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Kentucky Public Service Commission  
Attn: Executive Director Jeff DeRouen  
P. O. Box 615  
Frankfort, KY 40602


Re: LG&E/KU Rate Increase  
Case Number 2009-00549

It is an outrage to burden consumers with the requested increase, especially in today's economy. To increase the basic rate for all alike is not a fair distribution. Those on limited income, primarily the seniors, would be hit the hardest. I would suggest that if there will be any increase in the basic fee, it be based on a flat percentage of the consumers' consumption. That way it is a fair distribution among the customers.

But I question the need for any increase at all. Just recently I read in LG&E's monthly letter that they contributed millions to the community. I fully understand that they are supporting different causes. But the customers are the ones that have made this possible. I don't think that this company needs to give away great sums of money and then turn around to collect more when they could reduce their contributions. Many citizens are in the same situation and have to reduce spending due to a decrease of income which can not keep up with the increase of expenses.

The requested increase by E.ON is unfair. Please don't allow this increase to be voted in. It will have an enormous negative impact on too many families and our community.

Sincerely,



Ursula Eckstein

PS. Just a thought. All customers provide their own connection to the building from the main LG&E line. We don't charge LG&E to enable the company to use this connection enabling them to sell their services. Without this connection, there would be no sale to the company. The customers bear the expense to keep this connection serviceable.