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Post Office Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40602

Re: Case #2016-00371: LG&E Proposed Residential Rate Increase -
"There are three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies and statistics"

Dear Sir or Madam:

While I can appreciate the effort of the LG&E leadership to frame the proposed residential rate increase as a modest 9% and 5% (electric/gas), we can certainly understand why Mark Twain so wisely popularized the phrase: "There are three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies and statistics".

The table below provides a different statistical perspective of the impact to residential rate payers:

	Current	Proposed	Delta	% (+/-)
Electric - Basic Service Charge	\$ 10.75	\$ 22.00	\$ 11.25	100.5
Gas - Basic Service Charge	\$ 13.50	\$ 24.00	\$ 10.50	77.8
Electric - Supply charge (\$/kWh)	\$0.08639	\$0.08471	\$(0.00168)	-1.9
Gas - Distribution charge (\$/ccf)	\$0.28693	\$0.25385	\$(0.03308)	-11.5

LG&E is actually proposing increases in the fixed monthly basic services charges of:

- Electricity: 100.5%
- Gas: 77.8%

The variable consumption offsets of -1.9% and -11.5% provide insignificant real dollar savings compared to the increases in the fixed monthly fees. So, we see that the same data set provides a very different perspective.


Rate payers have been bombarded over the years to invest in energy efficiency projects to reduce consumption. I have made investments over the past 21 years in my current home. As you can see in the enclosed document provided by LG&E, I have received a "great" smiley face rating for using 17% less energy than efficient homes. Because my consumption of electricity and gas are already significantly below average, I have very little room to impact my "all in" costs going forward if these increases are approved as requested by LG&E.

Perhaps LG&E has been a bit disingenuous in encouraging efficiency and now they position the bulk of the requested residential rate increase on a portion of the bill that is out of the rate payers' control. I ask the PSC to consider:

- Rejecting the requested increases in the electricity and gas basic services fees
- Exploring possible increases in the consumption charges to provide the required rate of return for LG&E.

I would be pleased to provide any additional information or answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Regards,



Karl A. Renninger
Concerned "Rate Payer"

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Louisville Gas and Electric Company
 Energy Efficiency Operations
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 P.O. Box 32010
 Louisville, KY 40232

Smart Energy Profile

September 29, 2016

Account number:

We've put together this report to help you understand your energy use and what you can do to save.

For helpful tools and information visit

► lge-ku.com/waystosave

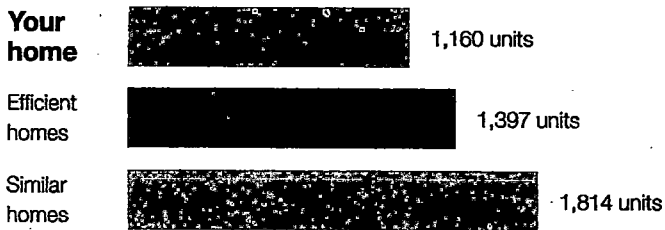
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Here's how you compare



Aug 31, 2016 - Sep 29, 2016

This is based on approximately 100 nearby similar homes. Efficient homes are the 20% who use the least amount of energy. See back for details.



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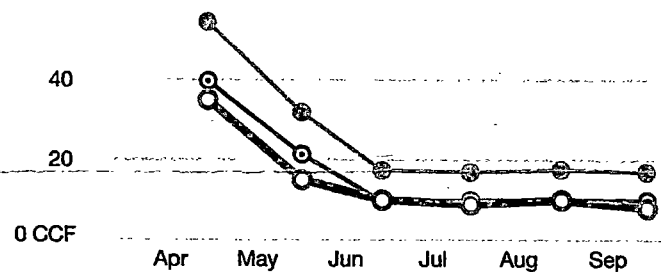
Using more than average

17% less energy than efficient homes

Electricity



Gas



In the last 6 months, you used less electricity and gas than efficient homes.

\$26 saved

Tips from efficient homes



Unplug electronics when they're not in use
 Save up to \$50 per year

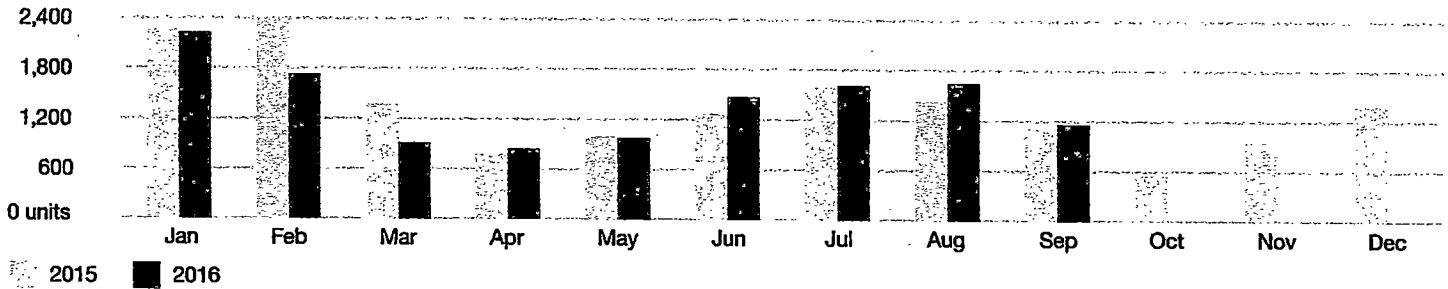


Install efficient showerheads
 Save up to \$120 per year

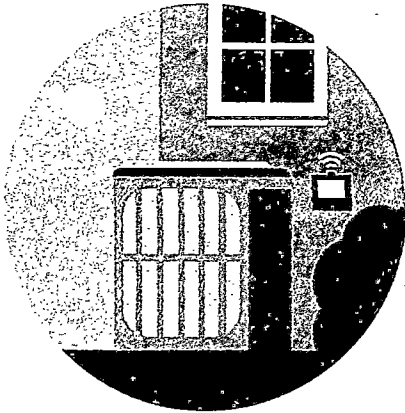
Turn over →

Track your progress

✓ So far this year, you've used 5% less than last year.



Get rewarded



Sign up now to get monthly bill credits each summer

Join the Demand Conservation program now, and you'll secure up to \$5 in credits on your bill every month each summer. Here's how it works:

1. We'll install a Demand Conservation device on your home and connect it to your central A/C or heat pump.
2. The device will pause your cooling cycles for a few minutes on select weekday afternoons.
3. You'll earn up to \$20 this summer and every summer you stay enrolled in the program.

➔ Sign up at lge-ku.com/dc.

Frequently asked questions

What's a unit?

A unit represents a combination of electricity (kWh) and natural gas (therms).

How is my comparison calculated?

Your energy use is compared to homes with a similar size, building type, and heating system. You can view your home information at <https://lke.opower.com>.

Why does LG&E and KU send these reports?

We want to help educate you on your energy usage, and provide actionable steps to reduce your usage and costs.

How do I stop receiving reports?

Call 855-710-9915.

How is my estimated savings or cost calculated?

Your energy savings or cost is estimated from your actual energy usage compared to actual usage of similar homes in your area.

The comparisons and dollar savings displayed here were prepared by our business partner Opower. Savings are estimated for typical premises in the LG&E KU service area and your actual savings may vary. LG&E KU cannot guarantee the amount of money or energy you may save by implementing the recommended actions.

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