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From: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: your comments in case 2018-00295 - LG&E rates
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 1:34:00 PM

Dear Mr. Rockhold:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Company for a rate adjustment.

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

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The documents in this case are available at http://psc.ky.gov/PSC_WebNet/ViewCaseFilings.aspx?case=2018-00295.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:54 PM
To: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov>
Subject: Re: LG&E Rate Hikes

Hello Andrew,

Louisville.

Thanks,

steve

-----Original Message-----

From: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov>
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thu, Feb 21, 2019 12:25 pm
Subject: RE: LG&E Rate Hikes

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From: [REDACTED] [[mailto:\[REDACTED\]](mailto:[REDACTED])]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2019 10:36 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: LG&E Rate Hikes

To Whom It May Concern,

The information on this proposed LG&E rate hike is disturbing. All Kentuckians need and deserve affordable and clean energy. This rate case (Case number 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)) moves us in the wrong direction. The LG&E and KU plan is bad for consumers, harmful to people on low and fixed incomes, and damaging to energy efficiency and rooftop solar. Kentuckians deserve so much better than this. The KY Public Service Commission must open up its public process and reject this rigged deal.

These talking points in regards to the rate changes are troublesome as well:

- The Kentucky Public Service Commission shut out groups representing low-income customers.**
- The LG&E and KU rate increases will hurt all customers.**
- The LG&E and KU plan is rigged against low-income residents, energy efficiency and rooftop solar.**
- The LG&E and KU plan is rigged to conceal information from customers.**
- The LG&E and KU plan is rigged to harm Kentucky's homegrown solar industry.**

Thank you for your time.

Steve Rockhold

From: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)
To: "Mary"
Subject: your comments in case 2018-00295 - LG&E rates
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 1:33:00 PM

Dear Ms. Bryan:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Company for a rate adjustment.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Mary [mailto:]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2019 10:55 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: LG&E Case #2018-00295

These are my written remarks from the hearing held in Louisville, Ky on 2-21-19 at which I spoke.

Mary Bryan

Public Comment in LG&E Case # 2018-00295

February 21, 2019

Thank you for the opportunity to speak on the LG&E proposed fixed meter rate increase. I am an LG&E customer and I also serve on two boards for low income utility programs in the LG&E service area.

The fixed meter rate increase proposal will make it even more difficult or impossible for low income customers to afford paying their monthly utility bills. This is a huge increase for households on fixed incomes and low wage jobs. They will be held hostage by a fixed meter rate increase as customers will have no ability to try to conserve/reduce their utility bill through their usage to offset/address the proposed rate increases.

In my board service with programs serving low income households, energy conservation and education programs such as Project Warm and We Care have made it possible for customers to better manage their monthly utility costs. With this proposal, customers will be struggling to pay larger utility bills that are not based on usage rate increases and therefore less control on reducing their bills. This will result in more low income households being at an even greater risk of not having utility service.

Please reject this request. We need to think about how this impacts our whole community.

Mary Bryan

1463 S. 1st Street

Louisville, KY 40208

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [Melnykovych, Andrew \(PSC\)](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: your comments in case 2018-00295 - LG&E rates
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 1:24:00 PM

Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Company for a rate adjustment.

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From: PSC - Consumer Web Inquiry
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2019 8:24 AM
To: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov>
Subject: FW: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

From: KY Public Service Commission <pscfilings@ky.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:55 PM
To: PSC - Consumer Web Inquiry <PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov>
Subject: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
[REDACTED] on Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 3:55 PM

Name: Marvin Smith
Address: 8603 Lambach Lane
City: Louisville

State: KY

Zip Code: 40220

Phone number where you can be reached: (606) [REDACTED]

Home phone:

Utility Name: LG&E, KU

State the nature of your concern: There is a rate increase before the Public Service Commission for this utility. This rate increase should be denied. I work downtown Louisville, KY. I have witnessed LG&E (gas department) install a gas line in front of my office in 2017. When completed, it was filled in and paved over. In 2018, LG&E (electric department) came through and dug a trench in approximately the same location. Why didn't LG&E put both lines in the ground when it was opened in 2017? This is costing double to dig the approximately same trench twice. Now, we customers are being asked to pay more for their WASTEFUL operations. The waste should be cut before they are allowed to increase my utility bill. Thanks,

Have you contacted the utility about the problem: No

From: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: your comments in case 2018-00295 - LG&E rates
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 1:23:00 PM

Dear Ms. Sternberg:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Company for a rate adjustment.

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

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: PSC - Consumer Web Inquiry
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2019 8:31 AM
To: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov>
Subject: FW: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

From: KY Public Service Commission <pscfilings@ky.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2019 1:07 AM
To: PSC - Consumer Web Inquiry <PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov>
Subject: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by [REDACTED] on Friday, February 22, 2019 at 1:06 AM

Name: Noelle Sternberg
Address: 4215 Marseille Drive
City: Louisville

State: Kentucky

Zip Code: 40272

Phone number where you can be reached: (502) [REDACTED]

Home phone:

Utility Name: Louisville Gas and Electric

State the nature of your concern: Rate increase for equipment upgrades

Have you contacted the utility about the problem: No

From: [Melnykovych, Andrew \(PSC\)](#)
To: [Joetta Venneman](#)
Subject: your comments in case 2018-00295 - LG&E rates
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 1:22:00 PM

Dear Ms. Venneman:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Company for a rate adjustment.

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From: Joetta Venneman [mailto: 
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2019 8:57 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case Number: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)

To Whom it May Concern at the Public Service Commission:

I write with the utmost serious concern regarding the proposed rate increase sought by Louisville Gas and Electric and Kentucky Utilities: Case numbers 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E).

I am a utility customer. I'm a Kentuckian of low-income and a senior resident. The decision to increase this fixed rate would greatly impact me.

As a senior on a limited income, I find it difficult to make the choices needed for survival in the midst of so many aspects in my life that continue to rise in price. The most difficult being such large percentage increases that seem to leave one wondering how "blood can be squeezed from a turnip."

I oppose the fixed charge that is being proposed by LG&E and KU. First, it is a financial hardship to me and other low-income and senior individuals. Second, this fixed increase does nothing to provide an incentive or behavior change for us to conserve energy or work toward being more efficient in the use of energy. Lastly,

I find it shameful knowing that the Kentucky Public Service Commission has gone to court to block the voices of our public.

In addition, I am aware that a net metering bill is in the 2019 Kentucky General Assembly. This bill is set to discourage rooftop solar and be another win for the utility companies. It seems unfair to me that the utility companies are looking to gain not once, but twice on their profit - one from each effort.

It is with this unfairness to the consumer, especially those who are low-income and seniors that I urge you to oppose this rate increase.

Sincerely,
Joetta Venneman
4707 Lynn Lea Road
Louisville, KY 40216

From: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)
To: ["Mary Lineberry"](#)
Subject: your comments in case 2018-00295 - LG&E rates
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 1:21:00 PM

Dear Ms. Lineberry:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Company for a rate adjustment.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Mary Lineberry [mailto: 
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2019 9:47 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: 2018-00294 and 2018-00295

Dear PSC:

I am writing to urge you to vote NO to the proposed LG&E and KU proposals 2018-00295 and 2018-00294. These proposals do NOT fall under your guidelines as fair, just and reasonable. LG&E just had a hike in 2017 and now here they are again asking for more, when clearly their profits are already ridiculously high. This proposal means that again, the poor and middle class are subsidizing the rich and their large homes and activities. It also discourages people from conserving energy or from purchasing solar panels. How backward can Kentucky go? PLEASE deny this proposal.

Respectfully,
Mary Lineberry
3009 Sherbrooke Road
Louisville, KY 40205

From: [Melnykovych, Andrew \(PSC\)](#)
To: [Terry, Isaiah A](#)
Subject: your comments in case 2018-00295 - LG&E rates
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 1:20:00 PM

Dear Mr. Terry:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Company for a rate adjustment.

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From: Terry, Isaiah A [mailto:████████████████████]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2019 8:12 PM
To: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov>
Subject: Re: 2018-00294 and 2018-00295

Name: Isaiah Terry
Place of Residence: 6307 Thomas court prospect kentucky 40059


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From: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 1:41:47 PM
To: Terry, Isaiah A
Subject: RE: 2018-00294 and 2018-00295

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From: Terry, Isaiah A [<mailto:> 
Sent: Monday, February 18, 2019 8:20 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: 2018-00294 and 2018-00295

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,
All Kentuckians need and deserve to have affordable and clean energy especially in this day and age. This rate case (2018-00294 and 2018-00295) moves us in the complete wrong direction and it must be stopped. The LG&E and KU plan is bad for consumers, harmful to people on low and fixed incomes, and damaging to energy efficient and rooftop solar. Kentuckians deserve so much better than this and it would be antithetical to our best interest to let this deal go on. The KY Public Service Commission must open up its public process and reject this rigged deal for the good of the commonwealth.

Thank you,
A Concerned Citizen

From: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: your comments in case 2018-00295 - LG&E rates
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 1:35:00 PM

Dear Mr. Leonardo:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Company for a rate adjustment.

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From: Pinson, Gwen (PSC)
Sent: Monday, February 25, 2019 8:51 AM
To: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov>
Subject: Fwd: LG&E rate increase opposition

From: Jeremy Leonardo <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, February 25, 2019 8:20 AM
To: Pinson, Gwen (PSC)
Subject: LG&E rate increase opposition

Good morning,

As a concern citizen of Louisville Kentucky, I wanted to raise concern regarding

Louisville Gas and Electric's proposal to raise prices.

They are a for profit organization in which all citizens need their services to survive. Yes this is supply and demand but LG&E in 2018 made a 1.7 Billion dollar profit and want to raise rates to pay for equipment upgrades. This should be part of their infrastructure and responsibility since they are as stated above a "For profit" business!

I amongst others oppose this rate hike!!!

Thank you,
Jeremy Leonardo

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From: [Mary R Dooley](#) [REDACTED] [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Sunday, February 24, 2019 5:30:58 PM

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Please reject Louisville Gas and Electric and Kentucky Utilities proposed rate increases.

This is an unjust, unfair, and unreasonable proposal that is contrary to Kentucky law. I, the undersigned, call on the Public Service Commission to deny this rate change!

These proposals will hurt many customers, especially low- and fixed-income people, apartment dwellers and people who attempt to conserve energy. They will limit our ability to save money by reducing our energy use. And they will discourage many people from installing rooftop solar or energy efficient systems, steps which are needed to lower harmful pollution and protect our health and climate. These rates are unfair, unjust and a step in the wrong direction.

Sincerely,

Mary R Dooley
4619 S 2nd Street
Louisville, KY 40214

[REDACTED]

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From: [Stacey Dillingham](#) [REDACTED] [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Sunday, February 24, 2019 2:48:44 PM

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Please reject Louisville Gas and Electric and Kentucky Utilities proposed rate increases.

This is an unjust, unfair, and unreasonable proposal that is contrary to Kentucky law. I, the undersigned, call on the Public Service Commission to deny this rate change!

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Sincerely,

Stacey Dillingham
14001 Old Station Rd Apt 205
Louisville, KY 40245

[REDACTED]

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From: [Catherine Ogburn](#) [REDACTED] [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Friday, February 22, 2019 9:41:03 AM

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Please reject Louisville Gas and Electric and Kentucky Utilities proposed rate increases.

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These proposals will hurt many customers, especially low- and fixed-income people, apartment dwellers and people who attempt to conserve energy. They will limit our ability to save money by reducing our energy use. And they will discourage many people from installing rooftop solar or energy efficient systems, steps which are needed to lower harmful pollution and protect our health and climate. These rates are unfair, unjust and a step in the wrong direction.

Sincerely,

Catherine Ogburn
2301 Millers Ln
Louisville, KY 40216

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From: [Kelly Cooper](#) [REDACTED] [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Friday, February 22, 2019 4:45:52 PM

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Please reject Louisville Gas and Electric and Kentucky Utilities proposed rate increases.

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Sincerely,

Kelly Cooper
6603 Six Mile Ln
Louisville, KY 40218

[REDACTED]

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From: [Magean Dooley](#) [REDACTED] [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Friday, February 22, 2019 3:01:31 PM

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Please reject Louisville Gas and Electric and Kentucky Utilities proposed rate increases.

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Sincerely,

Magean Dooley
4919 S 5th St
Louisville, KY 40214

[REDACTED]

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From: [Janet Gray \[REDACTED\] Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019 8:50:38 PM

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Please reject Louisville Gas and Electric and Kentucky Utilities proposed rate increases.

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Sincerely,

Janet Gray
414 Sam Drive
Louisville, KY 40214
[REDACTED]

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From: [Samantha Kinman](#) [REDACTED] [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019 4:36:57 PM

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Please reject Louisville Gas and Electric and Kentucky Utilities proposed rate increases.

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Sincerely,

Samantha Kinman
2503 Thomas Ave.
Louisville, KY 40216

[REDACTED]

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From: [Jacqueline Marshall](#) [REDACTED] [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:13:03 PM

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Please reject Louisville Gas and Electric and Kentucky Utilities proposed rate increases.

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Sincerely,

Jacqueline Marshall
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Louisville, KY 40215

[REDACTED]

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From: [SHARIEM WICKS](#) [REDACTED] [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019 2:48:24 PM

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

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Sincerely,

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LOUISVILLE, KY 40218

[REDACTED]

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From: [Julia Grider \[REDACTED\]](#) [.Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019 12:50:49 PM

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

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From: [Victoria Elliott](#) [REDACTED] [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: Public Comment Dockets No. 2018-00294 and 2018-00295, Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric Rate Cases
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 7:03:45 AM

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From: [REDACTED] on behalf of [Tamie Young](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)
Date: Saturday, February 23, 2019 12:48:18 PM

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Sincerely,

Tamie Young
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From: [REDACTED] on behalf of [REDACTED]
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)
Date: Friday, February 22, 2019 2:07:15 PM

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From: [REDACTED] on behalf of [REDACTED]
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
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Date: Friday, February 22, 2019 11:57:52 AM

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To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
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Date: Friday, February 22, 2019 11:18:47 AM

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Robert Toon
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From: [REDACTED] on behalf of [Jack Ball](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)
Date: Friday, February 22, 2019 9:50:11 AM

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To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)
Date: Friday, February 22, 2019 10:28:54 AM

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Sincerely,

Chris Woolery
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From: [REDACTED] on behalf of [stefani.wright](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)
Date: Friday, February 22, 2019 9:21:41 AM

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Sincerely,

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From: [REDACTED] on behalf of [REDACTED]
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019 10:25:40 PM

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From: [REDACTED] on behalf of [REDACTED]
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019 9:04:47 PM

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Sincerely,

Kelsey Giurgevich
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Lexington, KY 40502-2228

From: [REDACTED] on behalf of [Jeff Gearding](#)
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019 7:46:31 PM

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From: [REDACTED] on behalf of [REDACTED]
To: [PSC - Public Information Officer](#)
Subject: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019 6:50:51 PM

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Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019 6:35:58 PM

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Subject: 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E)
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 10:56:18 AM

Dear members of the Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am writing with great concern about the proposed rate increase sought by Louisville Gas and Electric and Kentucky Utilities: Case numbers 2018-00294 (KU) and 2018-00295 (LG&E).

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