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Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov **PSC** Director of Communications RE: Public Comment in Cases No. 2008-00251 and 2008-252 KU and LG&E general rate cases

Dear Ms. Stumbo:

I am an environmentalist concerned about improving energy efficiency in order to reduce the amount of coal that needs to be mined – using destructive methods such as mountaintop removal – and burned in KU's and LG&E's power plants.

It has come to my attention that Mr. Geoffrey Young, an environmentalist, has requested full intervention in these two cases in order to propose rate structures that reward customers and the utility companies for improving energy efficiency in our homes, businesses and factories. I also understand that the utility companies have taken the unreasonable position that environmentalists should be excluded from cases of this type.

I urge you to grant Mr. Young's request so that the perspective and ideas of environmentalists can be considered on an equal basis with the other interest groups who have already been granted full intervention in these two cases.

8/25/08

Sincerely,

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