consider this an ongoing request until such time as the requested rate case expense is final.
- 6. Refer to Daniel Dane's rebuttal testimony, page 16; Stipulation, page 4, Item 6; and the Direct Testimony of Lane Kollen, pages 3-4.
- a. Explain whether prepayments of Kentucky Regulatory Fees are included in the rate base.
- b. Explain whether Duke Kentucky's practices have changed concerning the inclusion of prepayments of Kentucky Regulatory Fees in the rate base.
- 7. Refer to the Stipulation, paragraph 12 and Hearing Testimony of Amy Spiller. Provide a specific breakdown of the contributions to be made for bill assistance.
- 8. Refer to Daniel Dane's Direct Testimony, page 7 and Hearing Testimony of Daniel Dane. Explain what factors contribute to Duke Kentucky's 34.8 collection lag day average and what steps Duke Kentucky is taking to lower that average.
- 9. Refer to the Hearing Testimony of Bruce Sailers. Explain the procedure Duke Kentucky uses when issuing Operational Flow Orders.
- 10. Refer to the Hearing Testimony of Bruce Sailers and Duke Kentucky's response to Commission Staff's Second Request for Information, Item 6. Provide the

penalty amounts, by month, Duke Kentucky has paid as a result of both over and under deliveries for the years 2023 and 2024. Include in that response whether those penalty amounts were recovered from the supplier.

11. Refer to the Interruptible Service Rider currently on file. Identify the specific provision that allows costs to flow through the gas cost adjustment (GCA) mechanism. Identify the specific amount(s) that have flowed through or are currently proposed to flow through the GCA, by month for the years 2023, 2024, and year to date 2025.

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