## Dear Mr. Pagano:

Thank you for your comments 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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**To:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) **Subject:** FW: LG&E Rates

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**Subject:** LG&E Rates **Auto forwarded by a Rule** 

I've had it with LG&E management and multiple rate increases.

I've lived in Washington, DC and Philadelphia both cities notorious for incompetence and mis-management yet they have their electrical lines buried so they are not destroyed every time there is severe weather.

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Of all places where this would seem essential, the Ohio Valley would be high on the list due to the predictability of intense weather events. Of course I've heard LG&E say it would cost a million dollars a mile to bury lines, a figure I don't believe for a moment, but one has to ask how much it costs to re-establish the system a couple times a year, including bringing in outside crews from other states.

Does anyone seriously think there won't be another major weather catastrophe in the future?

If we want to be a serious big city and attract new companies to locate here, we need to act like a first rate municipality.

LG&E electricity and gas are already too expensive. As a minimum, they're crushing retirees on fixed incomes. Their 13 category bill is loaded with dubious charges.

It's time to tell LG&E to manage their systems and stop soaking the residents who have no choice but to use their services or go away.

Sincerely, FrankGPaganoIII REDACTED

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