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Re: Request that PSC deny LG & E rate increase

This letter is to strongly object to the increase of the basic electric charge that has been requested by the Louisville Gas and Electric Company.

We spent over \$ 60,000 in 30 solar panels for our house during 2010-2012, both as an investment decision and as an environmental impact concern. When we were away for six months with the Peace Corps in 2015, the solar panels produced more electricity than the vacant house consumed. We were out of town for six weeks in early 2017, and our electric bill for February 3 to March 3 was \$ 13.30, the current minimum for being hooked up to the grid with LG&E. Now they want to charge about \$ 45 minimum? Do not agree!!

They want to triple the minimum bill. LG&E numbers claiming to show lower charges on high usage months are skewed and do not reflect that low use months would be drastically increased. Averaged monthly rates are available for those who really want to have less fluctuation in their bill.

LG&E would penalize us and all others who are conscientiously working to conserve energy and reduce pollution. Plus, all those who are making minimum wage or on fixed income would have serious difficulties.

Please protect the citizens and consumers of Kentucky by denying the LG&E rate increase proposal. Thank you.

Nancy Hines