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To: "Barbara.Szubinska@EKU.EDU"
Subject: your comments in case number 2014-371 - Kentucky Utilities rates
Date: Tuesday, December 30, 2014 3:34:23 PM

Dear Ms. Szubinska :

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

As you noted, the case number in this matter is 2014-00371. It would be helpful if you would please refer to it in any further correspondence.

The application and other documents in this case are available at
http://psc.ky.gov/PSC_WebNet/ViewCaseFilings.aspx?Case=2014-00371

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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Subject: 2014-00371 KU rates increase

Dear Public Service Commission,

I am writing to object to the latest request by KU to raise rates on electricity use, and especially to the request to raise account fees.

While customers have some control over their use of electricity, they have no control over the account fees. This action also discourages energy conservation because it devalues the amount saved compared to the amount customers pay in account fees.

Secondly, the rate increase places a big burden on the poor because as renters, they have little control over the quality of appliances and HVAC systems in their homes or apartments, and they may be forced to use equipment that uses significantly more electricity than an energy star appliance or HVAC system.

Overall, KU seems unwilling to bear the cost of the investments in their infrastructure. Passing the cost of such investments onto the consumer is not acceptable. I hope that PSC is going to intervene in this matter and protect the consumers,

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