Dear Ms. Fink:

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.



By Kentucky Public Service Commission at 5:51 pm, May 02, 2010

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From: Fink Sent: Friday, April 30, 2010 3:18 PM To: Woods, Maggie (PSC) Subject: psc meeting 5/4/10

Ms. Woods, I spoke to you this morning and told you I didn't know if I could get to the Mon. night meeting in Louisville as I don't get home from work until 5:30. You said I could send my thoughts/ideas to you and you would pass them on if I can't get to the meeting.

I don't know what the Public Service Commission's job is, but I hope it is to protect the public from profiteering and unfair rate/fee hikes. Because it appears that Eon is trying to use the storms of last year as an excuse to gouge the public and make itself more attractive for the PPL sale.

I fully agree that LG&E could never have planned for the devastating events last year and I do agree that they deserve to get help from the customers for the \$15,000,000 they lost. But it is outrageous to permanently raise rates on a state with 11% unemployment. A more fair way to generate the income they need would be a ONE time fee of \$20 on each customers' bill. This would generate \$18,000,000, more than the 2 storms cost them.

As to their claim that they don't have enough PROFIT to fix aging gas lines, etc., perhaps they need to budget better, the way the rest of us do as our expenses rise. Their idea to charge electric customers \$9 a month and gas customers \$26 a month for meters as well as the DSM fee is not only unfair to people on fixed incomes, but on all of us working hard to save energy and lower our

bills. The more we try to conserve, the more they hit us with fees. 14 states have outlawed delivery fees. How do we get this made illegal in Ky?

If your job is to protect the consumer, please stand up to EON and keep our rates the same and disallow their fee hikes. Instead allow the onetime fee of \$20 to\$25 so they can have their storm money back and we can afford to heat and cool our homes.

Thank you, Holly Fink

P.S. Is there any way to stop the PPL sale. PPL has admitted it only wants to buy LG&E to prop up its company's risky wholesale power ventures. Doesn't sound good for the future rates of Ky consumers. Sounds like they plan to abuse the people in one of the poorest states to line the pockets of people in one of the wealthiest states.