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From: Melissa Watkins Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2025 9:23 PM To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> Subject: I vote no.



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From: Nathan Erickson Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2025 2:03 PM To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> Subject: LGE KU Data Center



Why should taxpayers pay for LGE/KU and developers to do these huge data centers that are terrible for the eco-system and communities all to allow LGE/KU and developers to make huge windfall profits.

This is disgusting behavior and it is the job of the PSC to stop corporations/developers from these giant environmental disaster/money-grabs.

Thank you! Nate Erickson

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From: Linette Lowe Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 4:34 PM To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> Cc: Linette Lowe Subject: LG&E case 2025-00045



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Residential customers should not be forced to pay for data center projects taken on by LG&E. Many customers are already unable to afford this basic human need (who can live without electricity today??), and forcing them to foot the bill for LG&E's profit-driven decision is unjustifiable. As a person who works daily with community members who cannot pay their bills, I urge you to push back on this unnecessary and unconscionable rate increase.

Linette R. Lowe she/her/hers

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From: Lance Pearson Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 1:20 AM To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> Subject: Public Comment for Case No. 2025-00045 LGE KU

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I thank the members of the PSC for hosting public comment.

My early recommendations for state legislation (or regulation) of public utilities are as follows:

(1) FACE THE PUBLIC: Whenever the PSC considers a filed application for expansion of power generation by a utility company, community public comment forums should be REQUIRED both for the PSC and, even before that, by the Utility Company. The PSC graciously chose to host one here, but it shouldn't be optional. Also, outside PR firms or lawyers shouldn't be able to stand in: Executives or board members should be present.

Both the PSC and Utility Company should be required to answer well-formulated technical questions from the public. If they have the answer for the questioner in the moment, then they should be allowed to answer it, but otherwise (and perhaps regardless) they should provide follow-up written answers (much like the company has to respond to inquiries from the PSC at present, appearing in the case file).

(2) PAY YOUR OWN WAY & PAY EXTRA IF YOU HAVE TO BE ACCOMMODATED OR CONSUME VORACIOUSLY: When a customer requires infrastructure additions or upgrades only (or overwhelmingly) for them, they should bear the cost of it (I believe this is already the law, but it is insufficient).

When a large-load power consumer (eg a company requiring 100MW+) requires extremely expensive power generation expansion, they should be contractually obligated to guarantee that they cover a substantial portion of the costs of that expansion (particularly if the expansion wouldn't even be necessary without their additional consumption).

(3) CLEAN UP YOUR OWN MESS: When a for profit business entity creates negative impacts (short- or long-term) upon the community, they should be financially liable for mitigating those to a reasonable level, and then providing restitution for what they can't fully mitigate.

With large-scale fossil fuel energy generation these negative effect can be particularly insidious because particulates / air pollution is diffused over an extremely large area (by design), but the result is that negative health outcomes may become difficult to trace back to their source and have a very long onset time, making the causal relationship perhaps impossible to prove.

Perhaps more concrete (excuse the pun), an enormous-scale construction project of any type can become nearly impossible to repurpose after abandoned. To lessen the detrimental effects of that scenario, the company undertaking the construction could be required to hold a bond for that eventual repurposing/remediation cost.

(2) and (3) likely involve the creation of a distinct "High-Load Electrical Consumer" rate structure (consuming 100MWh+ of electricity every hour of the day simply isn't anything like a normal user, and they shouldn't be treated or charged as such, they should be charged a HIGHER rate). I believe Georgia has taken this approach with their PSC this year, and Ohio has pursued something similar recently as well. That higher rate can, in turn, be legally required to lower utility costs for conventional users (as a form of restitution for the negative effects of High-load Electrical Consumers), or it could be assessed from the utility as a "pollution-related medical side-effects tax", directly to fund long-term population health mitigation costs.

Note: I have discussed these ideas with a few legislators in rudimentary form already, and State Senator Lindsey Tichenor has given me the impression that she may be particularly eager to work on exploring and addressing these issues thoughtfully for next session.

Thank you for your time and attention, Dr. Lance Pearson Oldham County

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From: Freddie George Sent: Monday, July 14, 2025 9:25 PM To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> Subject: Opposition to LG&E expansion

To Whom It May Concern

I am writing to express my opposition of the expansion of LG&E for two additional power plants to be constructed die to the addition of data centers in Louisville and Mason County Kentucky. These plants will increase costs to the elderly and low income members of my community. The fact of not knowing the extent of the associated costs show that neither the data centers nor LG&E have thought out the financial impact to the citizens of Kentucky. These data centers need to be stopped as they provide no benefit to the community, and as energy hogs only cause hardships to the surrounding community.

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Freddie George

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Robert Maehl Sent: Monday, July 14, 2025 8:19 PM To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> Subject: 2025-00045

Hello. I will be focusing on KRS 278.030(2) covered by this commission. KRS 278.030(2) requires that a utility "shall furnish adequate, efficient and reasonable service." "Adequate service" includes having sufficient capacity to serve the "maximum estimated" requirements. Based on Table 1 LGandE is flying by the seat of its pants in terms of generation. This puts LGandE at extreme risks of not just failing to provide adequate service but reasonable as well. We are dealing with extreme and unprecedented uncertainties from tariffs, legislative changes, and judicial changes that risks LGandEs reserve energy margins. These margins are already expected to be in single digits within 5 years without any unpredictable challenges. Which there will be.

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Challenges such incidents seen at other hyper data centers as seen in the NERC report for July 10 2024 in Virginia have shown how large demand swings by these data centers put the grid, and electrical appliances in nearby homes at risk as the grid frequency rapidly moves away from 60hz. This risk is far larger and rapid than LGandE has previously experienced and LGandE has not indicated how it expects to handle these threats to its obligations per 278.030(2), as additional large improvements outside of the already listed will likely be

required to mitigate or at least reduce these risks.

Finally, per Table 1 Dispatchable Demand Side Management reflects expected load reductions under normal peak weather conditions. Unfortunately, normal peak weather conditions are no longer normal. We have recently seen record breaking climate events in Louisville from both rain and heat. Normal estimates should no longer be acceptable. For LGandE to provide such an optimistic lookout with its numbers in such an unprecedented time as the present is neglectful at best and dangerous at worse. From: To: Subject: Date:

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From: KY Public Service Commission Public Comments <psc.comment@ky.gov>
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To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comments for Case: 2025-00045 - Kentucky Utilities Company , Louisville Gas and Electric Company

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Public Comments for Case 2025-00045 submitted by Monday, July 14, 2025 at 7:41 PM

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Comments: For a company that only publicly discloses revenue and not profitability, I find it interesting that Louisvillians are being expected by LGE to see these plans as a benefit to the community and something that we should shoulder the financial burden of even though we know the risks and guaranteed impacts on public health and safety... The impacts to our water cleanliness and availability, the impacts on the land and air cleanliness, the construction damage to roads and other impediments and inconveniences it will cause, the constant light and noise, the higher prices that one can assume will affect more than just residents... They say it'll bring in more business and jobs, but we already know pay for the average worker isn't keeping up with inflation or productivity and hasn't for some time. It seems the only ones that

seek to benefit are the companies involved in these dealings. Louisvillians have been working and campaigning to improve Louisville for those who live here by lowering cost of living, bettering compensation and benefits, improving living conditions and access to resources, introducing trees and other greenery back into downtown and other areas of the metro area to improve air quality and reduce the heat Island effect, and create a more even spread overall quality of life across our city. We're asking to build a healthy, happy, and beautiful community and for some reason the only answer we seem to get from businesses and certain politicians is concrete and asphalt where woods used to be, warehouses where family farms and neighborhoods used to be, mountains and hills stripped for the lumber, rock, and coal and left barren and poisoned, pickleball courts where lush parks used to be, and somehow also tax payer burden. In more than just Louisville or even KY, folks are constantly being asked to sacrifice their health, time with their families, land, tax dollars etc for these companies and their profits, but when do they give back to us? I think it's time that we change the way things have been operating, start holding these companies accountable, and start building and prioritizing our people and communities rather than profit and company venture.

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From: Melissa Morgenson Sent: Monday, July 14, 2025 5:22 PM To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> Subject: No Data Center!



I am opposed to every data center built across our country -- and around the world! These centers use up too much of our resources -- water and electricity, and spew out toxins, in response. Louisville is already suffering from toxins in the soil from chemical companies who spilked and left without cleaning anything up. We do not need an additional mess for the people to pay for!

No new data center anywhere in Louisville. It's time we only said yes to non-polluters and companies that will give back to the community -- not just take, take, take.

Thank you.

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