To: "Joy Jamison"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:22:55 PM

#### Dear Ms. Jamison:

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: Joy Jamison

Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2015 9:00 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case 2014-00372

LG&E seeks to increase monthly residential basic service charge for electricity by 67% from \$10.75 to \$18.00 per month. The utility would also increase the flat monthly fee for natural gas service by more than 40% from \$13.50 to \$19.00 per month. So a residential customer would pay a minimum of \$37 per month, not including energy usage! In other words, the customer would have no ability to control that cost by lowering their energy use.

I sent you a letter earlier on this same topic. Please be a utility that benefits the public and tell LG&E no.

Joy Jamison 5311 Bartonfield Lane Louisville, KY 40219

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To separate 20 minutes from the day with silence and intention is to pray, even if there's no one to pray to. To step from the river of thought, to escape from monkey mind even for a moment, is to surrender to a transcendent realm. To be awakened to consciousness empty of content; to be thunderstruck by the mystery that there is something, rather than nothing; to be mindful, to be present; to be here, now: this is the road less traveled, the path of the pilgrim, the quest.

---Marty Kaplan, Wrestling with the Questions and Why It Matters So Much, from On Being with Krista Tippett

To: "Ellen M. Joyce"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:44:23 PM

Dear Ms. Joyce:

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From: Ellen M. Joyce [m

Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 9:43 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Cc: Claire McGowan; Allyson Ferry

Subject: Proposed increase in base rate LG&E and Kentucky Utilities

Increase by 67%! Please do not recommend this or approve it. I work with refugees for whom every dollar counts. Many/ most come from hot weather countries and do not understand even how to regulate their heat in the winter. Fear of the cold has them using heat probably more than they need.

As for the rest of us this rate may affect our measures to conserve power since EVERY MONTH it would be higher by 67%. People may think 'what's the use?'

And WHY is this increase being asked for? Surely it could be prorated over future years.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ellen Joyce, MD

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 Ms. Keeton:

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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: <u>"Avery Kolers"</u>

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:21:26 PM

Dear Mr. Kolers:

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov

From: Avery Kolers [

**Sent:** Thursday, April 16, 2015 10:18 AM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer **Subject:** Fwd: LG&E rate restructuring

Sorry, just to confirm, this is about case #2014-00372

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From: **Avery Kolers** 

Date: Thu, Apr 16, 2015 at 10:15 AM Subject: LG&E rate restructuring

To: psc.info@ky.gov

Dear Public Servants,

LG&E proposes to sharply raise base rates while reducing or holding steady the flat rate per CCF or kilowatt-hour. I strongly oppose this change.

This proposed change will subsidize LG&E's inefficient operations, while stopping ratepayers and small businesses from innovating and insulating our way into a more sustainable future.

I would like to propose an alternative: that the rate per kilowatt hour or CCF be time-selective to be highest during the day and lowest at night, and that the cost per unit of energy be scaled so as to rise with consumption -- the lowest consumers pay the lowest rate, the highest

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consumers, the highest rate.

LG&E is a private for-profit out-of-state corporation that is trying to take advantage of a monopoly that has been granted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky. If despite its monopoly it cannot operate this business profitably in a way that serves the interests of the people then it should not be in business. For-profit corporations have no right to profit or, for that matter, survival. On the other hand, we the people have a right to a safe, healthy, and clean environment for ourselves and our children.

Thank you for looking out for the interests of the people, not an out-of-state, for-profit corporation that profits from destroying our air, water, and land, and dumps its waste into our lungs.

Sincerely, Avery Kolers 1921 Deerwood Ave. Louisville, KY 40205

To: "Susan Kute"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:28:07 PM

### Dear Ms. Kute:

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From: Susan Kute [m

Sent: Monday, April 13, 2015 9:58 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case Related Comment or Question )case 2014-00372

Case 2014-00372

Dear commissioners

I am deeply disturbed about the proposed rate restructuring by LG&E.

My Dad worked for them for over 40 yrs and I have the utmost respect for the services they provide. However energy services are changing and we should all be thinking about the alternatives of wind & solar. We should be encouraging these sources . This rate change will be particularly damaging to solar energy customers and make it difficult for them to justify the expense of their systems.

Also from a compassionate standpoint this rate adjustment will particularly affect low income persons because of the high minimum monthly charges. It also will discourage conservation and it is generally accepted that lowering our energy use is critical to the health of the planet.

Please be bold and decisive and refuse this LG&E proposal.

Thank you Susan M Kute 2221 Douglass Blvd Louisville Ky 40205

Sent from my iPhone

To: "Abby Long"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:27:44 PM

### Dear Ms. Long:

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: Abby Long

Sent: Tuesday, April 14, 2015 1:04 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Subject: case # 2014-00372

I urge you to reject LG&E's latest rate increase. LG&E is asking to raise the fixed monthly fee by 67% (from \$10.75 to \$18.00 per month).

Besides having a lopsided impact on the people least able to afford it. it will reduce the incentive for people to invest in both energy efficiency and sustainable alternatives such as solar or wind power.

Thank you

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Abby Long
Brown-Forman Corporation
Research & Development
Work:
Mobile:

To: "Judy Lyons"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:24:44 PM

### Dear Ms. Lyons:

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: Judy Lyons [

Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2015 6:33 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Oppose LG&E Rate Restructure: 2014-00372

I wish to voice strong opposition to the proposed LG&E rate restructure. It is unfair to low and fixed income residents, discourages energy efficiency and is a disincentive to those who are considering renewable energy alternatives.

Please do not allow this plan to be implemented.

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Judy Lyons, Chair Cumberland Chapter Sierra Club

To: "Claire McGowan"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:23:20 PM

Dear Ms. McGowan:

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: Claire McGowan

Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2015 8:34 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Subject: 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!

Sister Claire Mc Gowan, OP

Claire McGowan OP
Executive Director
New Pioneers for a Sustainable Future
127 West Main Street
Springfield KY 40069

To: "jerome@louisville.edu"

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

Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:25:49 PM

Dear Mr. Neukirch:

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: jerome@louisville.edu

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2015 11:44 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case Related Comment or Question #2014-00372

LG&E's proposed hike in meter fees is both unconscionable and counter-productive. It punishes people trying to save energy. I am in the process of improving my home's insulation right now. I have spent a few hundred dollars already and plan to spend about a thousand more. I am trying to lower my bills next winter – as no doubt many others are doing after these last two harsh winters and LG&E is trying to thwart our efforts. I urge you to deny their outrageous request.

Regards,

Jerome Neukirch Circulation Assistant Law Library Brandeis School of Law University of Louisville

To: "Wassie Parrott"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:15:41 PM

Dear Mr. & Ms. Parrott:

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From: Wassie Parrott [m

Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 1:54 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Subject: Case Number 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.

William S. Parrott and Theresa N. Parrott

Sent from my iPad

To: "Riddle, Penny"

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

Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:27:14 PM

Dear Ms. Riddle:

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: Riddle, Penny

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2015 2:03 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer

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

To Whom It May Concern,

I find these rate increases to be totally unfair. First of all, with all of the "utility" rate increases we, the public, have to endure each year, my salary goes down. How long has it been since I got a raise like these increases? How about never? They never want to help the people, only themselves. All we hear is how they receive very large bonuses and pay raises.

I tend to hear about issues this causes senior citizens, but what about single income homes? I am a single mother and diligently try to make every cent stretch. This task can be very hard when necessities continue to go up at enormous rates.

Thanks for your time, Penny Riddle

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To: "Judy Schroeder"

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

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Dear Ms. Schroeder:

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From: Judy Schroeder [

**Sent:** Thursday, April 16, 2015 5:47 AM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case Related Comment or Question case #2014-00372

Don't do it! Don't be so short sighted and coal friendly! We NEED energy conservation and this rate structure penalizes everything that we're accomplishing at home. It's not fair and it's not patriotic, and makes me mad as hell. People in my neighborhood in West Louisville live on so little, and we work so hard with groups like Project Warm and New Directions Housing to help people SAVE energy and SAVE on their energy bills, and then you come up with new ideas like higher meter fees to get poor people's money.

Judy Schroeder 2711 W Main St Louisville, KY 40212

To: "John Scruton"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:51:27 PM

#### Dear Mr. Scruton:

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: John Scruton

**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2015 8:15 AM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Case Related Comment or Question #2014-00372

### Dear Public Service Commission:

I urge you to resist LG&E's effort to increase meter fees. Shifting more of the cost of the system to meter fees discourages conservation efforts as well as efforts to move toward solar power. It would be taking us in the wrong direction.

Thanks for your consideration

-- John Scruton

To: "Susan Simpson"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:19:23 PM

#### Dear Ms. Simpson:

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From: Susan Simpson

Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 12:12 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Subject: 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%.(Case #: 2014-00372) 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.

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Susan H. Simpson

To: "Dustin Strong"

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

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

Dear Mr. Strong:

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: Dustin Strong [

Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2015 6:56 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Subject: Case # 2014-00372

To: Public Services Commission

I am very much opposed to the dramatic rate hikes that are planed by LG&E/KU. Even though LG&E promoted energy audits to help homeowners reduce their energy consumption, the greed of this company has inspired them to raise rates to unreasonable proportions.

Please give the proposed rate increases all possible scrutiny.

Thank you, Dustin Strong Louisville, Kentucky Case # 2014-00372 **RECEIVED** 

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To: "Greg Tichenor"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:14:16 PM

Dear Mr. Tichenor:

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: Greg Tichenor

**Sent:** Thursday, April 16, 2015 8:34 PM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

**Subject**: 2014-00372

To whom it may concern:

I am against LG&E's rate restructure proposed in case number: 2014-00372!

Sincerely, Greg Tichenor 10108 Cave Creek Road Louisville, KY 40223

To: "Aaron Tornes"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:17:19 PM

#### Dear Mr. Tornes:

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From: Aaron Tornes

Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 12:34 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer Subject: LG&E Rate Restructuring

Dear PSC.

I am a resident of Kentucky and I have worked with elderly, disable and low-income households on improving their energy efficiency through a variety of ways since I moved to the Bluegrass State 5 years ago.

LG&E's proposed rate restructuring plan brings me sorrow as I think about the thousands of families, that are already strapped for money, that will carry the burden of a near \$40 service charge for their electric and gas utilities. This cost does not even include the cost of usage.

This flat increase on service charges hurts the poor and most vulnerable in our communities hardest. It also undermines the opportunity for families to reduce their energy bills through conservation and efficiency.

If LG&E needs more revenue then it should be sourced through increased rate charge per kWh and ccf. Not only will this produce the funds they need to raise capital for new and existing infrastructure but it will also promote a lean and more efficient energy grid. Furthermore, higher rates for fossil fuel energy will more accurately reflect the true costs associated with

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these fuel types and make renewable energy sources like wind and solar more competitive. It is imperative that Kentucky begin to take significant strides into the energy sources of tomorrow. Let's all remember that the day we switch to renewable energy is the day we no longer run the risk of running out of fuel.

Please, as a compassionate and reasonable group of people and as my fellow Kentucky neighbors, reject this proposed rate restructuring plan for one that is just, designed for those struggling the most among us and looks towards a better and brighter future for the commonwealth.

Sincerely,

Aaron Tornes

522 E. Brandeis Louisville, KY 40217

To: "Diane Traffas"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 12:56:07 PM

#### Dear Ms. Traffas:

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.

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: Diane Traffas

**Sent:** Saturday, April 18, 2015 12:04 PM **To:** PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Kentucky Pulic Service Commission

### Dear Senator McConnell,

I am sending you this message today to plead with you to prohibit the request of LG&E to raise its base rate on electricity by 67%. This move seems like nothing less than an assault on your fellow 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, as usual, it also assigns the greatest hardship to low-income customers. Please, Mr. McConnell, we need your help to stop this commission from making this ugly attack on our future.

Very sincerely,

Sister Diane Traffas St. Catharine Motherhouse

St. Catharine KY 40061

To: "Jane Walsh"

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:16:50 PM

Dear Ms. Walsh:

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From: Jane Walsh

Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2015 1:43 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer
Subject: Comment on Case #2014-00372

To Whom It May Concern,

Please add my voice to the chorus of strong opposition to the proposed LG&E Meter Charge increase. I have a range of concerns but two immediately stand out.

- 1. This is an increase the undercuts the efforts of citizens to decrease their non-renewable energy usage. I have worked for year to decrease my "footprint" and decrease my consumption of non renewable resources. There are a lot of challenges for me in my stage of life (kids, their transportation needs, etc.) One thing I DON'T need is a dis-incentive. With this new charge, I will pay \$37 just to have a meter on my house, whether I use the services or not.
- 2. This proposed increase continues LG&E's push to monopolize home energy services in Louisville. I heat with wood, I will be adding solor panels I want to have a variety of options, as the market allows, to address my home energy needs. This increase requires me to pay LG&E regardless of how valuable their product is to me.

I hope the PSC will immediately deny this proposed increase.

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Thank you -

Jane Walsh 4209 Sherman Avenue Louisville 40213

To:

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

**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 1:29:39 PM

Dear Mr. Zahradnik:

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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Sent: Wednesday, April 01, 2015 10:50 AM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer

Cc:

Subject: Case related comments or questions on No. 2014-00372

Public Service Commission: Re: No. 2014-00372

Please do not allow LG&E to raise the raise the residential fixed charges. For electricity, they are asking to go from \$10.75 to \$18.00 every single month regardless of usage. That is a 67%, or over 2/3 price increase. This hurts low and fixed income people the most, punishes people who conserve energy, and rewards users who waste energy.

If they want to go back, sharpen their pencils, and present a reasonable case for raising their actual rates due to increased operating costs, I have no problem with this. We want them to stay in business and provide energy for all of us.

Kentucky has some of the lowest electric rates in the US, yet our state has some of the highest monthly charges in the US because these low rates do not encourage efficiency or conservation. States with higher rates pay lower bills because they invest in energy conservation and KY cannot remain economically competitive if this goes on, and this proposal to lower the rate even further while raising the fixed fees will put us further behind

then we already are. I teach an Engineering course in Manufacturing Methods, and this proposal goes against everything we are taught.

Mr Kent W. Blake, CFO of LG&E, in his sworn testimony to this very commission, states on page 11, "The result is ongoing attention and review of the Company's efforts to ensure that the company is conducting its business in an efficient and productive manner."

It is neither efficient nor productive to increase your charges for fixed costs. We all have fixed costs. What if the gas station down the street decided to charge you every month for the costs of the lights, heating and cooling, fuel pumps, etc., in addition to a charge for the gallons of gas you purchased per month from them. There would be no incentive to be efficient or productive in the operation of their business, and little incentive for me to conserve gas because I am going to pay a high rate per month no matter how much I burn.

I have been to PSC meetings on this issue in the past, and there are more planned for the future, how many times do we have to keep fighting these monthly charge increases? They claim to be environmentally friendly, but then actions like this totally destroy any credibility. Please be a Commission that Serves the Public, and stop this. They have a right to raise rates if they need more money, but not the monthly fixed fees.

I am also asking the PSC to request from LG&E their schedule for further fixed rates increases. It was mentioned at the PSC presentation that these changes are ongoing and are being introduced gradually, but 67% is hardly gradual and KY businesses and individuals have a right to know for future planning what these further increases will amount to.

Almost all businesses do not charge a separate fee for all of their fixed costs even though all businesses have fixed costs. Why does LG&E wanted to be treated differently and so special? And why do they want to harm people, hurt the community, and destroy the environment?

Charge us based on what we use. Please don't punish the little guy (and gal).

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