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Stop American  
Electric Power  
Rate Increase

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Executive Director  
KY Public Service Commission  
PO Box 615  
Frankfort KY 40602-0615

RE: CASE NO. 2009-00459  
PROPOSED RATE INCREASE FOR KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY (KPCo)

Dear Executive Director:

Recently I received the NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY (KPCo) detailing the proposed rate increases for electric service to customers served by Kentucky Power Company.

These are hard economic times for my family. The continually rising cost of food and living expenses is overwhelming. Job security is a thing of the past. To make matters even worse, there is no remedy in sight.

People who live on a low, fixed, monthly income are already stretched to the limits and barely get by on their meager, monthly income. The Social Security Administration did not give an annual increase in monthly benefits for the year 2010. Our elderly and disabled people cannot afford to pay higher electric bills.

The winter months are especially tough for everyone. Without a doubt, the proposed rate increase would leave many families unable to heat their homes. Allowing a rate increase will make a bad situation even worse.

The proposed rate increase by Kentucky Power Company would present a great hardship to my family as well as thousands of other families who are already struggling to get by in these terrible economic times. I ask that you please deny the request of Kentucky Power Company for a rate increase.

Most Sincerely,

*Betty Smallwood*

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