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Gwen Pinson
Executive Director
Public Service Commission of Kentucky
211 Sower Boulevard
Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

RE: Application of Louisville Gas & Electric (LG&E) for an adjustment of its electric and gas rates. Case No. 2018-00295

Dear Gwen Pinson:

My name is Tom Austin and I am the CEO of Universal Linen Services, LLC. located in Louisville Kentucky. I am writing to you in regard to the rate case 2018-00195.

Based on our conversations with LG&E and their rate comparison, we are set to see a drastic increase in our costs if this is approved. If the Public Service Commission approved the rate increase that LG&E submitted, our LG&E Rate FT gas invoice will see a greater than 10% increase, which is unheard of.

Universal Linen, like most industrials behind LG&E, will have their highest burn day of the year during the coldest day of either January or February. The proposed monthly demand charge of \$4.89 will be multiplied by that day, the highest burn day, and will be charged/penalized monthly for the next 11 calendar months, regardless of actual use. We do not understand this level of demand cost, or its rationale, that is currently up for the Public Service Commission approval. Also, LG&E is proposing an additional \$750 per month administrative fee on top of current \$550 per month. We believe \$1300 per month in administrative fee to be excessive. We have investigated several surrounding utilities and cannot find a single gas utility that has structured their gas costs like, or remotely similar to, this proposal.

We clearly do not agree with the proposed changes. A 10% increase is entirely more than should be expected from LG&E. We appreciate your help in keeping these changes from being approved by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Please feel free to contact Al Inman at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

Sincerely,

Tom Austin

