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Subject: your comments in case 2011-00161 - Kentucky Utilities Co. environmental surcharge case
Date: Thursday, September 08, 2011 12:26:00 PM

Dear Mr. Julian:

Thank you for your comments regarding the environmental compliance plan and surcharge proposed by Kentucky Utilities Co. Your comments will be placed into the case file for the Commission's review as it considers this matter. For your future reference, the case number in this matter is 2011-00161. Please cite it in any future correspondence regarding this case so that your comments may be readily directed to the case file.

A video that explains the legal process under which the Kentucky Public Service Commission considers such cases is available through the PSC website. Follow this link:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lvGmPHRtdNk>

Thank you again for your interest.

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From: Mark Julian [REDACTED]
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To Whom It May Concern:

The proposed utility rate increase by Kentucky Utilities will come at a time when thousands of Kentucky families are struggling to make ends meet with high unemployment and increasing costs of living. I am a resident of Henderson County, Kentucky. I am married to a wonderful wife and have two daughters. I am going to school so in a few years I will possess the education and training that is required to be successful and support my family. However, if the rate increase is passed, how much more will our utility bill be? We are living on a very

tight budget until we have our education complete. How many other Kentuckians will not be able to absorb the cost of this rate increase?

I realize that Kentucky enjoys some of the cheapest electric costs per kWh in the nation. However with those increased pollution controls that is required by our Federal government (EPA), the utility companies have to comply or shut down those generating stations. Compliance with these new regulations costs millions to upgrade or update the generating units. Most Kentuckians can not bear the burden of an increase of this magnitude during current economic conditions.

I would like to at least bring up that whomever makes the decision to allow the rate hike or deny it, should please consider the thousands of Kentucky families and students that will be affected by this hike.

Pollution is a very real thing. Compliance with Federal law is a real thing for utility companies. However the rich and better to do have the money to absorb these increases. Kentucky families don't. Please do not pass this rate hike. I'm afraid that if this hike is passed it just the beginning of Kentuckians lacking the financial resources to adequate power for their homes and businesses.

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Mark Julian