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COMMENTS: The biggest problem with the changes proposed is the basic service charge increases in the electric and gas portions of the LG+E rate making proposal. The increase in basic service charge decreases the proportion of the monthly bill which can be controlled by the user by conservation, or other measures to reduce gas and electric use. Over the past several decades users have been encouraged to conserve our power usage for various reasons, but most recently environmental effects. Raising the basic monthly rate seems to go against these efforts and policies we have been employing. I for one have tried very hard to reduce my usage.

I would question the reasonableness of a ~~guaranteed~~ ^{guaranteed} return on equity of 10.5% when most of the risk is removed by guarantees to cover almost all costs, variable and fixed. Monopolies should restrain their requests for guaranteed returns and profits.

Please reduce these basic service charges for gas and electric monthly bills. Thank you.