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**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**Sent:** Friday, October 27, 2006 3:42 PM  
**To:** 'JANEWEITZE@HOTMAIL.COM'  
**Subject:** Case no 2006-00172 - Duke Energy

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Ms. Weitze:

Thank you for your comments regarding the application Duke Energy for a rate increase. Your comments will be placed into the case file for consideration by the Public Service Commission as it deliberates in this matter. For your future reference, the case number in this matter is 2006-00172.

Andrew Melnykovych  
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**From:** PSC - Public Information Officer  
**Sent:** Friday, October 27, 2006 2:52 PM  
**To:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**Subject:** FW: October 30th Hearing on Duke Energy Electric Rate Increase

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**From:** Jane Weitze[SMTP:JANEWEITZE@HOTMAIL.COM]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 27, 2006 2:51:24 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer  
**Subject:** October 30th Hearing on Duke Energy Electric Rate Increase  
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Sirs: Duke Energy does not deserve the electric rate increase it is asking for. The old Union LH&P should be sold to Kentucky Utilities and not an out-of-state company! KU electric rate for Lexington is .04720 per KWH and LG&E is .05955 per KWH. Why should Duke get .081299 per KWH? As stated in the Cincinnati Enquirer, Duke gives lousy electric service to Ryland Heights, Morning View, Visalia, Piner, and Fairview. Cinergy had to be bought out in 2006 by Duke because of poor management, and yet in 2005 Cinergy had a record net income of \$490 million, 22 percent over 2004, and gave its CEO, Michael Cyrus, \$9.2 million. The people of Northern Kentucky already pay higher prices for housing, insurance, taxes, and gasoline than the rest of the state. We do not get to choose a natural gas provider under Duke as the citizens of Cincinnati and Lexington do. Friends of ours here in Highland Heights had their Duke June gas bill doubled because Duke didn't have anyone to read the meter in their area, so the bill was "estimated" and they were expected to pay it. Duke could have sent them a card for them to read their own meter. Natural gas prices have fallen, but I'm sure that ours here under Duke will not fall this winter. Duke is not to be trusted as they have already lied to the people of Northern Kentucky when they took over Cinergy and promised not to raise our rates. Please stop them. Sincerely,  
Jane K. Weitze, 201 Ridge Hill Dr. Highland Heights, KY 41076

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