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## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

CUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of:		RECEIVED
Jill + Ro	bert Wade, Jr	MAR 1 4 2005
(Your Full Name)	COMPLAINANT	) PSC Consumer Services
VS.		) Case 2005-00118
(Name of Utility)	DEFENDANT	) ) )
	COMPLAINT	0.2.1.110
The complaint of(\)	J. 11 M Wack a Ro Your Full Name)	bert respectfully shows:
()	Wade + Robert C.	
1404	Horseshoe Bend Rd;	Sonora, ky 42776
(b) <u>Ken</u>	Name of Utility)	
	Address of Utility)	
(c) That: _ (l	Describe here, attaching additional shee	ets if necessary,
Plea	ne specific act, fully and clearly, or facts	that are the reason
a	and basis for the complaint)	

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Wherefore, complainant asks <u>that my \$75 be returned.</u> (Specifically state the relief desired.)
I also respectfully request that the Public Service Commission obtain information from
KU about the number of times this charge
has been levied in the last year in case other Customers are owed a refund.  Dated at Sonora Kentucky, this 6 day  (Your City)
of March, 192005 (Month)  (Month)  (Your Signature)
(Name and address of attorney, if any)

I was charged \$75 because KU claims that I tampered with a meter. This is what I am <u>supposed</u> to have done according to KU. I called on a Monday to have the electricity reconnected and then tampered with the meter before they arrived. What am I missing? Why would anyone call their electric utility and request that they come to their meter as soon as possible and then tamper with it? It just doesn't make sense but KU apparently has the right to state that this happened and collect \$75 from anyone depending on them for service.

This is what actually happened. My husband and I arrived at a rental house of ours that had been abandoned in order to assess repair needs. A contractor for KU was there disconnecting the electricity. We got the number from him to call and request the service be reinstated under our name. They assured us they would be out the next day. Our employee arrived on Tuesday morning, plugged in his radio and went to work. There was electricity in the house. It went off shortly afterward and he found a red notice on the door stating that the service was disconnected due to "unauthorized" use of service. He said there was a green tag on the meter at that time and he didn't notice anything unusual about the meter.

This is not the first time my husband and I have had electricity turned on at a rental house. We manage several rental houses and have been getting electricity turned on for well over 15 years at all of them without any problem. This is the meter.



I am sure you will notice the prominent warning stating that the dire consequences of tampering with a meter. The response to our original complaint from KU seemed to imply that because an employee was in the house at the time using electricity, we must have tampered with the meter. Again, I ask, "Why would someone who had just called to have service started in their own name tamper with a meter?" It doesn't make sense.

I believe KU would like some return on a losing account and saw a way to get \$75. I want my \$75 back and I believe the Public Service Commission should find out how many times KU has charged people in this manner.

I thank you for your consideration of this complaint.