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Comments regarding LG &E's 2020 Plan and Application

Motion, Request to intervene in Case N. 2020-00061

Hello,

In our last LG & E bill, March 2020, we received information about rate hikes for "recovering capital costs associated with new pollution control facilities in the 2020 Plan under LG & E's existing Electric Rate Schedule." Approval from the Commission was requested "to construct certain water treatment systems And to install a wastewater diffuser..." Compliance with EPA's 2015 Effluent Limitations Guideline Rule as amended was cited. Various customers could expect small to large monthly increases in their bills. "... the actual costs associated with the pollution control facilities would be passed on to retail electric customers..."

This is a time when many are struggling to afford the basic necessities of life due to COVID 19, and will not be able to stretch their income, much less consider improvements. Should LG & E be requiring more of its customers? Are the improvements necessary at this time? What can be done for people whose rates would go up, but whose salaries and wages are greatly affected by this present crisis? Wouldn't it be a help to Kentuckians to see economic recovery in our state before LG & E launches costly improvements at the expense of its customers?

Thank you for considering this letter and input from the public on this issue. I am grateful for the Commission overseeing basic services to Kentuckians.

Sincerely,

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