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To Whom It May Concern:

Kentucky Utilities Company (KU) applied for an adjustment of rates and charges of 6.4% for 2017.

Kentucky Utilities applies for an increase Every Year. As far as I have seen. They get it Every Year.

Wages do not increase by 6.4% every year. They mostly do not increase at all, and when they do it is a paltry 1 to 2%.

Cart Blanche requests for rate increases annually places a larger and larger burden on needy and barely surviving families that constricts their ability to purchase quality food and household supplies.

Please consider denying Kentucky Utility's request for a rate increase. They are a monopoly, so they can disrespect and ignore their customers all they want without recourse. No one can just Switch to another electricity provider. There isn't one. We are all forced to use Kentucky Utilities. Most other services, customers can leave when they feel that they are being over charged or ripped off. We, however, cannot. Before you say "There IS another provider". That company only services one neighborhood. The mass population of Lexington and Fayette County does not have access.

Do something important and stand up for the unrepresented. We have no choice, but to use Kentucky Utilities, and they apply for an increase every year while we stagnate in economic growth. They earn more and more, taking it directly from the pockets of those who already have difficulty paying for their service and whose budgets are fixed. Taking more and more from a fixed budget leaves less and less for Anything else like food, medicine, schooling, or cleaning supplies..

Stand up for the voiceless and unrepresented. Deny this rate increase.

Better yet, start a competing provider. You would probably win 90% of Kentucky Utility's customers immediately. They have no respect nor concern for those that they have been swindling for decades. Everyone is sick of them and their condescension.

Please deny this rate increase. It is taking food and medicine directly out of the mouths of the poor, elderly, and needy.

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