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**To:** "EDDIE EMBRY"  
**Subject:** your comments in case number 2016-00370 - Kentucky Utilities rate case  
**Date:** Thursday, December 22, 2016 4:23:00 PM

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Dear Mr. Embry:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. for an adjustment in rates.

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

As you noted, the case number in this matter is 2016-00370. It would be helpful if you would please refer to it in any further correspondence.

The application and other documents in this case are available at  
[http://psc.ky.gov/PSC\\_WebNet/ViewCaseFilings.aspx?case=2016-00370](http://psc.ky.gov/PSC_WebNet/ViewCaseFilings.aspx?case=2016-00370)

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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**From:** EDDIE EMBRY [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 21, 2016 12:18 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer  
**Subject:** Case No. 2016-00370

To whom it may concern,

I am strongly opposed to the proposed increase in rates by KU. I do not want to pay more for my service as I pay enough as it is. Please do not raise the rates for the utility service for KU.

Thank you

**Eddie L. Embry DC**  
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**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "Greg Schorr"  
**Subject:** your comments in case number 2016-00370 - Kentucky Utilities rate case  
**Date:** Thursday, December 22, 2016 4:24:00 PM

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Dear Mr. Schorr:

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**From:** Greg Schorr [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 22, 2016 10:31 AM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer  
**Subject:** Case No 2016-00370

To whom it may concern,

I am writing concerning the proposed increases in KU rates in Case No. 2016-0037.

KU has presented a proposal that increases their revenues but is misleading, harmful to the poorest and weakest citizens, and does nothing to give the consumer an incentive to reduce energy usage. Please reject and restructure their proposal.

The way KU presents this proposal to the household customer is misleading. KU claims in the bill I received on 12/21/2016, see enclosed, that the rate increase is only 5.94% for residential customers. However, when one examines the formal proposal found online or as published in the local newspaper we find that the "Basic Service Charge" will increase a whopping 104.7% from \$10.75 to \$22.00. This brings me to my second objection to this rate increase proposal.

By hiding the biggest part of the rate increase proposal in the "Basic Service Charge", KU will

inflict the greatest pain on the poorest people among us. These include the elderly and handicapped who have no hope of getting additional income to cover this expense. If the price per kWh were the primary part of the rate increase the user could attempt to cut back their power usage to offset some of the \$/kWh increase. Also note that even if one looks at the proposal as a (misleading) 5.94% increase this is significantly higher than either inflation or the raises people are seeing in their paychecks for the last several years now so it is unfair even by that measure and again will hit the poorest people the hardest. And now my third objection to this rate increase configuration.

KU talks a lot about energy conservation and increasing energy efficiency but this rate increase proposal belies that talk. An increase in the Basic Service Charge” will not give the customer any incentive to reduce electric use.

KU has presented a proposal that will increase their revenues and does not provide any incentive for the user to reduce electric use. It misleads the customer by presenting it as “only” a 5.94% rate increase when in fact there is an almost 50% increase in the "Basic Service Charge”. This overall rate increase and increased service charge are most harmful to the weakest and neediest of the people among us, the elderly, handicapped, and underemployed.

This proposal should be rejected and restructured because of the dishonest and misleading way it was presented to the residential customers. It should also be rejected because it hurts the poorest people and those on fixed incomes, the elderly for example, the most. Finally, in this day where we see the earth warming at unprecedented rates, a smart rate increase would give the consumer incentives to reduce electricity usage.

Thank you for your time in reading and understanding my objections. If there are any questions, I am at your service.

Greg Schorr  
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**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**To:** "js"  
**Subject:** your comments in case number 2016-00370 - Kentucky Utilities rate case  
**Date:** Thursday, December 22, 2016 4:21:00 PM

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Dear Mr. Sublett:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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**From:** js [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 20, 2016 6:27 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer  
**Subject:** Re: Case No. 2016-00370

Lexington, ky

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**From:** PSC - Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 19, 2016 2:50 PM  
**To:** js  
**Subject:** RE: Case No. 2016-00370

Mr. Sublett

In order to place your comments into the case file, we need you to provide your place of residence.  
Thank you.

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**From:** j s [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 18, 2016 12:08 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer  
**Subject:** Case No. 2016-00370

Et all:

KU included a notice of rate increase in my December billing statement. I looked up the case on your web site and see that the increase has a temporary suspension through the summer of 2017-thank you.

I would like to understand the justification for a 5.94% increase for residential customers. The overall rate of inflation is hovering around 1%. Additionally, the price of coal, and natural gas for power generation is relatively low. In the notice KU provided no information as to why the rate increase was so much. I could understand if they were investing in infrastructure (smart grid, new efficient power plants etc..) However this increase appears to be solely for the increase of revenue (as stated in the notice). Based on the information KU provided their proposed increase seems excessive.

If, indeed, KU does need an increase to this degree, I request that they need to inform their customers as to why.

Thank you for your time:

Jeffrey Sublett

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