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Dear Sir or Madam:

In comparing my Jan 2009 KU bill to my Jan 2010 bill, I discovered four things.

There was an increase to my Energy Charge.
That increase raised my Energy Charge more than ten percent.
My Environmental Surcharge had increased 47%
KU included a sheet in the Jan 2010 bill informing me they are getting ready to increase my residental rate (energy charge) another 13.54% effective 3/1/10.

After speaking with KU customer service, I was told that in Dec 2009, KU asked you for an "environmental roll-in" charge, which became effective Jan 28, 2010. This charge increased my base kilowatt rate from 0.05716 cents to 0.06424 cents – an 11% increase.

I imagine somewhere this rate increase was posted, or it was placed into an earlier bill, but I missed it.

With the Jan 2010 11% increase and the 13.54% increase effective March 1 2010, KU is getting ready to increase my electric bill by about 25%.

I asked KU for the phone number to the Public Services Commision because I wanted to intervene in the proposed rate change. In speaking with someone at the commission, I was told the March increase was stayed.

I hope this is the case, and I request permission to intervene in their rates and charges request.

I have made every attempt to reduce my electric bill through conservation. Comparing my Jan 2009 bill to my Jan 2010 bill, I calculated a reduction in my kilowatt usage of about 14% year over year, but my energy charge had actually increased 10%.

Electric customers cannot, through conservation, recoup this additional 14% KU rate increase request.

Please deny Kentucky Utilities's rates/charges increase request.

Respectfully submitted, Carla Butler Lexington, KY