

2008-00252

Dear Ms. Feldman:

The PSC has received your comments regarding the rate adjustment requested by Louisville Gas and Electric Co. Your comments will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

The case file in this matter, as in all matters before the PSC, is available at the PSC Web site.

Thank you for taking the time to share your views.

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From: Jo Anne Feldman

Re: Case No. 2008-00252

Date: January 9, 2009

I was very alarmed the other day when I read that LG&E is requesting a rate increase for both electric and natural gas services in the Louisville area, especially after just opening my LG&E bill for the past month. I was even more alarmed after spending a day working at the Dare To Care Food Bank (DTC) in Louisville. Practically every other caller was not just asking for food to feed their family. They were requesting help to pay for their recent LG&E bill. Since DTC does not offer assistance with utility bills, the caller would be referred to their area distribution center. Most of the callers had already visited their area distribution center and had been declined assistance with utility bills because they have run out of funds. It was also suggested that they call the churches in their area to get help. It was explained to me

by the person responsible for these requests at my own church that the people requesting help with utility bills must call around to other churches and get the donations matched. No one church pays the entire utility bill. From my experiences at DTC, I know that food assistance requests are up 30 percent. I'm sure the requests for utility bill assistance is up equally. Sometimes people will go without food to have heat in their homes. But to go without both is unbearable.

Since the rates are already excessively high this year, I do not believe LG&E (E-on) should be granted their request for rate increases on electricity and natural gas. Please give my thoughts (and the thoughts of many others I have talked with) your full consideration.

Thank you for your attention.

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