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# VIA HAND DELIVERY

Tre Hargett, Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37219

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Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Kentucky Utilities Company for an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Securities and the Assumption of Obligations Docket No. 08-00193

Dear Chairman Hargett,

Enclosed are five copies of the Order of the Virginia State Corporation Commission approving the issuance of the securities that are the subject of the above referenced docket. A copy of this filing has been made electronically.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely, D. Billye Sandew L. Mol

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Attorney for Kentucky Utilities

Company

Enclosures

cc: Kendrick R. Riggs, Esq.
John Wade Hendricks, Esq.
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### COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

### STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

# AT RICHMOND, NOVEMBER 7, 2008

APPLICATION OF

KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY d/b/a OLD DOMINION POWER COMPANY CASE NO. PUE-2008-00098

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For authority to issue securities under Chapter 3 of Title 56 of the Code of Virginia and to engage in an affiliate transaction under Chapter 4 of Title 56 of the Code of Virginia

## ORDER GRANTING AUTHORITY

On October 14, 2008, Kentucky Utilities Company, d/b/a/ Old Dominion Power Company ("Applicant" or the "Company"), filed an application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") requesting authority to issue securities under Chapter 3 of Title 56 of the Code of Virginia ("Code") and to engage in an affiliate transaction under Chapter 4 of Title 56 of the Code. Applicant paid the requisite fee of \$250.

Applicant requests authority to issue up to \$275,000,000 of long-term debt ("Proposed Debt") at various times from the date of this Order through December 31, 2009, to Fidelia Corporation ("Fidelia"). The proposed transaction constitutes an affiliate transaction under Chapter 4 of Title 56 of the Code since Fidelia is the finance company subsidiary of E.ON AG ("E.ON"), the parent holding company of Applicant. The rate of interest on the Proposed Debt will be determined at the time of issuance and will depend on the term of maturity which will not exceed thirty years. Applicant further states that the interest rate on all borrowings will be at the lowest of: i) the effective cost of capital for E.ON; ii) the effective cost of capital for Fidelia; or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The current request is in addition to approximately \$100,000,000 remaining from the long-term debt authorized by the Commission in Case No. PUE-2007-00118, Final Order dated January 16, 2008.

iii) the Company's effective cost of capital as determined by reference to the Company's cost of a direct borrowing from an independent third party for a comparable term loan (the "Best Rate Method").

The Proposed Debt will be in the form of unsecured notes to Fidelia, subject to the terms of the loan agreement as set forth in Exhibit 1 attached to the Application. Applicant further requests authority to enter into one or more interest rate hedging agreements with an E.ON affiliate or with a bank or financial institution that may be in the form of a T-bill lock, swap, or similar agreement ("Hedging Facility") designed to lock in the underlying interest rate on Proposed Debt in advance of closing on the loan.

The Company states that proceeds from the Proposed Debt will be used for the remainder of 2008 and during 2009 for routine and ongoing upgrades and expansions related to its distribution and transmission systems and other capital projects including, but not limited to, new generating facilities and pollution control improvements to existing generating facilities.

THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the application and having been advised by Staff, is of the opinion and finds that approval of the application will not be detrimental to the public interest. Accordingly,

### IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) Applicant is hereby authorized to issue and deliver the Proposed Debt in the form of unsecured notes in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$275,000,000 in the manner and for the purposes as set forth in its application, from the date of this Order through the period ending December 31, 2009.
- (2) Applicant is authorized to execute and deliver and perform the obligations of the Company under *inter alia*, the loan agreement with Fidelia, the Proposed Debt authorized in

Ordering Paragraph (1), and such other agreements and documents as set out in its Application, and to perform the transactions contemplated by such agreements.

- (3) Applicant shall submit a Preliminary Report of Action within ten (10) days after the issuance of any securities pursuant to Ordering Paragraph (1), to include the type of security, the issuance date, amount of the issue, the interest rate, the maturity date, and a brief explanation of reasons for the term of maturity chosen.
- (4) Within sixty (60) days after the end of each calendar quarter in which any of the Proposed Debt is issued pursuant to Ordering Paragraph (1), Applicant shall file with the Commission a detailed Report of Action with respect to all Proposed Debt issued during the calendar quarter to include:
  - (a) The issuance date, type of security, amount issued, interest rate, date of maturity, issuance expenses realized to date, net proceeds to Applicant, and an updated cost/benefit analysis that reflects the impact of any Hedging Facility for any Proposed Debt issued to refund other outstanding debt prior to maturity, if an update is applicable;
  - (b) A summary of the specific terms and conditions of each Hedging Facility and an explanation of how it functions to lock in the interest rate on an associated issuance of Proposed Debt; and
  - (c) The cumulative principal amount of Proposed Debt issued under the authority granted herein and the amount remaining to be issued.
- (5) Applicant shall file a final Report of Action on or before March 31, 2010, to include all information required in Ordering Paragraph (3) along with a balance sheet that reflects the capital structure following the issuance of the Proposed Debt. Applicant's final Report of Action

shall further provide a detailed account of all the actual expenses and fees paid to date for the Proposed Debt with an explanation of any variances from the estimated expenses contained in the Financing Summary attached to the application.

- (6) Approval of the application shall have no implications for ratemaking purposes.
- (7) This matter shall be continued, subject to the continuing review, audit, and appropriate directive of the Commission.

AN ATTESTED COPY hereof shall be sent by the Clerk of the Commission to: Kendrick R. Riggs, Esquire, Stolle Kenon Ogden. PLLC, 2000 PNC Plaza, 500 West Jefferson Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202; Daniel K. Arbough, Director, Corporate Finance and Treasurer, Kentucky Utilities Company, 220 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202; and to the Commission's Division of Economics and Finance.

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