COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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| AN ELECTRONIC EXAMINATION OF THE APPLICATION OF THE FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2024 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2025; MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2025; AND NOVEMBER 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026 | ) ) ) ) ) ) ) | CASE NO. 2026-00271 |

COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND 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 December 2, 2026. The Commission directs Kentucky Power to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085[1] 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

[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).

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 Kentucky Power's response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information (Staff's First Request), Item 2.

a. For the ACNR Coal Sales, Inc. (ACNR) contracts, explain why there is a price difference between time periods for the same contract.

b. Kentucky Power is taking ACNR coal under multiple contracts during the same period from what appears to be the same mine. Explain how it is determined that coal arriving at the Mitchell station is attributable to a given contract.

2. Refer to Kentucky Power's response to Staff's First Request, Item 3. Explain what actions Kentucky Power is taking to reduce its coal inventory to the target level.

3. Refer to Kentucky Power's response to Staff's First Request, Item 7.

a. Explain the typical natural gas purchase contract term and state whether longer contract terms are available.

b. Explain how Kentucky Power determines the quantity of natural gas to purchase through a contract.

4. Refer to Kentucky Power's response to Staff's First Request, Item 7 and Item 9.

a. Explain how Kentucky Power secures natural gas on weekends, holidays, and any other time when gas traders and/or sellers may not be available.

b. Using the natural gas contract purchases in Item 7, explain how the contract purchases over each six-month period reflect the implementation of Kentucky Power's hedging strategy.

5. Refer to Kentucky Power's response to Staff's First Request, Item 16, Attachment 1, page 1. For the Mitchell 2 Unit's maintenance outage beginning on January 25, 2025, the description of the event mentions a January 16$^{th}$ extension request of 72 hours. Explain the reasoning and justification for an extension request being made prior to the maintenance outage taking place.

6. Refer to Kentucky Power's response to Staff's First Request, Item 16, Attachment 1. For the Big Sandy 1 Unit, Cooling Tower inspect/repair is listed to describe outage events starting on September 14, 2024; April 5, 2025; and March 29, 2025, as well as three separate times from September 20, 2025 through November 2, 2025.[2] For each outage event, explain the inspections and repairs taking place on the Big Sandy 1 cooling tower.

7. Refer to Kentucky Power's response to Staff's First Request, Item 16, Attachement 1, page 2.

a. Explain if Kentucky Power is a winter peaking utility.

b. If so, explain the reasonableness of placing Mitchell Unit 1 into Reserve Shutdown from January 2, 2026, to January 14, 2025, and Mitchell Unit 2 into Reserve Shutdown from January 7, 2025, to January 15, 2025.

8. If not already provided, provide copies of all interstate pipeline transportation and storage contracts and tariffs utilized during the review periods. Provide a comparison of the terms of these transportation arrangements with those that were utilized during the five previous calendar years. Explain all efforts to ensure that interstate pipeline transportation costs were and are as low as possible.

9. If not already provided, provide copies of all current contracts for commodity supply. Provide a comparison of the terms of these commodity supply arrangements with those that were utilized during the five previous calendar years. Explain all efforts to

[2] Three separate instances include the starting dates of: September 20, 2025; October 31, 2025; November 1, 2025.

ensure that commodity gas supply costs were and are the lowest possible cost, and consistent with security of supply.

10. Provide gas supply and capacity contract summaries showing significant contract terms, daily/monthly/annual entitlements, and pricing. Identify any capacity changes (renegotiated and expired agreements, de-contracting, assignment, or long-term release) that took place during the review periods.

11. Provide Kentucky Power's natural gas storage arrangements; state the maximum daily injection and withdrawal rates; and the decline in deliverability that occurs as natural gas is withdrawn.

12. Provide a copy of any written procedures in use by Kentucky Power for nominations of natural gas.

13. If Kentucky Power has utilized gas marketing/trading organizations to obtain gas supplies over the last five years, indicate which organizations were so employed, gas volumes purchased, prices, terms, and current contractual arrangements between Kentucky Power and these marketing firms.

14. Provide a summary of the bidding/Request for Proposal process for gas supply during the review period, providing the original bid documents, a listing of the suppliers that were contacted, the responses to the request for bid, the evaluation process that led to the selection of a supplier, and any written procedures that exist for this activity.

15. Provide a copy of Kentucky Power's most recent gas supply plan and a written description of its gas supply planning and procurement process.

16. Provide a narrative description of any fuel supply-planning computer models currently being used by Kentucky Power or being considered for future use.

17. Provide organizational charts of the fuel planning, fuel purchasing, and fuel operations functions used for the purpose of procuring fuel for the Kentucky Power system. Describe any changes that have occurred during the review period, and whether any further changes are contemplated.

18. Provide copies of reports or internal audits or reviews of any aspect of the fuel supply functions conducted within the last five years. Include reports prepared by Kentucky Power or outside auditors.

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