

Case No. ~~1003-033~~  
1003-434

# CITY OF RICHMOND

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December 8, 2003

Public Service Commission  
Martin J. Huelsmann, Chair  
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Dear Mr. Huelsmann:

The City of Richmond has received notice that Kentucky Utilities has applied for a rate increase. I am very concerned about the effect this rate increase will have on the low income and those individuals on a fixed income. Many people struggle each month with the payment of their bills due to the escalating cost of basic necessities of life. Any increase in their bill would force many to make a difficult choice on which bills to pay, and unfortunately the basic necessity of food would be sacrificed to some extent.

I do realize that the cost of doing business has increased, but to pass this large increase on to the consumer will place upon them an undue hardship. The City has been told that the increase would amount to \$7.00 per month per customer. While \$7.00 may not seem like a large amount to many, to some it is huge.

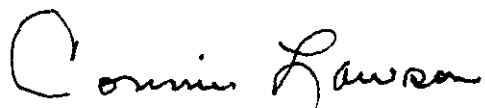


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I know that you will have a difficult decision to make but I also know that you will be fair after all evidence is presented. I wanted to express to you my feelings concerning the rate increase and the struggle some will have. I feel that we must always look out for those who are struggling.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Connie Lawson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Connie Lawson  
Mayor