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RE: Case No. 2012-00221 – Opposition to **Kentucky Utilities'** Proposed Rate
Increases and Improper Structure

Dear Commissioners:

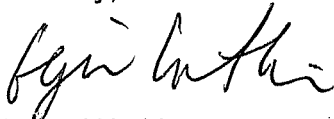
As a customer of KU and a business owner focusing on the design and retrofit of low-energy buildings, I oppose KU's proposed increase of the monthly service charge.

This proposal is unjust in that it skews the economics of conservation and renewable energy. It will act as a disincentive, making it significantly less affordable for home owners and business to invest in energy efficiency or renewable energy for their own buildings. If the KU proposal were to be allowed, it would unnecessarily push our economy further into heavy dependence on energy, thus putting it at risk.

KU's proposal to raise the monthly service charge by over 50% (from \$8.50 to \$13.00) will disproportionately affect small users, such as those who use energy sparingly, including low-income and elderly households. Any rate increase should be by the kWh rather than the monthly service charge.

In short, KU's proposed allocation is bad public policy. A public utility with a grant of monopoly and guaranteed profit should not employ such a pricing structure. I pray the Commission will not allow it, either after hearing or in any proposed settlement.

Sincerely,



Ginger Watkins
Certified Passive House Consultant, BPI Building Analyst, HERS Rater, LEED AP^{BD+C}

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Yours truly,

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Address:

Delinda L. Baker
507 Avondale Ave.
Middlesboro, Ky. 40965

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Ruby Sutton
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Lynch, Ky 40855

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Carolyn Partin
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Yours truly, *Jennifer Bauer*

Name: *Jennifer Bauer*

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Address:

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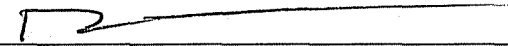
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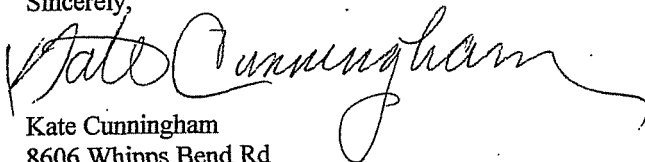
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I am writing in opposition to the proposed increase in monthly service charge for each customer. I understand the proposed increase is from \$8.50 to \$13.00 per month. Such a flat rate increase does nothing to encourage energy conservation.

I personally have spent many thousands of dollars at my home, to increase insulation and replace drafty windows, door and refrigerator. I even recently replaced my entire HVAC system, to boost energy efficiency at my home. Many other ratepayers have taken similar measures. The fair way to charge for energy volumetric pricing, that is, charging for the energy used. Your proposed increase in monthly service charge constitutes a flat tax that falls the same on the energy misers as well as on the energy guzzlers.

Please include my comments in the record for the above cases. I am an LG&E customer, as you can tell from my address below. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Kate Cunningham
8606 Whipps Bend Rd
Louisville KY 40222

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Patricia Kimsey
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Address:

Mary D. Moyers
416 S. 37th Street
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Date: 11-14-12

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C 205 Dubenbury Way
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Middlesboro, KY
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909 Junction Apts
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Address:

Cathy Rich Brock *Cathy Rich Brock*

1205 Gloucester Avenue

P. O. Box 1507

Middlesboro, KY 40965

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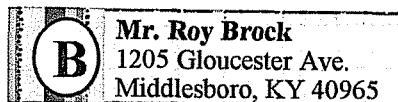
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Roy H. Brock

Name:

Address:

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