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Respectfully,

Signed:

Sarah Smith 11.20.23

Address:

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for public comments. The hearing will be streamed live on the commission's [YouTube channel](#).

Comments can be submitted at any time at <https://psc.ky.gov/Case/SearchCasesPublicComments>, emailed to [PSC.comment@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.comment@ky.gov), or by mail to P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602-0615. All comments should include the commenter's name, address and the case number.

Additional information can be found at <https://psc.ky.gov/Case/ViewCaseFilings/2023-00159>

Kentucky Power, headquartered in Ashland, Ky., provides service to approximately 163,000 customers in all or part of 20 eastern Kentucky counties.

*Ref case No. 2023-00159*

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I Request, as a customer for over 50 years, that the Ky. Public Service Commission find out the profit margin that Ky. Power has received from the 78% increases since 2011. Also Martin County Schools are installing solar panels for their buildings. What plans does AEP & Ky. Power have for our public buildings?

*Elden Hounsberry  
390 Weddington Dr.  
Bekker, Ky, 41513*

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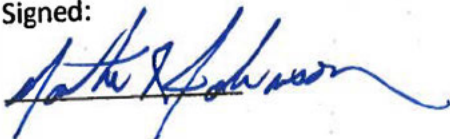
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