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**Public Service Commission** P. O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40601

RE: Kentucky Utilities' Rate Increase Request

Kentucky Utilities is again asking for more money from its customers – the third or fourth in two years. The Commission has granted each request, and it is time to say "NO!". They say that they have not had a rate increase in ten years, but this is completely false. They may not call them rate increases, but they have added fees, surcharges, etc., that greatly increased our bills. My monthly bill for January here at the clinic is up by more than 13% over last year. Don't tell me that they have not had an increase.

Please think of people living on limited income, the elderly, those living on minimum wage, the many people whose income is below the poverty level. In this poor economy, it would be criminal to approve this increase. It is not right to allow a company owned by a foreign company to gouge us to the brink of bankruptcy.

I ask you to please not allow this company one more increase in charges. Their request for funds from their customers to "research" wind power in Kentucky was absolutely ridiculous, but you approved it. It's time to get out the "NO" stamp and use it.

Sincerely.

Stephanie Raispis