COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BULLITT CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I CIVIL ACTION No. 19-CI-00762

LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

PLAINTIFF

DEFENDANT KENTUCKY HERITAGE LAND CONSERVATION FUND BOARD'S MOTION TO DISMISS WITH PREJUDICE

ISAAC W. BERNHEIM FOUNDATION, et al.

vs.

DEFENDANTS

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NOTICE

This matter will come on for a hearing before the Bullitt County Circuit Court at 250 Frank E. Simon Avenue, Shepherdsville, Kentucky during its regularly scheduled Motion Hour on Monday, January 6, 2020, at the hour of 9:00 am.

MOTION

Comes the Defendant, Kentucky Heritage Land Conservation Fund Board ("KHLCF Board"), and for its Motion to Dismiss with Prejudice pursuant to Kentucky Rule of Civil Procedure 12.02 for lack of subject matter jurisdiction, states the following: The Plaintiff, Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E"), failed to tender an offer to the KHLCF Board, the holder of a conservation easement in the subject property, prior to seeking condemnation. The Kentucky Eminent Domain Act requires a condemnor to make a good faith effort to enter into an agreement with the owners of all interests in the subject property before taking legal action. KRS 416.550; KRS 278.502. This did not happen. For this reason, which is explained more fully in the attached Memorandum in Support of this

Motion, the KHLCF Boards respectfully requests that this Court grant its Motion and dismiss this matter with prejudice.

By filing this Motion, the KHLCF Board does not waive its right pursuant to KRS 416.600 to file an Answer at a later date (in the event this Motion is denied) objecting to the right of LG&E to condemn the subject property.

WHEREFORE, the KHLCF Board respectfully requests that the Court GRANT this Motion and enter the attached Tendered Order DISMISSING the matter WITH PREJUDICE.

Respectfully submitted,

KENTUCKY HERITAGE LAND CONSERVATION FUND BOARD

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 15th day of November, 2019, a true and accurate copy of the foregoing Motion to Dismiss with Prejudice was sent via first-class mail, postage prepaid, to:

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