

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY	)	
POWER COMPANY FOR AN ORDER	)	
APPROVING ACCOUNTING PRACTICES TO	)	
ESTABLISH A REGULATORY ASSET RELATED	)	CASE NO.
TO THE EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES	)	2025-00264
INCURRED BY KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY	)	
IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAY 2025 MAJOR	)	
EVENT STORMS	)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION  
TO KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY

Kentucky Power Company (Kentucky Power), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on October 1, 2025. The Commission directs Kentucky Power 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

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<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.

Kentucky Power shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Kentucky Power 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 Kentucky Power fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Kentucky Power 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, Kentucky Power 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 Application, Exhibit 2. Provide a breakdown of the estimated costs for each of the other contractors used related to the May 16, 2025 storm.

2. Provide the year-to-date, through August 31, 2025, storm damage operating and maintenance expenses, exclusive of storm damage arising from the May 16, 2025 and May 17, 2025 storms.

3. Refer to the Application, page 7, Item 21:

a. Confirm that 25 transformers, 41 sets of cross arms, 53 broken poles, and 446 spans of conductor were damaged due to the May 16, 2025 and May 17, 2025 storms. If not confirmed, explain the response.

b. If confirmed, state the reasoning for not having these costs separated in Exhibit 2 (Excel file).

c. Provide an approximate age for each piece of the equipment damaged, by type of equipment.

4. Refer to Application, Exhibit 2 (Excel file), JMED\_May 16 Thunderstorm\_Dist, line 67. Provide a breakdown for the \$1,501,277 expensed amount for Other Contractor Services.

5. Explain how Kentucky Power determines when to seek a regulatory asset for storm or other weather-related expenses, including how it establishes any monetary thresholds.

6. Explain what efforts Kentucky Power is taking to harden its distribution and transmission systems against future storms. Provide any documentation demonstrating these efforts.

7. Refer to Application, page 7, paragraph 20. Explain how Kentucky Power plans for these major weather related events, and how it chooses contract employees to participate in storm damage restoration efforts.

8. Refer to Application, page 8, paragraph 27 and 28.
  - a. Explain whether this process occurs prior to the beginning to the beginning of the storm event.
  - b. Explain whether using this application mitigates cost associated with storm repair.
9. Refer to Application, page 9.
  - a. Provide the Edison Electric Institute governing principles for emergency assistance.
  - b. Explain whether this is the standard is utilized by American Electric Power (AEP) or other utilities.
10. Refer to Application, page 13, paragraph 44. Explain when Kentucky Power incurred the \$1.1 million in storm expense this year.



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