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Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.
Attention: Rocco D'Ascenzo
139 East Fourth Street
1303 Main
Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-0960

Re: Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.
Petition Requesting Confidential Treatment received 3/29/13
PSC Reference – Admin. Case # 387 – Annual Load/Demand Forecast

Dear Mr. D'Ascenzo:

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(3), Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. ("Duke") by Petition received on March 29, 2013, requested confidential treatment of certain materials filed with the Commission outside of a formal proceeding. 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(3)(d), of that regulation provides that the Commission's "executive director, as official custodian of the commission's records, shall determine if the material falls within the exclusions from disclosure requirements established in KRS 61.878 and the time period for which the material should be considered as confidential and shall advise the requestor of the determination by letter." This letter constitutes my determination of that request.

The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as being contained in Duke's Annual Load/Demand Forecast filed pursuant to Commission Order dated October 7, 2005. The information is described as Item No. II – containing scheduled outages or retirements of generating capacity during the current year and the following 4 years.

Your justification for having the Public Service Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information could result in an unfair commercial advantage to competitors.

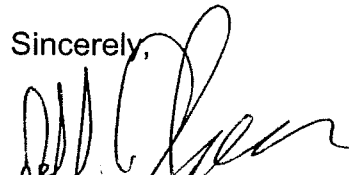
Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, it has been determined that the information requested to be held

confidential is of a proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to Duke's competitors. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1), and will be removed from the public record and maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case for a period of 5 years from the date of this letter, or until further Orders of the Commission. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 13(9) of 807 KAR 5:001.

If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. ("Duke") 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.

Any questions regarding this letter should be directed to Richard Raff, General Counsel at (502) 782-2588.

Sincerely,



Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record