To: "Andrew Kang Bartlett"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:18:20 PM

Dear Mr. Bartlett:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Andrew Kang Bartlett

Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov

Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 12:23 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Subject: Regarding the Rate Restructure

Hello,

In regards to the proposed rate restructure (2014-00372) I strongly oppose it because it doesn't include incentives to save energy at a time when that is critical for our world.

Please do not pass this!

Thank you.

Andrew Kang Bartlett 203 Cornell Place, Louisville 40207

To: "Dan Borsch"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:20:00 PM

#### Dear Mr. Borsch:

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From: Dan Borsch

**Sent:** Thursday, April 16, 2015 11:37 AM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer **Subject:** case number 2014-00372

#### To whom it May Concern:

I do not support the proposed changes to the billing of meter fees. I am a small business owner and resident of Louisville Metro.

Sincerely,

Daniel Borsch 1450 S. Brook St. Louisville, KY 40208

To: "Eric Brown"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:20:24 PM

#### Dear Mr. Brown:

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From: Eric Brown

**Sent:** Thursday, April 16, 2015 11:09 AM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case Related Comment or Question #2014-00372

I would like to submit my opposition to the proposal to raise fixed meter rates.

Continuing to raise meter fees places a disproportionate financial burden on the poor, those on fixed incomes, and others who need or want to limit their energy use. By increasing the fixed fees, those who use less energy pay a higher effective rate than those who use more energy.

Utility companies that need to recover operating costs should do so by raising rates for all customers, by implementing a tiered rate, or by implementing peak demand rates. This will enable all customers to have more control over how much pay for energy every month.

Sincerely,

Eric Brown 40203

To: "Ray Brundige"

Subject: your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:58:11 PM

Dear Mr. Brundige:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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From: Ray Brundige [

**Sent:** Friday, April 17, 2015 5:31 PM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case Related Comment or Question (#2014-00372)

#### PSC -

I ask you to reject the proposed increases in fixed meter charges for residential customers.

- They are regressive, hitting hardest those who can afford it least.
- They act against residential efforts to gain energy efficiency.

Thank you.



"Carter, Star" To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:15:06 PM

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Dear Ms. Carter:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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From: Carter, Star

Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 2:52 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer **Subject:** NO to the increase

Please do not raise our bill any more.

#### **Star Carter**

**Customer Service Representative** 



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To: "Jean Christensen"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:46:12 PM

#### Dear Ms. Christensen:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Jean Christensen [

Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 3:40 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Subject: case #2014=00372

To the Public Service Commission of Kentucky

REF: proposed increase in fixed meter rates by LG&E and KU

I am writing on behalf of the good people who are members of the St. George Episcopal Church located on 26th and Oak Streets in Louisville, Kentucky, who looked positively shocked and deeply worried when the proposed increase in fix meter rates for electricity and gas were announced from the lecturn. Of those present only one was less than 20 years old, the rest are middle-aged or elderly folks, whose demeanor reflected deep concern after the announcement.

This rate hike, which is meant to keep LG&E in good economic shape, will weigh heavily on the backs of the poor and less prosperous in our community. As one young woman said in response to one of the rationales given for the raise--to improve the return for the shareholders—"No-one has given me a raise!"

Those folks who have contrived in all kinds of ways (adjusting thermostats, installing insulation, taking fewer and much shorter showers—which they all admit are good common-

sense moves in the face of climate change) to lower their consumption in face of rising costs, have no recourse in this case. They might have to resort to accepting "free food" as that young woman said she had so far been able to avoid.

This is pure and simple economic injustice. LG&E should be setting into place plans for a transition to a time when solar energy (and perhaps other kinds of energy generation) is the norm. They should be figuring out how they will interface with the new developments in order to provide essential services when that time comes. Now is not the time to retrench and take money from people who can ill afford to part with it in order to shore up their old ways and means of operation.

I hope that the Public Service Commission will do its job and protect people from the power of what is essentially a monopoly.

Jean Christensen 1465 S. 2nd St Louisville, KY 40208

To:

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:48:07 PM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

Dear Ms. Brown:

Your comments to the members of the PSC in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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From: Christina Lee Brown [

Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 4:08 PM

**To:** Gardner, Jim (PSC) **Cc:** Virginia Lee

Subject: do not approve Case 2014-000372 - insist on a healthier Kentucky

RE: Case 2014-000372

Dear Jim,

I'm writing to urge you and the other commissioners not to approve LG&E's request to shift more of its fixed costs onto its meter fees.

Those costs have not changed meaningfully, certainly not enough to justify its

proposed 200% hike in its gas meter fee (from \$8.50 to \$19), much less its proposed 360% jump in its electric meter fee (from \$5 to \$18), respectively, since 2009.

Continuing this trend of higher meter fees would have detrimental implications for consumers who installed energy efficiency measures, solar photovoltaic panels and solar water heaters—or are considering those job-creating investments.

I am very concerned about the urgent need to improve public health by creating healthier air, water and soil. I am especially concerned that my nine beautiful grandchildren inherit a healthy planet, and strive to serve as an example of what we all can do to leave a better world for my, your and all of our grandchildren.

I have been making hefty investments into my home's energy efficiency. My new geothermal wells under my driveway and the related equipment are heating and cooling my home and heating my water with a fraction of the fossil fuels I once required. LG&E's proposed rate restructuring would undercut the returns and lengthen the paybacks on those investments.

It would be different if energy efficiency and renewable energy sources didn't help to clean our air, cool our planet and create jobs that cannot be exported overseas. But given that they do, approving the proposed rate restructuring would be regressive for Kentucky.

My hope is to meet my remaining electrical needs via solar panels. However, the orientation, construction and landscaping of my home aren't right for them. I own acreage next door, but LG&E won't let me install panels there, run the power into the meter for that tract and apply the credits to the meter serving my home. I am exploring installing poles up the steep, rocky hill between them at my expense.

A basic philosophical tenet says things do go well when we allow rights and responsibilities to become imbalanced. Were you to conclude that current utility law requires you to liberalize the utilities' rights to attribute more of its expenses to its meter charges, I suggest that the PSC should balance that right by liberalizing customers' rights to those meters as well.

In other words, if I must pay more of LG&E's fixed costs for the privilege of having its meter on my property, I believe that I should have the right to use that meter to facilitate my efforts to shift to solar power. Please consider ordering LG&E to apply credit for power fed into one meter to another when one customer pays the bills for both meters.

Please join me in creating a healthier, more sustainable Kentucky.

Most Sincerely,

Christina Lee Brown



#### Christina Lee Brown

Together let's preserve our World's Sacred Air, Water, and Soil, so as to create the healthy communities that are essential for the survival of all of

Life!

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To: "Cassandra Culin"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:45:43 PM

Dear Ms. Culin:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Cassandra Culin

Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 4:55 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case #2014-00372, LG&E General Rates

Comment on Case #2014-00372, LG&E General Rates:

Please deny LG&E's request to restructure its rates to increase meter fees and lower usage rates. At a time when we MUST conserve power to combat climate change, and to save money for all energy users, this gives the absolutely wrong message. Lowering usage rates, encourages customers to use more energy for the same cost, as it penalizes everyone who tries to conserve by raising the meter rate.

My husband and I recently invested substantially in insulating our house to conserve energy and lower our energy bills. Our house is much more comfortable, and we are pleased to have done something that will make a difference. It is disheartening to hear that LG&E wants to charge us higher meter fees, just as we are making progress conserving, and possibly discourage people from making this kind of investment in the future.

Please take the important step of rejecting this request by LG&E to restructure fees, and start encouraging practices that will help increase renewable energy usage in Kentucky. This is crucially important to every citizen of the state, the country, and of the world. Kentucky should be a LEADER in this effort, not move

backward.

Thank you for considering my concerns,

Cassandra A. Culin 185 N. Bellaire Ave. Louisville, KY 40206 From: PSC - Public Information Officer
To: "Sarah Lynn Cunningham"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:59:19 PM

#### Dear Ms. Cunningham:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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From: On Behalf Of Sarah Lynn Cunningham

Sent: Friday, April 17, 2015 3:32 PM

To: Dave.Armstrong@ky.gov; Gardner, Jim (PSC); Logsdon, Dan (PSC)

Cc: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)

Subject: Case 2014-00372, Formal Comments from the Louisville Climate Action Network

## Dear Commissioners,

# (In case you'd rather not open the attached letter, I've copied our comments regarding the subject case below.)

The Louisville Climate Action Network currently consists of 13 community groups, seven forprofit businesses, six churches and religious organizations, two educational institutions, and hundreds of individual Kentuckians.

We urge you <u>not</u> to approve of restructuring LG&E's rates as proposed, for the following reasons:

For decades, utilities have passed some of their fixed costs onto their ratepayers via meter fees. However, those costs have not changed so radically since 2009 as to justify what would be a 200% hike in LG&E's gas meter fee, much less a 360% jump in its electric meter fee.

Besides that \$37/month before ever turning on a light bulb would be unreasonably burdensome on lower-income households, continuing this trend of higher meter fees would have detrimental implications for consumers who have installed energy efficiency measures, solar photovoltaic panels and solar water heaters—or are considering those job-creating investments. When calculating the payback and return on investment, say, on insulating an attic or buying a more efficient furnace, customers rightly count only reductions in usage costs. In effect, the proposed reduction in electric usage rates would undercut efficiency efforts.

Customers who install solar panels with a net-metering agreement are seeing the return on their investments diminish and payback periods, lengthened. (We have read that some utilities claim that rate restructuring protects customers without solar panels from subsidizing customers with them. In reality, net-metered customers feed excess power into the utilities' grids during the day when overall customer demand is high, and draw power when overall demand is low. Thus, net-metered customers help to level demand, helping utilities to operate more efficiently and cost effectively.)

Kentucky soon will be required to reduce our emissions of carbon pollution by 18%, per USEPA's enforcement of the Clean Air Act. **Energy efficiency and renewable energy sources are the cheapest, cleanest and fastest alternatives.** In addition to a more stable climate, Kentuckians will reap long lasting economic benefits. Utility bills will be lower and thousands of jobs will be created throughout the state. The significance of the health benefits of reduced air pollution cannot be overstated; healthcare costs will be reduced.

Governments create natural, regulated monopolies to provide essential utilities or services to communities where market mechanisms would be impractical. However, that concept does not imply that enabling authorities should protect monopolies from alternatives, such as energy efficiency and renewables. We see this proposed rate restructuring as a utility effort to retard the alternatives we desperately need to employ, especially rooftop, decentralized solar energy.

In short, this proposed restructuring seems much more about ensuring the profits of monopolies than about fairness toward customers, much less about working toward a cleaner, healthier and more sustainable Kentucky. Please ensure that any restructuring of utility rates promotes, not retards, the further adoption of energy efficiency measures and renewable energy.

Were you to conclude that current Kentucky law requires you to liberalize the utilities' rights to attribute more of its expenses to its meters, we ask you to liberalize customers' rights of those meters as well. Many more customers would install photovoltaic panels, but for restrictions in the current net-metering rules. As it has been interpreted to date, utilities simply refuse to apply credit for excess solar power feeding into one meter to offset the bills assessed on another meter, even when both meters serve the same customer, on the same property or contiguous properties.

Cooperatively,

## Sarah Lynn Cunningham, Director Louisville Climate Action Network

To: "Sam S. Keeton"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:59:50 PM

#### Dear Mr. Keeton:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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From: Sam S. Keeton

Sent: Friday, April 17, 2015 2:35 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case Related Comment or Question #2014-00372

I am a Louisville resident and I am concerned about the Louisville Gas and Electric rate increase. My budget cannot afford a minimum \$18 increase. I do not have other energy suppliers to check prices against. Therefore, the monopoly is unfair against the customers. Please do not pass the rate increase. It unfair against consumers who have no other energy options.

Best,

Sam S. Keeton

To: "David Ernst"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:28:31 PM

#### Dear Mr. Ernst:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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From: David Ernst [

**Sent:** Friday, April 10, 2015 2:10 PM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

**Subject:** Case 2014-00372

Please refuse LG&Es most recent rate increase request. Nearly doubling the fixed fee is clearly unjustifiable from a public police standpoint and will unfairly impact our most vulnerable citizens.

Best Regards,

David Ernst Brown-Forman

To: "Kerk Fisher"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:56:46 PM

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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From: Kerk Fisher

**Sent:** Saturday, April 18, 2015 8:33 AM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

**Subject**: 2014-00372

Dear Public Service Commission:

Please do not allow LG&E to go forward with its proposed rate restructuring. This is a shameful proposal that will hurt low and fixed income people and it also seems like an attempt to discourage the movement toward renewable energy. Kentucky can be a progressive and compassionate state, a state that cares about its citizens and the environment. We put the welfare of the state in al of you on the Public Service Commission. Please do the right thing.

Thank you,

Dr. Kerk Fisher 908 Wicksbury Place Louisville, KY 40207 RECEIVED

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To: "Pat Greer"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:16:25 PM

#### Dear Ms. Greer:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

## Andrew Melnykovych

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From: Pat Greer [

Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 1:48 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Subject: case number: 2014-00372

Public Service Commission,

Please do not approve LG&E's proposed rate increase \$10.75 to \$18.00 per month.

Also do not approve the flat monthly fee for natural gas service from \$13.50 to \$19.00 per month.

It is not fair that citizens who are willing to use green technology will not be be able to benefit from using less energy.

We need to open the doors to clean technologies not discouraged them.

The rate hikes will adversely affect the financially disadvantaged.

Sincerely,

Pat Greer

To: "Lizzie Gulick"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:20:50 PM

#### Dear Ms. Gulick:

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From: Lizzie Gulick [m

Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 10:18 AM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer; Napier, Heather (KYOAG)

Subject: Case#2014-00372 LGE restucturing

As a paying customer in the Louisville metro, please understand that I am fully against LGE's rate restructure!! This corporate scheme is out of line with the current environmental reality and I urge you instead to create more education and awareness about energy usage and alternatives to coal and gas. We do not support this case. Sincerely,

Elizabeth Gulick

Sent from my iPhone

To: "Carl Hall"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:21:48 PM

Dear Mr. Hall:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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From: Carl Hall

**Sent:** Thursday, April 16, 2015 9:31 AM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case Related Comment or Question 2014-00372

I do not support LG&E's request to increase meter fees. Increases in costs should be applied to the cost of energy (charge per kWh of electricity or per CCF of natural gas supplied). LG&E's approach does not encourage conservation or energy efficiency measures that will ultimately allow the end user to have some control over his/her energy usage and cost.

Carl Hall 4718 Kitty Hawk Way Louisville, KY 40207

To: <u>"jill harmer"</u>

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:55:17 PM

Dear Ms. Harmer:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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From: jill harmer

Sent: Saturday, April 18, 2015 4:50 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: against Ige's rate structure change.

It hurts the poor and middle class did proportionally. Jill Harmer.

To: "Camille Helminski"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:17:53 PM

Dear Ms. Helminski:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

As you noted, the case number in this matter is 2014-00372. It would be helpful if you would please refer to it in any further correspondence.

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The application and other documents in this case are available at <a href="http://psc.kv.gov/PSC">http://psc.kv.gov/PSC</a> WebNet/ViewCaseFilings.aspx?Case=2014-00372

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Camille Helminski [

Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 12:28 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Subject: Please stop 2014-00372.

Re: Case 2014-00372.

Dear members of the Public Service Commission,

I write to urge the PSC to prohibit the request of LG&E to raise its base rate on electricity by 67%. This move is nothing less than an assault on all Kentuckians who are working against climate change by promoting energy conservation and the transition to renewable energy sources. Increasing the base rate rather than the cost of electric power removes all economic incentives to customers for both conserving energy and transitioning to alternative energy sources. Of course it also assigns the greatest hardship to low-income customers.

Please - we need the help of your commission to stop this ugly attack on the future!

Thank you for your consideration and awareness, Sincerely,
Camille Helminski

To: "Daniel Hofmann"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:50:09 PM

Dear Mr. Hofman:

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From: Daniel Hofmann

Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 1:20 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case Related Comment or Question (Case #2014-00372)

To Whom It May Concern:

Regarding Case #2014-00372, I believe it would be a terrible mistake if the Public Service Commission (PSC) allows utilities in Kentucky to increase their meter rates while lowering the cost per kilowatt-hour (kWh). This would weaken the fledgling solar industry in Kentucky by lowering the return on investment for solar installations. It would also be unfair to consumers that lower their kWh usage but are still paying a high utility bill due to the increased fixed cost of the monthly connection fee.

I launched RegenEn Solar in Louisville six years ago and have grown the company to five employees and annual revenues over \$1 million. If you vote yes on this case, we may be forced to lay some employees off and slow operations. This would be antithetical to creating a good business climate in Kentucky.

The solar industry nationally now employs twice as many workers as coal miners ( <a href="http://fortune.com/2015/01/16/solar-jobs-report-2014/">http://fortune.com/2015/01/16/solar-jobs-report-2014/</a>

), we can see the same type of economic boost in Kentucky if the right policies are put in

place.

Please do the right thing and vote NO on case #2014-00372.

Thanks,

Dan Hofmann President RegenEn Solar

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To: "Barry Horowitz"

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:45:04 PM

#### Dear Mr. Horowitz:

Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Barry Horowitz

Andrew.Melnvkovvch@kv.gov

**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2015 7:29 PM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case Related Comment: case #2014-00372

#### **Dear Commissioners:**

I am writing to request that you reject LG&E's requested rate hike, per case #2014-00373. I view the enormous rate hike to be counterproductive and not in the public interest: (a) it disadvantages the poorest ratepayers, especially those living either at the economic margins and those on fixed incomes, including many senior citizens; (b) it may discourage homeowners' from investing potentially scarce financial resources in measures to conserve energy; and (c) may function to discourage homeowners from investing in non-polluting renewable energy. The latter two operate in concert to require the continued production of energy from polluting, non-renewable resources, hence continuing to produce the resulting pollution of the environment and its attendant health effects, all of which conspire to cost Kentuckians yet more money in the end.

Sincerely, Barry R. Horowitz, Ph.D. P. O. Box 313 Prospect, KY 40059-0313

To: <u>"Freddie Hoskins"</u>

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2014-372 - LG&E rates

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:50:54 PM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Freddie Hoskins [mailto:freddiesailmystic@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2015 9:49 AM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Fwd: 2014-00372.

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From: **Freddie Hoskins** < 1 Date: Monday, April 20, 2015

Subject: 2014-00372.

To:

I'm writing this on behalf of my beloved Mother Earth. I don't understand why it's just so hard for humans to really understand that we must do everything we can to help the environment. This proposal will do just the opposite by making it even harder for people to feel inspired to insulate their homes or to install efficient light bulbs or support solar programs. I am astonished that LGE has actually mailed out new lightbulbs and mailed out ways to save energy but now they back this. It's despicable and shameful that they are sending these kind of mixed messages to the public. And probably most of the public won't even know about this horrible proposal until they are slammed with their higher bill. I can't even imagine how poor people who already have a hard time paying their LGE bill would manage.

Please don't approve this proposal. Please.....ultimately for our grandchildren.

Compassionately, Winifred Hoskins Louisville KY 40207 \*Honorable Kurt J Boehm Attorney at Law Boehm, Kurtz & Lowry 36 East Seventh Street Suite 1510 Cincinnati, OHIO 45202 \*Thomas J FitzGerald Counsel & Director Kentucky Resources Council, Inc. Post Office Box 1070 Frankfort, KENTUCKY 40602 \*Stefanie J Kingsley
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