

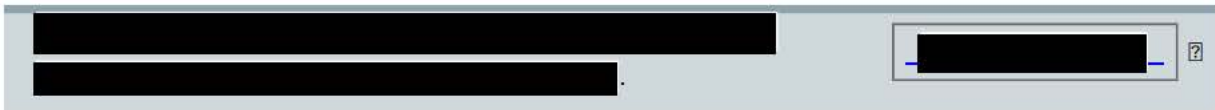
From: [PSC Public Comment](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Public Comment Case #2025-00257
Date: Monday, December 15, 2025 8:31:00 AM

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From: Chet Sygiel [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2025 9:56 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment Case #2025-00257



Dear Public Service Commission,

I am against your recent request for a 15% rate hike when American Electric Power's profit totalled almost three billion dollars for its shareholders last year. For many years, I believe Kentucky Power offered its customers energy audits to help reduce the use of electricity to avoid the company having to build new power plants. Whatever happened to programs like that which aimed at conserving energy instead of encouraging more use. I think the quality of Kentucky Power's electric service is fine for those of us in Jackson, Kentucky who are KPC customers. I fail to see, though, the need for rate increases every few years when there is little or no attempt to help your customers reduce the amount of energy we consume. Thank you.

Chet Sygiel
[REDACTED], Jackson, KY, US, 41339

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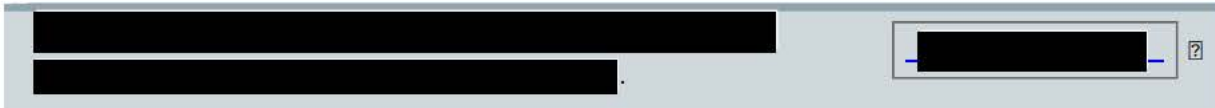
From: [PSC Public Comment](#)
To: ["Freddie Lewis"](#)
Subject: RE: AEP rate change comment
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From: Freddie Lewis [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2025 1:26 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: AEP rate change comment



From: Freddie Lewis, District 3 Commissioner

To the Kentucky Public Service Commission,

My name is **Freddie Lewis**, and I serve as the District 3 Commissioner in Pike County, Kentucky. I'm writing on behalf of myself and the many families I represent who are struggling under the weight of Kentucky Power/AEP's high electric bills.

Out here in Pike County, people are doing everything they can just to get by. We've lost industry, jobs, and population over the years, and that leaves our remaining residents carrying more and more of the cost for basic services. Every new rate increase or extra surcharge hits our people directly, and many simply cannot afford it anymore.

I hear from folks every week who are choosing between paying their power bill, buying medicine, or putting food on the table. That is not how it should be in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

One of the biggest concerns I have is that our region keeps being asked to pay for expenses and transmission projects outside eastern Kentucky. That feels unfair and out of balance, especially when many of those costs don't improve service or reliability here

at home. Our community shouldn't be footing the bill for decisions made far away that provide us little benefit.

I'm asking the Commission to please look out for Pike County and the rest of eastern Kentucky. We need fair, reasonable rates that match our economic reality. We need transparency on what we're being charged for. And most importantly, we need a stop to constant increases that our people simply cannot absorb. This all started during the war on coal and tearing down our coal fired plant in Ashland, now we the citizens have to pay for all the fall out cost and transformation of the plant years later. Very unfair and shameful to be held hostage for a decision we were against from the beginning, not to even mention the job loss that decision created. The bottom line is the political powers and companies created this crisis years ago and the people are in major distress over it.

Please consider the daily hardships these bills are creating for the families, seniors, and working people in my district and across this region.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Freddie Lewis

District 3 Commissioner, Pike County, Kentucky

Sent from my iPhone

From: [PSC Public Comment](#)
To: [Hillerman, Logan C \(KSP\)](#)
Subject: RE: Concern Regarding Rising Electric Costs and Community Impact in Eastern Kentucky
Date: Monday, December 15, 2025 8:32:00 AM

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From: Hillerman, Logan C (KSP) [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2025 2:39 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Concern Regarding Rising Electric Costs and Community Impact in Eastern Kentucky

To the Kentucky Public Service Commission,

My name is Detective Logan Hillerman, Unit 703, with the Kentucky State Police at Post 9 in Pikeville. I am writing to express serious concern regarding the recent and ongoing increases in electric rates charged by Kentucky Power/AEP, and the significant impact these costs are having on the citizens in our region.

Eastern Kentucky is home to many hardworking families who are already struggling to meet basic financial obligations. The continued rise in utility costs is placing an additional and unsustainable burden on households with limited income. As a law enforcement officer working directly with this community, I see firsthand how financial stress can escalate into broader public-safety issues.

When families are unable to afford essential utilities, the strain can contribute to mental-health challenges and an increased sense of hopelessness. Likewise, financial desperation often correlates with a rise in property crimes such as theft, burglary, and related offenses. These are not abstract concerns—these are real circumstances affecting the people we serve every day.

I respectfully ask the Commission to thoroughly evaluate the necessity and justification of these rate increases, consider the long-term impact on vulnerable families, and explore possible measures to mitigate further financial hardship on the residents of Eastern

Kentucky. Any relief or oversight the Commission can provide would be invaluable in helping stabilize our communities and safeguard public well-being.

Thank you for your time, attention, and continued commitment to the people of Kentucky. Please feel free to contact me if additional information is needed.

Det. Logan Hillerman, Unit 703

Kentucky State Police

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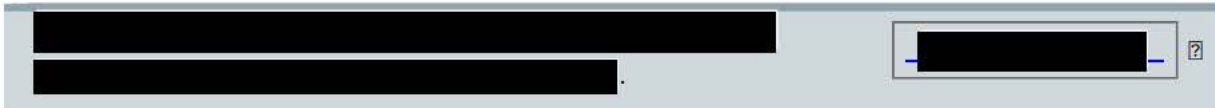
From: [PSC Public Comment](#)
To: [Kimberly Slone](#)
Subject: RE: Electric bill
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From: Kimberly Slone [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2025 4:57 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Electric bill



To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to formally express grave concerns regarding the operational and billing practices of the local power utility serving Pike County, Kentucky. These issues represent a significant financial burden and source of frustration for many residents, particularly those with limited or fixed incomes.

It has come to my attention, and is a widely held sentiment among residents, that recent increases in utility costs appear to coincide with reports of employee compensation adjustments within the company. This raises significant questions about cost transparency and the justification for passing such operational expenses directly onto consumers, especially in a region already facing economic challenges.

A primary source of public dissatisfaction stems from the recent implementation of new metering infrastructure. Residents did not explicitly request these installations, and there is a strong perception that the associated costs are being unfairly levied upon ratepayers, creating a long-term financial obligation that was neither clearly communicated nor adequately justified.

The cumulative effect of these rising costs is placing an intolerable burden on the

residents of Pike County. Many individuals are now confronting the difficult decision of prioritizing essential necessities such as food and medication over utility payments, severely impacting their quality of life and ability to provide for their families, particularly during festive seasons. This situation is further exacerbated by the widespread belief that current pricing models disproportionately contribute to the financial benefit of corporate executives, rather than ensuring affordable and equitable service for the community.

Furthermore, residents observe a concerning disparity in utility expenses, including both electricity and related services like gas, when compared to neighboring areas. It is difficult to justify why Pike County residents should consistently bear a higher financial burden for comparable services provided in adjacent counties. This suggests a potential lack of equitable pricing or operational efficiency that warrants examination.

Given these profound concerns, I urge your office to initiate a thorough and immediate investigation into the practices of the power utility operating in Pike County, Kentucky. We request full transparency regarding their financial operations, cost allocation strategies, and the necessity and justification for current billing rates. We seek a resolution that ensures fair, affordable, and just utility services for all residents, rather than continually burdening the most vulnerable segments of our population. It is imperative that this situation is addressed promptly to alleviate the severe economic strain on our community.

Thank you for your urgent attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,
Kimberly Slone

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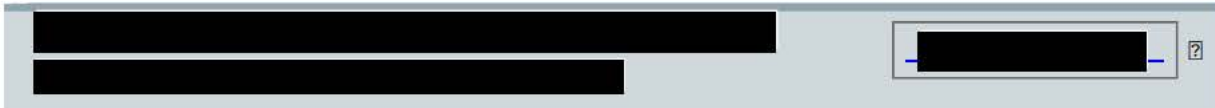
From: [PSC Public Comment](#)
To: ["Danishai Casey"](#)
Subject: RE: AEP High Costs
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From: Danishai Casey [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2025 6:07 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: AEP High Costs



Hello, my name is Danishai Casey. I live in McCarr, Kentucky and I just want to share my story with how the high power bills AEP puts out is affecting your customers. A little background for me, I am a travel nurse who travels 2 hours to work, works a 12 hour shift, and drives 2 hours back home. I am hardly ever even home, I can swear to that! I do not leave lights on or unnecessary things running. I am a single mom with two kids, the father isn't involved at all. I am adopted and while my adoptive parents help babysit, they cannot help me financially either which is understandable in this economy and me being 30 years old I would never ask them for a penny. My power bill for this month is almost \$600. My rent is \$700. A power bill should NEVER be as much as rent is especially to be gone from home as much as I am. I really hope you read my story because I know others have it so much worse but I am a travel nurse "making the big bucks" and I am struggling to pay my monthly power bill. It doesn't add up, please do better by your citizens!!!! Enough is enough.

Thank you for your time,
I truly hope you read this.

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