

Public Service Commission
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RE: Kentucky Utilities Rate Increase

Dear Public Service Commission,


I recently received a letter from KU indicating a price increase of over 13% to residential power customers.

I plead that you do not allow such an increase to happen at a time of great economic crisis in our state. I myself recently became unemployed due to this financial emergency we all seem to be facing.

When I received my last power bill I had just been separated from my job. So I called KU worried about the short term consequences of having no income. The representative from KU explained that they couldn't make payment arrangements until I received a disconnect notice. They really never could give a good answer as to why they have this policy. But shortly I received my notice and when I was certain that I couldn't pay the bill I called them. But when I called the KY rep explained that I had called too late. And that my service was scheduled to be cut off today. And even though it hadn't been cut yet, they refused to give me just one day. I had just deposited a check which would have allowed me to pay this bill once the check cleared my bank. I needed just one day, and they refused.

Again I appeal to you that a company with practices such as this shouldn't be allowed ANY price increase at this time. I'm certain our citizens in this state can't afford such an adjustment. I agree that all private companies deserve the right to control their prices, but at these times and with these terrible inconsiderate policies the time for a KU rate increase is NOT now.

May you make the best decision for all parties involved,



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I'm sending a copy to our Governor in hopes he may intercede on the behalf of all distressed citizens of our commonwealth.

CC: Governor Steve Beshear