2009-00549

Dear Mr. Liebert:

Thank you for your comments below sent to Gov. Steve Beshear regarding the rate increase proposed by Louisville Gas & Electric Co. Your comments will be placed into the case file for the Commission's review as it considers this matter. For your future reference, the case number in this matter is 2009-00549. Please cite it in any future correspondence regarding this case so that your comments may be readily directed to the case file.

Thank you again for your interest.

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Congressman Yarmuth, I just received an E+ON/LG&E notice for increase in utilities filed with the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Especially at this time, with unemployment at an all time high, it is difficult to accept this type of request from a company that has done little to make an effort to assist their customers and the environment in improving our way of life and utility costs. E+ON/LG&E has no incentive to be customer friendly or put their own \$ into R&D that could REDUCE the need for energy. All their programs either are requesting the government or their customers pay for their expenses or pay for their OVERHEAD!

If the GOVERNMENT allows this to simply pass on all the overhead to its customers then it truly is "business as usual" and all the other energy related government programs have just taken a step backward.

I would not be so concerned if E+ON/LG&E had a history of research and successful efforts in improving their customers need for electricity and gas, at their own costs. How about a photovoltaic product that every homeowner can begin to experience a net metering opportunity.

There exists no incentive for E+ON/LG&E to assist customers to LOWER their overall usage!

Thanks for your help, Stephen Bryce Liebert, AIA

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