To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 9:29:00 AM

Dear Ms. Blyberg:

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Thank you again for your interest in this matter.

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From:

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 1:51 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am a resident of Lexington and someone who pays energy bills based on actual use rather than pro-rating throughout the year.

I am very concerned about LG&E's unfair proposal to double their basic service charge. Our community deserves affordable, clean energy, and we deserve to have control over our energy bills. This increase takes us in the wrong direction.

LG&E wants to charge us more - and they want to do it by increasing the flat fee we all have to pay no matter how much energy we use, while slightly lowering the rate they charge for energy use. This will hurt people with low and moderate incomes. And it makes it harder for my family to manage our bills by being careful about how much energy we use.

LG&E has sent customers misleading information about the new rate structure, indicating that it will save consumers money. But their claims only apply to very high-volume users, and only in months with very high energy use. For my family and many others, their plan will lead to an average increase in my monthly energy bill. I am concerned about the nature of the utilities' public information. And I believe it makes no sense for a rate structure to reward customers who use the most energy.

The proposed charges will discourage people like me from taking steps to make our homes and businesses more energy efficient or use renewable energy. These charges will move Kentucky in the wrong direction and make

things worse for our energy bills, health, local jobs and climate.

The Kentucky Public Service Commission must ensure that LG&E's rate structure is fair, necessary, and does not hurt low- and moderate-income residents. Please reject these proposals. Insist that these utilities come up with a fair plan that allows us all to breathe easier.

Sincerely,

Cindi Blyberg 2037 Dellwood Drive Lexington, KY 40503-2413

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 2:11:00 PM

Dear Ms. Chandler:

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From:

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 8:01 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am on a fixed income (Briefly describe yourself.)

I am very concerned about LG&E's unfair proposal to double their basic service charge. Our community deserves affordable, clean energy, and we deserve to have control over our energy bills. This increase takes us in the wrong direction.

LG&E wants to charge us more - and they want to do it by increasing the flat fee we all have to pay no matter how much energy we use, while slightly lowering the rate they charge for energy use. That's not right. It hurts people with low and moderate incomes. And it makes it harder for my family to manage our bills by being careful about how much energy we use.

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Sincerely,

E. Gail Chandler 935 Trout Ln Shelbyville, KY 40065-9531

To: "Carolyn Dawson"

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 3:07:00 PM

#### Dear Ms. Dawson:

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From: Carolyn Dawson

**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2017 12:23 PM

**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> **Subject:** LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

I am an LG&E customer in Bullitt County.

I am very concerned about LG&E's unfair proposal to double their basic service charge. Our community deserves affordable, clean energy, and we deserve to have control over our energy bills. This increase takes us in the wrong direction.

LG&E wants to charge us more - and they want to do it by increasing the flat fee we all have to pay no matter how much energy we use, while slightly lowering the rate they charge for energy use. That's not right. It hurts people with low and moderate incomes. And it makes it harder for my family to manage our bills by being careful about how much energy we use. I believe it makes no sense for a rate structure to reward customers who use the most energy. I also believe any service fee is unfair

when have no option to choose another utility company.

Thank you

Carolyn Dawson 344 Summers Dr Louisville, KY 40229

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 3:06:00 PM

Dear Mr. Freeman:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 11:11 AM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer < PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am (Briefly describe yourself.)

I am very concerned about LG&E's unfair proposal to double their basic service charge. Our community deserves affordable, clean energy, and we deserve to have control over our energy bills. This increase takes us in the wrong direction.

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Sincerely,

David Freeman 7821 WESTBROOK RD Louisville, KY 40258

To: "Carolyn Halvarson"

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 3:09:00 PM

Dear Ms. Halvarson:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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I should note that the Kentucky Public Service Commission has no jurisdiction over the rates of the Louisville Water Company.

Thank you again for your interest in this matter.

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From: Carolyn Halvarson |

Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 8:36 AM

**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>

**Subject:** Case #: 2016-00371

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Is it true that LG&E's and Louisville Water Co have requested rate increases that will double the minimum charges consumers pay? According to what I've read, electric and gas fees combined would hike to \$46 minimum. This means a substantial increase that would impact everyone but especially the lower income individuals. Why is the rate increase so large rather than a more acceptable and appropriate 2-3%?

Carolyn Halvarson Louisville KY

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

Date: Friday, March 17, 2017 9:30:00 AM

Dear Ms. Johnston:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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From:

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 1:31 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

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Sincerely,

Allison Johnston 2200 Lauderdale Rd Louisville, KY 40205-1628

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 3:05:00 PM

Dear Ms. Jozic:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 10:41 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer < PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am a customer of LG&E for over 5 years now. It is a struggle to keep up with the evert rising prices of basic needs (gas and electric included).

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Sincerely,

Aleksandra Jozic 4912 s 3rd st Louisville , KY 40214

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

Date: Friday, March 17, 2017 2:11:00 PM

Dear Ms. Kemper-O'Neil:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 6:11 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am a senior citizen/taxpayer (Briefly describe yourself.)

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Sincerely,

Gloria Kemper-O'Neil 2120 Lancashire Ave Louisville, KY 40205-2952

To:

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 9:29:00 AM

#### Dear Ms. Langman:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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From:

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 1:42 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer < PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am an LGE customer

I am very concerned about LG&E's unfair proposal to double their basic service charge. Our community deserves affordable, clean energy, and we deserve to have control over our energy bills. This increase takes us in the wrong direction.

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Sincerely,

Lucy Jones Langman 3816 Napanee Rd Louisville, KY 40207-1913

To: "Steven"

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 9:36:00 AM

#### Dear Mr. Roby:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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----Original Message-----

From: Steven [

Sent: Wednesday, February 01, 2017 7:27 PM

To: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov>

Subject: Re: Case 2016-00371

I live in Ky but recent moved outside Louisville. 1724 Maple Ave Owensboro, Ky 42301. Thanks.

> On Feb 1, 2017, at 2:33 PM, Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov> wrote:
> Mr. Roby:
> In order to place your comments into the case file, we need you to provide your place of residence. Thank you.
> Andrew Melnykovych
> Director of Communications

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- > -----Original Message-----
- > From: Steven [
- > Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 7:24 PM
- > To: PSC Public Information Officer

> Subject: Case 2016-00371

>

> I am writing to express my opposition to LG&E rate restructuring--rates should be based on usage. By basing rates on usage, conservation is encouraged and low use customer users are rewarded instead of additionally burdened.

>

> Steven Roby

>

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 9:29:00 AM

Dear Mr. Seeger:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 2:01 PM

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Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

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Sincerely,

Donald Seeger 204 Southwood Terrace Louisville, KY 40214-4222

To: "Chris"

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 9:34:00 AM

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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From: Chris [

**Sent:** Friday, February 10, 2017 10:26 AM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer < PSC.Info@ky.gov>

**Subject:** Case No. 2016-00371

RE: Case No. 2016-00371

Please disallow the proposed MASSIVE base rate increase for LG&E customers. LG&E already has the highest base rate as compared to other utility companies both within Kentucky as well as surrounding states. Going from an already high base charge for electricity from \$10.75 to \$22 per month and a base charge for gas from an already high \$13.75 to \$24 per month. There is no excuse to DOUBLE these rates. This means a monthly charge of \$46 per month BEFORE any electricity or gas is used. So no matter how much one conserves it does not matter, the bill will still be high. Add in the litany of fees and surcharges and the 3% taxes that we pay to the

county (Bullitt) on top of that is based on the bill total so this is yet another tax increase with NO elected representation. This REALLY hurts not only individuals, particularly the elderly and disabled, but businesses as well. It's no wonder people and businesses both are leaving Kentucky or will not expand here with greedy entities like LG&E jacking up rates every 6 months. There is no one that has had an raise of 100% that I know of, why should LG&E get a 100% raise. Maybe if they stop wasting money on TV ads promoting their monopoly, paying for events for the elite in Louisville, buying the latest gadgets,

they just might be able to keep rates reasonable instead of coming back for more every 6 months. This kind of money taken from consumers who do not have a choice of another utility provider will most likely be used to line the pockets of the executives and their friends in the political elite in Louisville. Please put a stop to this continued gouging by LG&E.

Can the public make comments at the hearings in Frankfort on 5/2-5/4 2017?

Sincerely, Christopher D. Sutton 123A Garden Gate Court Shepherdsville, KY 40165

To:

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 2:12:00 PM

Dear Mr. Thornberry:

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Thank you again for your interest in this matter.

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From:

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 8:36 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am (Briefly describe yourself.)

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Sincerely,

John Thornberry 929 E Liberty St Louisville, KY 40204-1026

To: <u>"Elizabeth Walker"</u>

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 9:34:00 AM

Dear Ms. Walker:

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From: Elizabeth Walker

Sent: Wednesday, February 08, 2017 3:23 PM

To: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov>

Subject: Re: LGE Rate hike

1949 Richmond Drive Louisville ky 40205

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 8, 2017, at 11:33 AM, Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov> wrote:

Ms. Walker

In order to place your comments into the case file, I need you to please provide your place of residence. Thanks.

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From: Elizabeth Walker [m

Sent: Sunday, February 05, 2017 3:18 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>

Subject: LGE Rate hike

I ask that LGE be denied the proposed rate hikes of 8.5% for electric and 4.2% for gas. My income only goes up 1% per year , average working people do not receive even 3% raises. At some point LGE should have to become more efficient, I turn my thermostat down lower each year and it is LGEs turn to sacrifice. I know some LGE retirees and they receive a generous pension that I should not have to pay for. This proposed rate hike us just corporate greed.

Sent from my iPhone

To: "TJ Baker"

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 2:37:00 PM

Dear Ms. Baker:

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From: TJ Baker

Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 1:08 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>

**Subject:** Case #2016-00371

I am an LG&E customer. I'm concerned about the proposed doubling of the flat monthly service charge. This proposal

will hurt may customers, especially low- and fixed-income people, apartment dwellers and people who attempt to conserve energy. Thank you, Teresa Baker 11808 Cedardale Road Louisville, KY 40223

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

Date: Friday, March 17, 2017 2:39:00 PM

Dear Mr. Bell:

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From:

Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 7:56 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

My name is Connor Bell a schoolteacher in Louisville, KY.

I am very concerned about LG&E's unfair proposal to double their basic service charge. Our community deserves affordable, clean energy, and we deserve to have control over our energy bills. This increase takes us in the wrong direction.

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Sincerely,

Connor Bell 807 Rubel Ave., 3 Louisville, KY 40204

To:

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 3:02:00 PM

Dear Mr./Ms. Clark:

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 12:21 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am concerned customer (Briefly describe yourself.)

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Sincerely,

Chris Clark 152 Vista Ct. Louisville, KY 40165 From: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)
To: "Chuck.clenney@gmail.com"

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 2:14:00 PM

Dear Mr. Clenney:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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From: mailagent@thesoftedge.com [mailto:mailagent@thesoftedge.com] On Behalf Of Chuck.clenney@gmail.com

Sent: Saturday, March 11, 2017 9:26 AM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am Chuck Clenney and I live in Lexington, Kentucky. I am concerned about why KU needs to raise these fees.

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Sincerely,

Chuck Clenney 111 North Broadway Park Lexington, KY 40505

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 3:02:00 PM

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Sincerely,

Melissa Goldstein 1801 Roanoke Ave #9 Louisville, KY 40205

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

Date: Friday, March 17, 2017 2:39:00 PM

Dear Ms. Isaacs:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 2:06 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

My husband and I have been customers of LG&E for three years. We work hard to manage our electricity and gas usage because we don't have much extra money in our budget. I recently heard that LG&E has proposed a DOUBLING of the flat fee that is the basic service charge. This would prevent customers like my husband and me from managing our monthly bills by limiting our usage. LG&E has said that customers will save money with this new plan. But the lower rate structure will not make enough of a difference to low-volume users like us. It will raise monthly utility bills for low and middle income families. I believe that LG&E has been providing misleading information by inferring that this is a good change for customers. The only customers it will be good for is very high volume users. Please consider rejecting this proposal. We need a plan that works for ALL LG&E customers, not just the high volume users.

Sincerely,

Shelly Isaacs 168 Thierman Lane Apt. 2 Louisville, KY 40207

To: "Josephine Mei"

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 2:17:00 PM

Dear Dr. Mei:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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**From:** Josephine Mei

**Sent:** Sunday, March 12, 2017 11:15 AM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>

**Subject:** Stop unfair service fee hikes by LG&E and Kentucky Utilities

A base rate of \$46 per household is an undue burden on anyone trying to become independent. A household may be a single individual in an apartment, a college student living outside of dormitory housing, a family in a house, or an office which may have two to fifty or more employees. This has nothing to do with utilization, as a person may use very little especially if they work or travel. A household that lives in Kentucky for only part of the year, such as a snowbird, would have high overhead expenses. And then there are the elderly who are on a fixed income. Also the rates for shutting service and resuming service are high, so if someone cannot pay that high monthly service and gets gas/electricity turned off, then it is difficult for them to resume service. It is also a bias against urban dwellers, who live in apartments which utilize less electricity and gas. For a person on a minimum wage income, at \$7.25/hr, It would be nearly one whole day of wages, or 5% of their monthly income at a minimum that would pay for only the base rate, not to consider additional incurred expenses.

I am against this rate increase. Stop unfair service fee hikes by LG&E and Kentucky Utilities.

Sincerely yours,

Josephine Mei, MD 308 Forest Lane Louisville, KY 40222

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 3:05:00 PM

Dear Ms. Nall:

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 5:51 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am a resident of Louisville.

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Sincerely,

Jennifer Nall 3102 Hewitt Avenue Louisville, KY 40220

To: <u>"Kathleen Savatiel"</u>

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 2:17:00 PM

Dear Ms. Savatiel:

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From: Kathleen Savatiel

Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2017 10:42 AM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>

**Subject:** Oppose new LG&E Rates

Dear Public Information Officer.

Please pass along my opposition to any increase whatsoever of a flat monthly service charge to LG&E utilities. A flat rate service charge increase unfairly impacts those of varying income levels because it is not based on utility use. Why should I pay the same flat rate as someone who uses less or more utilities than me? If there is to be an equitable increase it should be based on usage alone. Why take the same from the poor as the rich, the people who can actually afford an increased service charge? This proposal is inexplicable to me and makes no common sense.

Please note my opposition to a flat monthly service charge.

Thank you.

V/r Kathleen Service Zip Code 40299

To:

Subject: your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 2:13:00 PM

Dear Mr. Waters:

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Sent: Saturday, March 11, 2017 7:56 AM

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Dear Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am Daniel Waters, a Louisville resident and energy consultant.

I am very concerned about LG&E's unfair proposal to double their basic service charge. Our community deserves affordable, clean energy, and we deserve to have control over our energy bills. This increase takes us in the wrong direction.

LG&E wants to charge us more - and they want to do it by increasing the flat fee we all have to pay no matter how much energy we use, while slightly lowering the rate they charge for energy use. That's not right. It hurts people with low and moderate incomes. And it makes it harder for my family to manage our bills by being careful about how much energy we use.

LG&E has sent customers misleading information about the new rate structure, indicating that it will save consumers money. But their claims only apply to very high-volume users, and only in months with very high energy use. For my family and many others, their plan will lead to an average increase in my monthly energy bill. I am concerned about the nature of the utilities' public information. And I believe it makes no sense for a rate structure to reward customers who use the most energy.

The proposed charges will discourage people like me from taking steps to make our homes and businesses more energy efficient or use renewable energy. These charges will move Kentucky in the wrong direction and make

things worse for our energy bills, health, local jobs and climate.

The Kentucky Public Service Commission must ensure that LG&E's rate structure is fair, necessary, and does not hurt low- and moderate-income residents. Please reject these proposals. Insist that these utilities come up with a fair plan that allows us all to breathe easier.

Sincerely,

Daniel Waters 442 E Lee St Louisville, KY 40217-1140

To:

**Subject:** your comments in case number 2016-00371 - LG&E rate case

**Date:** Friday, March 17, 2017 3:00:00 PM

## Dear Ms. Winchel:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Louisville Gas & Electric Co. for an adjustment in rates.

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 2016-00371. 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.ky.gov/PSC\_WebNet/ViewCaseFilings.aspx?case=2016-00371">http://psc.ky.gov/PSC\_WebNet/ViewCaseFilings.aspx?case=2016-00371</a>

Thank you again for your interest in this matter.

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 1:06 AM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LGE service fee hikes - Case #2016-00371

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This rate hike is smack in the face to the folks in my neighborhood already struggling. We would appreciate our situation being considered in these decisions. Our rates may seem to be a non-issue for many of your customers but this is just not the case for many, many more of us. Please reconsider this hike.

Sincerely,

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