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Attention: R. Benjamin Crittenden  
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Re: Kentucky Power Company  
Petition for Confidential Protection received 5/20/10  
PSC Reference – Admin. Case No. 345

Dear Mr. Crittenden:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Protection you filed on May 20, 2010 on behalf of Kentucky Power Company ("Kentucky Power"), to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.878. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as information contained in documents filed in connection with Kentucky Power's Emergency Operations Plan. The information is more particularly described as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information identified in the Table, containing transmission and generation specific details describing system priorities and blackout situations.

Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of infrastructure information would present a security risk to the company and to the public.

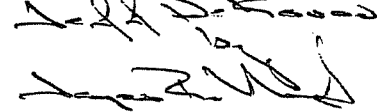
Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information you seek to keep confidential is of a confidential or proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would present an unwarranted security risk to the company and the public. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this

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case. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.

If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Kentucky Power Company is required by Section 8(9)(a) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,



Jeff Derouen  
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record