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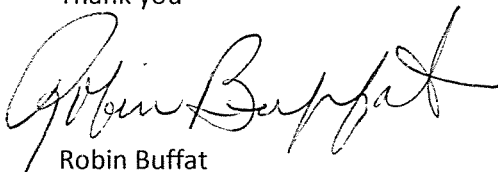
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I am very disappointed that LG&E is requesting an increase at a time when our community is in a state of dismay. There are so many people losing their jobs and taking pay cuts not to mention all the added expenses of what everyone endured when the gasoline was over the top.

It even makes me more outraged that they want to pass the cost of the "Ike storm" on to the consumers. They should budget yearly for things like that or have insurance. They have said that they set money aside; I know they have to have some years where it carries over. Everyone that had damage from the storm has to pay for it or claim it on insurance and they don't get to recoup that money from anyone. It has to end somewhere. Indiana is taking it out of their earnings. That is what LG&E should do. It is called a cost of doing business. Some years are more profitable than others.

We own a small Building/Remodeling business and we have had a really bad year and we took a big loss on a spec home in June. We did not get to pass that loss on to anyone. I am so tired of hearing about the bail outs. The mortgage industry put their selves in that position by coming up with those new loans and qualifying people that could not pay. Now the automakers want a bail out. What about the builders, subcontractors, plumbers and anyone else that is hurting. People are losing their homes and most everyone is losing their retirement. Where does it end? You cannot keep hitting people when they are down. Please do not grant LG&E their increase.

Thank you



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