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Case No. 2009-00459

Dear Commissioners,

I realize this letter will arrive after the supposed 30 day notice from date of filing. However, this notice did not arrive at my home until the middle of January which did not give the average homeowner a true 30 day window to comment on this rate increase request. Having said that, I hope you will give my letter some consideration.

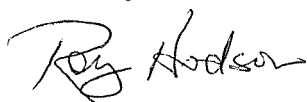
I recognize that Kentucky Power is a for-profit company and, as such, must cover its expenses plus a reasonable profit. However, a rate increase of this magnitude is way beyond what the average homeowner can absorb. There will be an increasing number of people, especially those on fixed incomes, who will not be able to handle this added monthly expense. I am not an alarmist but I do believe there will be elderly people whose very health will be at risk because they can not afford to pay the added heating and cooling costs this proposal is asking for. In this time of economic difficulty for many, even the average home will have a hard time covering their monthly expenses and this rate increase.

I am asking that the PSC closely examine this request before approval. Please do not allow KPCo to place an undo hardship on Kentuckians.

In addition, I am one of the families that had to endure 5+ days without electrical service in December 2009. It is my firm belief that KPCo neglected routine trimming and maintenance of their service lines over the past several years in exchange for higher profits. As a result, thousands of Kentuckians experienced a great hardship just before Christmas because of their neglect. I believe their lack of action regarding line maintenance should play a major influence on your decision to grant any rate increase to KYCo.

Thank you for your help in protecting our citizens from overly ambitious rate increase requests. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Roy Hodson