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Public Service Commission
Post Office Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40601

Re: Kentucky Utilities' Rate Increase Request

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Kentucky Utilities, a money hog with an insatiable appetite for our dollars, is again going to the feeding trough, asking for their third or fourth rate increase in three years. PLEASE do not approve this latest hit on our wallets. Mine is emptied monthly by my paying necessary living expenses.

You must remember that KU is owned by a foreign corporation that is interested only in making huge profits, not in providing electricity at affordable prices. Kentucky has some of the lowest salaries in the United States, and we cannot pay any more for the necessities of life. KU was once the best company in the US with the lowest rates. Since being purchased by a foreign conglomerate, rates have steadily increased. It's time to say NO to their constant requests for more. Put away the YES stamp.

The ice storm last year cost everyone a lot, even those of us with insurance (with a \$500 deductible). KU should absorb the costs they incurred, just as all of us have had to do. None of us anticipated the extra costs, but we tightened our belts, did without and paid our bills. KU should tighten its belt and reduce corporate bonuses, reduce unnecessary expenses corporation-wide and consider its customers.

It is time for the commission to consider the taxpayers of Kentucky, not the corporate hog that KU has become.

PLEASE DENY KU THIS REQUEST FOR MORE MONEY.

Yours truly,

Charlene R. Johnson (Age 75)