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Dear Commissioners', Chandler, Hatton, and Regan,

I support the initiative to increase solar generation to 4,200MW capacity, <u>before</u> the PSC approves the two new gas turbines requested by LGE-KU in their Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) case 2022-00402.

Climate change is a real, immediate danger. June is the warmest month on record and the last three days are the warmest days on record. For the sake of our children and grandchildren, we cannot ignore the problem. LG&E's proposal to create two new fossil fuel turbines is in direction opposition to the IPCC's insistence that we must cease creating new fossil fuel projects. There are better alternatives immediately available in solar generation.

A great deal can be said about the costs, both in construction and in future maintenance. We must surely recognize that LG&E wants to create an asset which will be stranded in the future. We cannot afford such an asset. Kentucky is last in producing power thru solar or wind. Surely we can begin to correct that.

As a person of faith who cares deeply for the future of our planet and all the creatures who inhabit it, I plead that you do not approve the wasteful expansion of fossil fuels.

Hopefully, Margaret