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To: pscfilings@kv.gov

In regard to the application by KU to increase basic service rates, I would like to state my objection.

Raising basic rates (repeatedly) penalizes those individuals and businesses that are doing all they can to conserve energy. It is very important for public utilities to encourage energy conservation if we are to avoid additional construction of toxic coal-fired power plants while supporting the development of native Kentucky-based energy efficiency related employment and expanded "best use" of our limited resources. Rather than reducing utility profits, managing future demand intelligently can stabilize and reduce investment and overhead costs. (Refer to PG&E returns on conservation investments)

Raising rates on the amount of energy used, rather than the base rate, avoids penalizing conservation while encouraging individual investment in more efficient technology. When that investment takes place here in Kentucky, local businesses will benefit, sending tax money to our state instead of Ohio or California. The public service commission should NOT be discouraging business development in Kentucky.

The old saying that the Future arrives 25 years late in Kentucky is only reinforced by retrograde, self-defeating policies such as those reflected in this application. Not only does the Sun provide just as much available energy in Kentucky as other states, a dollar saved here is worth as much as a dollar saved in Texas or California.

I strongly urge the commission to hold our utilities to a higher standard of responsibility to the community than is reflected by this short-sighted and self-defeating proposal by KU (and the similar application by LG&E, case # 2012-00222) Please require these legal monopolies to adhere to "best practice" rather than rubber-stamping these unreasonable requests.

Thank you.

Phillip Stahlman
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Lexington KY 40509
[REDACTED]

FROM THE DESK OF
JEFFREY S. AUXIER

12.11.19

DEAR PSC:

MR. PHILLIP STAHLMAN

"CC'd" ME WITH A
COPY OF A LETTER/E-MAIL
HE SENT TO YOU AT
"PSCFILINGS@ky.gov."

WHILE WE THOUGHT AT
ONE TIME THAT "PSCFILINGS@
KY.GOV" WOULD WORK FOR
FILING COMMENTS, IT APPARENTLY
DOES NOT, WE NOTE THAT
THE FILINGS/SEARCH PAGE
ON WEBSITE ~~IS~~ IS A
BIT CONFUSING. WE KNOW SOME
DOCUMENTS FILED AT THE E-MAIL
ADDRESS WERE NOT ENTERED.
PLEASE ENTER THIS ONE, THANKS!
JAW

Date: 11/16/2012

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Thank you.

Yours truly,

Name:
Address:

James Allen
P.O. Box 323
Cawood, Ky
40815

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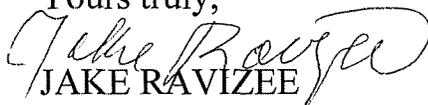
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JAKE RAVIZEE

PO.BOX 888
LYNCH, KY 40855

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Fax 502-564-3460

RE: Case No. 2012-00221 – Opposition to **Kentucky Utilities'** Proposed Rate
Increases and Improper Structure

Dear Commissioners:

I am a residential customer of KU. I write to oppose KU's rate increases on electric service. Present rates are fair, just and reasonable. In these difficult times, KU already enjoys a secure and generous rate of return on its capital.

If any increase is due, I oppose increasing the monthly service charges. KU wants to raise the monthly electric service charge by 53% (from \$8.50 to \$13.00) and the kWh rate by only 3.5% (from 6.987 cents to 7.253 cents). This follows a 70% increase in 2010, from \$5.00 to \$8.50.

Any rate increase should be put on the kilowatt-hour, not the monthly service charge. KU enjoys a monopoly and guaranteed profit. It doesn't need a higher monthly service charge to ensure adequate revenues. Increasing the monthly service charge instead of the kilowatt-hour:

- Unfairly and unjustly lowers the returns of prior private investors in efficiency;
- Unreasonably discourages future private investments in efficiency;
- Unreasonably rewards wasteful users of energy;
- Unjustly and unfairly impacts those who use energy sparingly (i.e. – the poor, the elderly and the efficiency-minded), and;
- Unreasonably impairs deployment of renewables and distributed generation;

In short, KU's proposed structure is bad public policy. A public utility with monopoly and guaranteed profit should not employ such structure. I pray the Commission will not allow it, either after hearing or in any proposed settlement.

Very truly yours,

Signature Thomas D Kelly

(Please print clearly)

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