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Subject:	<u>Cherlynn (State Rep.) (LRC); PSC Executive Director</u> Re: Item Logged For Case: 2021-00456	
Date:	Monday, February 7, 2022 9:26:44 PM	
Attachments:	KU-One-Rate.pdf KU-TODR.pdf KU-App-Mailing.pdf	

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The first word that comes to my mind is flabbergasted. The net of your finding is that it would have been too expensive for KU to have filed complete documentation of their rate change, so you allowed them to file an abbreviated version, which allowed some KU customers to unknowingly be gouged on their rates. I remind you that the increase in rate was 284%. Two hundred eighty-four percent, not the approximately 10% that KU stated in their abbreviated filing. I do so love how your findings state, "the balancing of reasonable notice was necessary to save ratepayers from being assessed greater cost associated with publishing long form notice." Which rate payers? because that decision ended up costing me money. The Public Service Commission was founded to protect the "little man" from monopolistic practices that non-competitive utilities can utilize to maximize their bottom line. To be honest, I'm not feeling protected in this scenario as KU was allowed to collect even more money from me.

In stating that it would be too expensive for KU to have filed complete documentation, you are indirectly stating that KU had no other means to notify customers, especially time-of-day rate customers, of the impending rate increase. Are you aware that time-of-day rate customers receive a different style bill than one-rate customers? Please see the attached KU-One-Rate.pdf which demonstrates a regular, one-rate bill, and KU-TODR.pdf which demonstrates a time-of-day rate bill. Clearly, KU knows which type of customer they are sending the bill to and could easily have added a notification of the upcoming rate change. Even though they are already sending a different bill, they chose to not do so. Didn't stop them from including advertisements on the bills, like for their app. Knowing that they were changing the peak time of day rates, and knowing that I was a time-of-day rate customer, and choosing to not notify me is negligence. They could have very easily included verbiage on the bill, rather than advertising for their app of questionable usefulness.

Continuing on the expense of notifying their customers, the reason for which they were allowed the abbreviated filing, please see the attached KU-App-Mailing.pdf, a scan of a mailing that I recently received. I have to conclude that this mailing was sent to every single KU customer. How much did this cost to send? If KU can afford to send this to all of their customers, why was it too hard or expensive to notify their time-of-day rate customers that the peak times were changing?

Upon receiving the rate change insert in my bill back in 2020, I read it, and there was absolutely nothing in it to make me think that I needed to look elsewhere. It is not a reasonable expectation for someone to have to go to a web site to learn the truth. It is a reasonable expectation that KU provide clear and truthful information about rates in their insert. They knew that I was a time-of-day rate subscriber and had an obligation to inform me of the change. They had the opportunity to notify me with simple printed statements on my bill, yet they still chose to not do so. They had the knowledge and they knew that the repercussions to me, and potentially to all time-of-day rate subscribers, would be unexpected utilization at peak rate times. Yet, still, they took no action. This is negligence at best. Any rationalization that it was due to expense is null and void, because KU had no cost options that they did not utilize. Further, they spent money informing me of an app that I have no interest in, so it's just not reasonable that they could not afford to notify me of the rate change. What KU actually did do, though, was pocket more money from me and other unsuspecting time-of-day rate subscribers.

KU's abbreviated filing was incomplete and should never have been allowed. The net result is that KU's time-of-day rate customers got surcharged/gouged for some of their electric usage, to the tune of a 284% increase. It is simply not fathomable that this could even remotely be considered ok.

Vic Mollett

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#### BILLING SUMMARY

Previous Balance	76.76
Payment(s) Received	-76.76
Balance as of 1/25/22	\$0.00
Current Electric Charges	65.56
Current Taxes and Fees	4.57
Total Current Charges as of 1/25/22	\$70.13
Total Amount Due	\$70.13

#### Mailed 1/26/22 for Account #

AMOUNT DUE **\$70.13** 

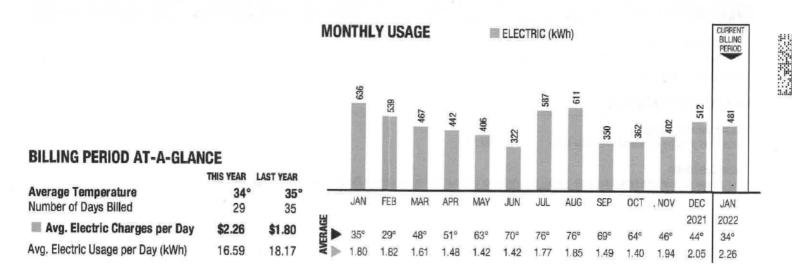
DUE DATE **2/18/22** 

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Online or phone payments made before 7 pm ET will be posted same day Account Name: VICTOB LINN MOLLETT

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Service Address:	3837 Muirfield PI LEXINGTON KY
<b>Online Payments:</b>	lge-ku.com
Telephone Payments:	(859) 255-0394, press 1-2-3 24 hours a day; \$2.00 fee
<b>Customer Service:</b>	(859) 255-0394
	M-F, 7am-7pm ET
Walk-in Center:	1 Quality Street
	Lexington, KY 40507
	M-F, 9am-5pm ET

Next read will occur 2/22/22 - 2/24/22 (Meter Read Portion 16)



Please return only this portion with your payment. Make checks payable to KU and write your account number on your check.

Amount Due <b>2/18/22</b>	\$70.13
After Due Date, Pay this Amount:	\$72.24
WinterCare Donation:	
Total Amount Enclosed:	AUTOPAY

\$70.13 will be deducted from your account on payment due date



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Account #		
Service Address:	3837	Muirfield Pl

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Account #

#### **CURRENT USAGE**

FELECTRIC	
Meter Reading Information	Meter #
Actual (R) kWh Reading on 1/25/22 Verified (V) kWh Reading on 12/27/21 Current kWh Usage Meter Multiplier	834 353 481 1
Metered kWh Usage	481

#### **CURRENT CHARGES**

FELECTRIC Rate	e: Residential Service
Basic Service Charge (\$0.53 x 29 Days)	15.37
Energy Charge (\$0.09699 x 481 kWh)	46.65
Electric DSM (\$0.00083 x 32 kWh)	0.03
Electric DSM (\$0.00086 x 449 kWh)	0.39
Fuel Adjustment (\$0.00293 x 481 kWh)	1.41
Economic Relief Surcredit (\$-0.00068 x 481 k	(Wh) -0.33
Environmental Surcharge (2.740% x \$63.52)	1.74
Home Energy Assistance Fund Charge	0.30
Total Charges	\$65.56

#### **Taxes & Fees**

1.96
2.61
\$4.57

#### **BILLING INFORMATION**

Late Payment Charge

Late Charge to be Assessed After Due Date

#### **Rate Schedules**

For a copy of your rate schedule, visit lge-ku.com/rates or call our Customer Service Department.

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#### **BILLING SUMMARY**

Previous Balance	50.81
Payment(s) Received	-50.81
Balance as of 5/28/21	\$0.00
Current Electric Charges	45.47
Current Taxes and Fees	3.17
Total Current Charges as of 5/28/21	\$48.64
Total Amount Due	\$48.64

#### Mailed 6/1/21 for Account #

\$48.64

AMOUNT DUE

Online or phone payments made before 7 pm ET will be posted same day Account Name: VICTOR LINN MOLLETT

DUE DATE

6/23/21

22.18 5.51 0.36 -0.99 1.15 0.30 \$45.47

3837 Muirfield PI LEXINGTON KY
lge-ku.com
(859) 255-0394, press 1-2-3 24 hours a day; \$2.00 fee
(859) 255-0394
M-F, 7am-7pm ET
1 Quality Street
Lexington, KY 40507
M-F, 9am-5pm ET

Next read will occur 6/22/21 - 6/24/21 (Meter Read Portion 16)

	Number	Read Date	Previous Reading	Current Read Date	Current Reading	Read Code*	Meter Multiplier	Usage kWh	Demand (kW)
WhOFF		4/26/21	15749	5/28/21	16134	R	1	385	
<b>WhON</b>		4/26/21	707	5/28/21	727	R	1	20	
<b>WhTOT</b>		4/26/21	16456	5/28/21	16862	R	1	406	
W-BS		4/26/21		5/28/21	6.8120	R	1		6.8
W-PK		4/26/21		5/28/21	0.3040	R	1		0.3
							Total Usage	405	

Basic Service Charge (\$0.53 x 32 Days)
Off-Peak Energy Charge (\$0.0576 x 385 kWh)
On-Peak Energy Charge (\$0.27542 x 20 kWh)
Electric DSM (\$0.00088 x 405 kWh)
Fuel Adjustment (\$-0.00244 x 405 kWh)
Environmental Surcharge (2.610% x \$44.02)
Home Energy Assistance Fund Charge
Total Charges

Please return only this portion with your payment. Make checks payable to KU and write your account number on your check.

Amount Due 6/23/21	\$48.64
After Due Date, Pay this Amount:	\$50.10
WinterCare Donation:	
Total Amount Enclosed:	AUTOPAY

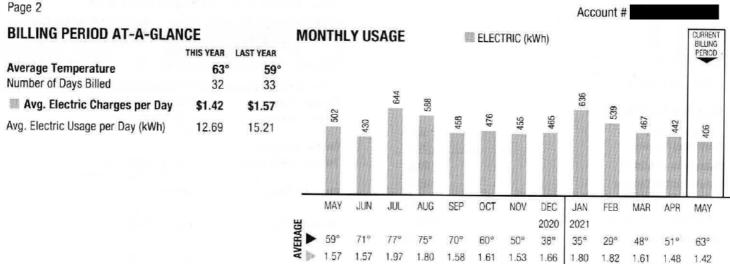
\$48.64 will be deducted from your account on payment due date



a PPL company PO Box 25212 Lehigh Valley, PA 18002-5212 Account # Service Address: 3837 Muirfield PI

#214800002 5# 0000002 VICTOR LINN MOLLETT 3837 MUIRFIELD PL LEXINGTON, KY 40509-2110

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Taxes & Fees	
Rate Increase For School Tax (3.00% x \$45.17)	1.36
Franchise Fee-Lexington-Fayette (4.00% x \$45.17)	1.81
Total Taxes and Fees	\$3.17
BILLING INFORMATION	

Late Payment Charge Late Charge to be Assessed After Due Date \$1.46

**Explanation of Meter Reading Codes** 

Meter Read Codes: R - Actual Read; V - Verified Read; E - Estimated Read; S - Self Read

**Rate Schedules** 

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- View your usage history

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