From:	Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)
To:	<u>"Shawn Murphy"</u>
Subject:	RE: your comments in case number 2018-00005 - Kentucky Utilities-Louisville Gas & Electric advanced meter
	case
Date:	Monday, July 23, 2018 10:58:00 AM

Dear Mr. Murphy:

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Andrew Melnykovych

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From: Shawn Murphy [

Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2018 12:52 PM
To: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov>
Subject: Re: your comments in case number 2018-00005 - Kentucky Utilities-Louisville Gas & Electric advanced meter case

LG&E just has a public meeting here in Louisville yesterday about these smart meters. They have said that they will charge an additional \$57 to \$70 more per month for those who opt out of these smart meters. They also said that they would be charging more for our energy use at certain times of the day which is BS!

Their excuse was that we'd be paying extra to have our meters read. But again, they are reading them now for nothing extra, so how are they allowed to charge extra for something that we're already receiving for the standard cost?

None of this is of any benefit to the consumer and these meters have been known to cause

RECEIVED By Kentucky PSC at 1:02 pm, Jul 23, 2018 health problems with many in other states as well as they are an invasion of privacy. We have no where else to go and LG&E/KU lobbies to block us from having our own solar power. Either way they've got us.

PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW LG&E TO FORCE US INTO ACCEPTING THESE METERS AND CHARGING US MORE IF WE DO NOT!

Thanks.

Shawn Murphy

Louisville, Ky.

Sent from Outlook

From: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <<u>Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2018 10:58 AM

To: s

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From: PSC - Consumer Web Inquiry Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 7:44 AM To: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC) <<u>Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov</u>> Subject: FW: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

From: KY Public Service Commission [mailto:pscfilings@ky.gov] Sent: Friday, January 05, 2018 5:42 PM To: PSC - Consumer Web Inquiry <<u>PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov</u>> Subject: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by on Friday, January 05, 2018 at 5:41 PM

Name: Shawn M Murphy Address: 519 N. Hite Ave. City: Louisville State: Kentucky Zip Code: 40206 Phone number where you can be reached: Home phone: University Construction Utility Name: Louisville Gas and Electric

State the nature of your concern: I wish to voice my opinion that I am against LG&E's use and deployment of "smart meters", especially upon private property in residential areas. They want to charge extra for the customers to opt out to try and force people into accepting these microwave radiation emitting devices. We should not have to pay extra to have them to read our meters as they are already doing now for no extra cost. This is NOT to save the CUSTOMERS money at all! It's to save THEM money and for THEM to make more PROFITS at OUR expense!. We would be paying for their unnecessary monitoring equipment through these extra charges solely for THEIR BENEFIT! NOT OURS! Plus, these things are a proven to be a health concern as others over many states have become physically ill when they were installed on their homes. Even if I opt out, my neighbors would have them and it could possibly affect me and my family. These devices supposedly also monitor home appliances inside of the home which is an invasion of privacy. I have no problems of outage reporting as it already exists and do not need to have this device to notify them if my power goes out. LG&E already has transponders mounted on their power grid throughout the city for that. They are looking to make more money, put more people out of work (meter readers), make more money while forcing us to pay for it all as well as bring in more "big brother" spying upon ordinary people's lives. PLEASE BLOCK THEM FROM USING THESE DEVICES! Thanks for your time! Shawn Murphy Louisville, Ky. Have you contacted the utility about the problem: No

Dear Mr. Bowman:

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From: Nathan Bowman [
Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2018 8:41 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Comment re: Case# 2018-00005

Hi - my wife and I live in Clifton, we're happy customers of LG&E, and it's very important to us that we get smart metering ASAP. It just makes sense to be able to monitor energy usage in real time and shunt loads around - it's got to be more efficient, and with Kentucky burning so much coal to supply energy, we need to minimize those emissions as much as possible.

If we're concerned that LG&E will hike rates to pay for it, let's make it a requirement they don't. They're already subject to audit, right? Have them set up separate funding, and keep those tracks separate.

So, to sum up, for the poor intern that has to read these and categorize my responses in the Excel spreadsheet you're working on:

- In favor of meters
- Concerned about Climate Change/emissions

• Suggested additional regulation to ensure compliance with their earlier statements about meters not leading to rate hikes.

Thanks!

-Nathan Bowman

Dear Mr. Sparks:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Rick Sparks
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2018 8:25 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: I DO NOT CONSENT

From: Rick Sparks 302 Johns Turn Trail Lexington, KY 40514

To: Kentucky Public Service Commission <u>211 Sower Boulevard</u> PO Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

RE: Case Number 2018-00005

To Whom it May Concern:

I oppose allowing the deployment of "smart meters" for all the reasons listed below:

1) "Smart Meters" and digital utility meters meet the statutory definition of unlawful surveillance

devices put forth as "Wiretapping" in **United States Code (USC) Title 18, Part 1, Chapter 119, Sec 2511** and other State and Federal laws, and those meters are designed and intended to record personal and private events and activities within private structures and properties which constitutes violation of the **United States Constitution, Bill of**

Rights, 4th Amendment guaranteeing all people to be "...secure in their persons, houses..." and to be free of "search". No search of private property may be lawfully done without a valid, timely and ratified court order (warrant) based on probable cause or by full informed consent of the occupants.

2) "Smart Meters" and digital wireless utility meters emit "packetized" and/or "pulsed" electromagnetic radiation in power densities, timings and volumes known to be harmful and unsafe for exposure to humans, animals and plants, shown to be damaging and dangerous in countless published peer-reviewed scientific studies, and known to be particularly harmful to individuals classified as "Sensitive Receptors" who may visit or occupy the above property. This radiation is known to cause cancer, neurological illnesses and injuries, birth defects, childhood leukemia, childhood behavioral disorders and a wide variety of other physical symptoms in any person who may be exposed. In fact, exposure to EMR can exacerbate any vulnerability and provoke injury in any biological organism. The widespread installation of digital electric meters represents reckless and inexcusable endangerment of the public and violation of rights.

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5) Kentucky Utility Co. may claim a historical easement (right of access) to connect an analog meter to the electrical service of the above address for the purpose of recording and billing total electrical usage once per month. Kentucky Utility Co. have no easement to monitor activities and events INSIDE THE HOME, and does not have easement to transmit electromagnetic radiation FROM, ON, IN AND THROUGH THE ABOVE PROPERTY, and affected parties have not knowingly or willingly granted or permitted any such easement or access and, if any such permission is presumed or claimed, all such permission is hereby denied and refused as that is invasive, unlawful, threatening to health and not necessary for utility billing. By installation or threat of installation of a digital meter Kentucky Utility Co. is in violation of its easement as of this notice and has no right, authority, privilege or consent to place or operate a "Smart Meter" or any radiation emitting or monitoring device on our property and/or place of occupancy.

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Rick Sparks

Dear Mr. Allinder:

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From: Jason A

Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2018 4:49 PMTo: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>Subject: Case Number 2018 - 00005

From: Jason Allinder 3551 Lochdale Ter Lexington, KY 40514

To: Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard PO Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

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From: Nicholas Johnson
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2018 3:25 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Comments on case number 2018-00005

Below are my public comments on the LG&E/KU request to deploy an advanced metering system, case number 2018-00005.

I am a homeowner and an electric and natural gas customer of LG&E. As an environmental advocate, I have taken advantage of several utility programs in order to curb my energy consumption and environmental impact, with the added bonus of reduced volumetric cost on my bill. To this end, I have previously voluntarily opted in to the smart meter program, and currently have the smart meter installed on my property. As someone conscientious of energy use, I find it helpful to be able to see my consumption patterns at 15 minute intervals as made possible by the smart meter. While other LG&E programs have helped me reduce my impact from an efficiency (On-Site Home Energy Analysis), Demand Side Management (Demand Conservation), and power generation (paying extra for Green Power from renewable energy credits) perspective, it is the Advanced Meter Service that enables me to most effectively know how to reduce my impact from a behavioral perspective. The granular view that the

smart meter provides to customers of their near-real-time energy consumption would otherwise be impossible with a conventionally read meter (short of standing outside and watching the meter spin while manually recording your observations!).

Data are some of the most powerful tools we have in quantifying, understanding, addressing, and changing our behaviors, and if we are going to create a diversified, resilient, and sustainable grid consisting of traditional baseload, distributed renewable, and energy storage components, it will be crucial that the system that delivers this power to the end users is smart, digital, and ubiquitous. Smart meters will help enable customers to take control over their power consumption and learn how best to reduce their individual costs by being armed with this knowledge. I think smart meters are an important step towards these goals, so I support their implementation in a cost effective and equitable manner that does not unduly burden the most cost-sensitive customers.

-Nicholas Johnson Louisville, KY 40217 Dear Ms. Stepp:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Gloria Stepp [
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2018 10:55 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: , Case # 2018-00005

To whom it may concern:

Advanced meters *can* offer valuable information to utilities and customers. For example, they are necessary to shape well-designed "time-of-use" rates, which send price signals to customers and encourage us to use less power during times of peak energy demand. As part of a broader strategy to reduce peak demand, smart-meters and time-ofuse rates can help utilities reduce their use of inefficient gas "peaker" plants, which are called into service during really hot afternoons or really cold mornings.**However, LG&E / KU are not proposing to use advanced meters for those valuable purposes.** Instead, the main reason the utilities claim they want to make this investment is to lower labor costs by eliminating jobs now held by people who read meters.**Before the KY Public Service Commission approves any investment in advanced meters, it should make sure critical public interests are protected.** Specifically, the PSC should: Hold another public hearing on this case in Lexington, in addition to the one in Louisville.Require LG&E/KU to submit a plan showing how they will use advanced meters to reduce pollution and incorporate more clean energy generation in their overall energy mix.Require LG&E / KU to offer customers the option of time of use rates that are carefully designed to lower peak demand while minimizing the burden on customers. Any new rate proposal should seek to address and protect the interests of low-income residents, seniors, and other groups with special needs.Require LG&E / KU to demonstrate how the data and information provided by advanced meters will be accessible and beneficial to all, including customers without internet service, customers with disabilities, seniors, customers for whom English is not a their primary language, and others.Require LG&E / KU to submit a plan for educating all customers about how to access and make use of the information provided by these meters. Require LG&E / KU to develop a plan for a Just Transition for workers whose jobs will be lost due to a shift to advanced meters.Significantly reduce the monthly "opt-out fees" LG&E / KU propose charging customers who choose not to use advanced meters. KU is proposing a monthly opt-out fee of \$32.45. LG&E wants to charge electric customers \$22.70 and natural gas customers \$21.80 each month if they choose not to use an advanced meter. **Without these steps, the KY PSC should not approve this expense.**

Thank you, KU Customer and Kentucky resident Gloria Stepp 586 Old River RD Salt Lick, KY 40371 Dear Ms. Asher:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: BARBARA ASHER
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2018 2:45 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005

I have deep concerns about the LG&E-KU smart meters beyond the cost of raising their ability to raise our rates with Smart Meters. I, for one, was tricked into getting one, in my opinion, and now I am stuck with it, which means they will be able to easily charge me more during peak times of day even though I have health issues which mean that for the few hours I am home per day, I need the power to not be downgraded or over charged. I have staunchly refused "demand conservation" for this reason.

Several times my meter has been misread over the years. At first, the customer service were very gracious about sending someone out and then changing my bill before the due date. After the merger, however, they are increasingly less and less congenial. Finally, I was convinced, after a long, lengthy persuasion, to be a trial user for the express purpose of being able to more easily monitor my usage so that "when misreadings occur" I could more easily

argue about them since I would have evidence through an app, or the misreadings (which occurred because of house being so very close to neighbors--they were missing mine and applying neighbors bill to mine) would become less often due to new meter.

However, at NO time, at NO TIME, was I ever told that the meter would be used against me as a method in which to downgrade my power usage or to charge me more for usage during certain times of the day.

Enough of their overcharging. They are a utility. They are not supposed to make profits and grow. They are supposed to support the community and subsist. That is their only purpose. Otherwise, end the monopoly and let them compete openly.

Best regards,

Barbara Asher 8603 Willowrun Ct Dear Ms. Bryan:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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-----Original Message-----From: Mary Sent: Monday, July 09, 2018 8:59 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Public Comment in Case # 2018-00005 Smart Meter Proposal

These are my comments attached.

Public Comment in KU/LG&E Smart Meter Case # 2018-00005 July 9, 2018

Thank you for the opportunity to speak on the LG&E proposed smart meters. I am an LG&E customer and I also serve on two boards for low income utility programs in the LG&E service area. In my board service for the programs serving low income households, we know that many are renters and do not have control over fixing up their homes. We use Project Warm and We Care when possible, but so much is beyond the control of people, like efficient appliances. So they will be paying without being able to take advantage of seeing and adjusting their usage.

This is an expensive proposal that asserts that the cost will be offset by savings and benefits in the long run. That is a bold projection that has not been backed up by information from other service areas. These projections are speculative guesses and we should wait until we have evidence from other areas that these kinds of projects actually reduce costs and generate benefits.

In the instance of smart meters, the rate payers of LG&E will be the ones who will pay for the shortfall of such an expensive proposal with additional increases in their monthly utility bills that will exacerbate the rate increases that continue to occur. This proposal has the potential to make even more customers unable to pay their monthly utility bills. Especially low income customers will be placed at an even greater risk of losing utility services.

The opt out part of this proposal is not really an option as customers-especially low income customers will find it difficult to pay more each month on their bill for not participating. Ultimately, all LG&E customers will experience

increased utility costs as a result of this proposal.

Mary Bryan 1463 S. 1st Street Louisville, KY 40208

Thank you,

Mary Bryan

1463 S. 1st Street

Louisville, KY 40208

Dear Mr. Kaskan:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Peter Kaskan
Sent: Monday, July 09, 2018 12:53 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Comments on Case 2018-00005

Dear PSC,

I am a resident of Louisville and believe LG&E should not assess ratepayers increased monies for meters that do not provide real-time data to help consumers learn about their electric consumption.

We would all be better off if LG&E spent money on increasing energy-efficiency, solar power, pollution-control technology or grid strengthening.

Sincerely, Peter M. Kaskan Dear Ms. Roehrig:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Becky Roehrig [
Sent: Monday, July 09, 2018 11:30 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: NO to advanced metering

To the PSC,

I am writing to request that you NOT approve the advanced metering request from LG&E. Case # 2018-00005. If approved this would put an undo financial burden on LG&E customers without statistics that show that there will be real savings. I'm also concerned about the privacy concerns.

Thank you for your consideration of the interest of LG&E customers.

Becky Roehrig 266 Claremont Avenue Louisville, KY 40206 Dear Ms. Brown:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Laura Lee Brown
Sent: Monday, July 09, 2018 10:09 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005

Dear PSC,

LG&E is asking for your approval to assess ratepayers over \$700 Million over five years for advanced meters. These meters will allow the company to lay-off meter readers and will not provide real-time data to help consumers learn what drives the cost of their bills up. These funds would be better spent on energy-efficient solar power, pollution control, or grid strengthening. I prefer to have my money spent on energy saving efforts, not loss of jobs and expensive meters that are not needed.

Sincerely,

Laura Lee Brown Louisville, KY Dear Ms. Stevenson:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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From: Alison Stevenson [
Sent: Monday, July 09, 2018 10:17 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018 - 00005 Concerns

Dear Public Service Commission,

I am writing about Case 2018-00005 where LG&E proposes that we, the ratepayers, should pay hundreds of millions of dollars to throw out our meters and replace them with "Advanced Meters". The information does not show that there will be real savings from using these meters. In addition, there are real privacy concerns about these meters that are not at all addressed. Please do not approve the Advanced Metering program as proposed in this case.

Sincerely,

Alison Stevenson 6910 Longlake Drive Louisville, KY 40291

Dear Mr. DuFour:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From:

Sent: Monday, July 09, 2018 5:46 AM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Case 2018-00005

Please do NOT approve LG&E's request to install "advanced meters" on customers homes. This is an unneeded, unwanted expense. It will not provide value to customers. Rather, LG&E could make these meters available to customers who want one. They could made optional. Thank you. Randy DuFour https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/how-the-alabama-race-could-reflect-future-senatefights 2212 Strathmoor Blvd.

Louisville, KY 40205

Sent from my iPad

Dear Ms. Christensen:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Jean Christensen
Sent: Sunday, July 08, 2018 11:11 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005

I am writing as a long-time resident of Louisville to ask the PSC to deny LG&E approval to assess ratepayers the sum of \$717 million for purchase of high tech so-called advanced meters. This is a lose-lose situation.

Such meters will not provide the useful information needed to inform rate payers about what usage actually increases the bills. Such a fee would impose a heavy burden on the households with lower incomes, on the handicapped and disabled. In addition, it will eliminate useful employment for meter readers.

As a citizen deeply concerned about the difficulties we face with respect to the climate, I resent such funds being spent without serious consideration first for the environment and energy efficiency. Such funds would go a long way in installing solar power or in investing in pollution control technology, a move that would provide relief for many residents, particularly the elderly and the young.

Thank you for your consideration. I am,

Sincerely,

Dr. Jean Christensen 1465 S 2nd St. Louisville, KY 40208 Dear Ms. Hanley:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Jeane Hanley
Sent: Saturday, July 07, 2018 9:10 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: FW: Case 2018-00005 Comment

These meters are an unnecessary intrusion into my privacy and I object to their deployment.

I strenuously object to paying the cost of these meters, either directly or indirectly. I should NOT have to pay to opt out of the program if, against many Kentuckians' wishes, it is approved. LG&E cannot document the savings it claims will be produced.

How can wishful (perhaps, deceptive?) thinking be approved?

If LG&E would like to propose conservation programs or programs to broaden te appeal of solar power, that might be something we all could agree about.

Sincerely,

Jeane M. Hanley LG&E Customer Dear Ms. Givens:

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From: Nancy Givens
Sent: Friday, July 06, 2018 9:33 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Fw: Case 2018-00005

I do not support the LGE-KU plan to purchase Smart Meters and pass the costs on to consumers. Smart meters will potentially affect the privacy, costs, and electricity use of every LG&E and KU customer. The claimed advantages also do not transfer equitably to renters and low income customers, who are less able to personally regulate their energy usage based on feedback from the meters. Furthermore, to date LG&E hasn't documented the savings it claims. Perhaps most compelling for me is that I do not want to pay this cost and believe it far more worthwhile to build a more secure energy future for customers by investing in conservation programs, solar power, and/or grid strengthening. I believe these programs will yield greater benefits than Smart Meters.

Thank you for your consideration,

Nancy Givens 3015 Brownsboro Rd., #11 Louisville, KY 40206 Dear Mr. Dolan:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Chris Dolan [mailto:chrispdolan@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, July 06, 2018 4:46 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005 Smart Meter Comments

I am a LG&E residential electricity customer.

Case 2018-00005 is a request from LG&E to install and be reimbursed for smart meters.

I am against consumers being required to pay for new "smart" meters. The existing meters work fine. The benefit to consumers is not clear. The main benefit of "smart meters" seems to be LG&E to reduce labor costs. "Smart meters" should be allowed only when their real labor and operation cost savings cover their installation, so customers would not have addition charges.

Thank you for your consideration.

Chris Dolan 1626 Ruth Avenue Louisville, KY 40205

Dear Ms. Boone:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Emily Boone [mailto:emilycboonemsw@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, July 06, 2018 10:57 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005 LG&E off loading cost of doing business onto the public - corporate welfare

Dear Public Service Commission

I am writing about Case 2018-00005 where LG&E proposes that we, the ratepayers, should pay hundreds of millions of dollars to throw out our meters and replace them with "Advanced Meters". The information does not show that there will be real savings from using these meters. In addition, there are real privacy concerns about these meters that are not at all addressed. Please do not approve the Advanced Metering program as proposed in this case.

In addition we are a free enterprise system and it is time that corporations stop off loading the cost of doing business onto the public (socialism), and then PRIVATIZING the profits. That is corporate welfare. It is time for LG&E to stop eating at the public dole trough!

Sincerely,

Emily Boone 102 Pope Street Louisville, Kentucky 40206 Dear Ms. McKim:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Diane McKim [mailto:diane.mckim@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, July 06, 2018 7:28 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005

- Before the KY Public Service Commission approves any investment in advanced meters, it should make sure critical public interests are protected. Specifically, the PSC should:
 - Hold another public hearing on this case in Lexington, in addition to the one in Louisville.
 - Require LG&E/KU to submit a plan showing how they will use advanced meters to reduce pollution and incorporate more clean energy generation in their overall energy mix.
 - Require LG&E / KU to offer customers the option of time of use rates that are carefully designed to lower peak demand while minimizing the burden on customers. Any new rate proposal should seek to address and protect the

interests of low-income residents, seniors, and other groups with special needs.

- Require LG&E / KU to demonstrate how the data and information provided by advanced meters will be accessible and beneficial to all, including customers without internet service, customers with disabilities, seniors, customers for whom English is not a their primary language, and others.
- Require LG&E / KU to submit a plan for educating all customers about how to access and make use of the information provided by these meters.
- Require LG&E / KU to develop a plan for a Just Transition for workers whose jobs will be lost due to a shift to advanced meters.
- Significantly reduce the monthly "opt-out fees" LG&E / KU propose charging customers who choose not to use advanced meters. KU is proposing a monthly opt-out fee of \$32.45. LG&E wants to charge electric customers \$22.70 and natural gas customers \$21.80 each month if they choose not to use an advanced meter.

• Without these steps, the KY PSC should not approve this expense.

I have concerns about the proposal regarding advanced meters. Sincerely, Patricia McKim 2822 Eleanor Ave Louisville, KY Dear Mr. & Ms. Shore:

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From:

Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 11:27 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Case 2018-00005

I oppose the installation of "smart meters". they are a way to raise my rate to pay for a meter I don't want so that the utility can cut the number of people employed as meter readers. meter reading is not onerous; it is not dangerous. They should be investing that money in solar generation panels on every flat roof in the state, beginning with the commercial and industrial roofs. If they have excess generating capacity they should shut down permanently the carbon-fuel generation. If they have used generally accepted accounting practice they have amortized the cost of those facilities by now.

thank you for your serious consideration of this comment opposing "smart meters"

Faith Eastwood Shore and Richard E. Shore 205 Catalpa Rd, Lexington KY 40502 Dear Ms. Halbig:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter **Andrew Melnykovych** Director of Communications Kentucky Public Service Commission 502-782-2564 (direct) or 502-564-3940 (switchboard) 502-330-5981 (cell) Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov

From: Teena Halbig [Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 4:55 PMTo: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>

Hello Public Service Commission,

Regarding CASE 2018 - 00005:

We say "**NO**" for increases that are exorbitant for monthly "opt-out fees" (see below). The below opt-out fees are too high for choosing to "opt-out" of using an advanced meter that by the way would do away with meter-reader jobs. Show how much you will save and deduct that amount - are you showing these figures?

Also, please show the amount saved for gas, vehicles purchased and repairs, labor, etc. and be sure to DEDUCT this before figuring "opt-out" fees. What is this amount?

The **monthly opt-out fee** for LG&E for electric customers **EACH MONTH for \$22.50** and

the **monthly opt-out fee** for natural gas customers EACH MONTH for \$21.80.

We encourage the PSC to not levy this extremely high increased cost per household.

Has LGE considered letting the customers read/scan their own meters? and send in electronically or by phone? Then, LGE might opt to check meters maybe at 6 month intervals? This would save money.

How much would a scanner device cost for a household?

Additionally, there should be a way to get instantaneous readings without even having a meter reader or customer scan.

<u>You must put in print and make it electronically available to the public what</u> <u>ALL the advanced meter proceeds will be used for.</u> The public should be able to comment on what the funds will be used for and updated biannually by PSC. Will you do this?

Again, we are adamantly opposed to these extremely high costs per month for opting out and request that LGE look at other options.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Teena Halbig Mr. E. R. Halbig 6505 Echo Trail Louisville, KY 40299 Dear Ms. Whitaker:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Lisa Whitaker
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 4:15 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005

I am writing to express my concern with the changes KU/LG&E are proposing for 'smart' meters.

While there may be some advantages to be gained by customers & utilities with the use of these meters, the company does not appear to be planning to take advantage of the data provided by the meters. In addition, this switch to advanced meters will cost some employees their jobs.

Before the KY Public Service Commission approves any investment in advanced meters, it should make sure critical public interests are protected. Specifically, the PSC should:

Hold another public hearing on this case in Lexington, in addition to the one in Louisville. As a resident of Lexington, it's not feasible for me to attend a public hearing in Louisville.

1. Require LG&E/KU to submit a plan showing how they will use advanced meters to reduce pollution and incorporate more clean energy generation in their overall energy mix.

2. Require LG&E / KU to offer customers the option of time of use rates that are carefully designed to

lower peak demand while minimizing the burden on customers. Any new rate proposal should seek to address and protect the interests of low-income residents, seniors, and other groups with special needs.

3. Require LG&E / KU to demonstrate how the data and information provided by advanced meters will be accessible and beneficial to all, including customers without internet service, customers with disabilities, seniors, customers for whom English is not a their primary language, and others.

4. Require LG&E / KU to submit a plan for educating all customers about how to access and make use of the information provided by these meters.

5. Require LG&E / KU to develop a plan for a Just Transition for workers whose jobs will be lost due to a shift to advanced meters.

6. Significantly reduce the monthly "opt-out fees" LG&E / KU propose charging customers who choose not to use advanced meters. KU is proposing a monthly opt-out fee of \$32.45. LG&E wants to charge electric customers \$22.70 and natural gas customers \$21.80 each month if they choose not to use an advanced meter.

Without these steps, the KY PSC should not approve this expense.

Thank you for your time.

Lisa Whitaker 463 Lamont Dr Lexington, KY 40503



Dear Mr. Bowman:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Bill Bowman Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 3:28 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Case 2018-0005

Sirs and Madams:

I am concerned about the proposal from LG&E and KU to introduce "smart" meters to their customers. It doesn't seem like the utilities have done a complete financial analysis of the implications of this change.

In addition to the up-front costs, what are the benefits? Will information generated by the "smart" meters be shared with customers?

There are a lot of questions that need to be answered before approval of this plan.

Thanks for taking these concerns into account in your hearing.

Bill Bowman Louisville Dear Ms. Gaines:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Nicole Gaines
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 3:17 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005

Hi. I am writing to express my concerns regarding this proposal. While advanced meters can offer valuable benefits to customers and utility companies, LGE and KU are not proposing to use advanced meters to help with efficient use of resources. Rather, they are only seeking to reduce their labor costs. So basically they are looking to charge customers around \$716 million over the life of the project, in order to increase their profits by removing jobs from our community. This is unacceptable. If consumers are going to incur the hundreds of millions in cost of advanced meters, we need to ensure that these meters benefit not just corporate shareholders, but the people of our state.

I would ask that you please consider:

1. Holding another public meeting in Lexington, not just the one in Louisville. Lexington customers will also feel the impact of this proposed change.

2. Require LGE/KU to show how they are going to use these meters to reduce pollution and rely on more clean energy sources.

3. Require LGE/KU to offer the option of time of use rates that will lower peak demand without increasing the burden on customers. Any rate change should consider the impact of our elderly and low-income neighbors.

4. Require LGE/KU to show how the data provided by the advanced meters will be accessible to everyone and benefit the community, and provide information to customers on how to use the data.

5. Require LGE/KU to assist workers that they will be eliminating to help these individuals transition to other jobs.

6. Significantly reduce the "opt out" fees for those who choose not to use the advanced meters. The current proposed fee by LGE of \$44.50 a month is excessive.

I would urge you not to approve this proposal until the impact on the community, and these unanswered questions, are addressed. Thanks for your time!

Best regards,

Nicole

Nicole Gaines 1137 Julia Ave. Louisville KY 40204 Dear Mr. Allen:

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From: Grant Allen
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 3:09 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005

To Whom it May Concern,

I live in Lexington KY and am a customer of KU. I am against this proposed expenditure, please reject this proposal.

Thank you, Grant Allen 1761 Battery St Lexington KY 40509 Dear Mr. Driskell:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Eddie Driskell Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 9:28 AM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Advanced Meters

Dear Public Service Commission

I am writing about Case 2018-00005 where LG&E proposes that we, the ratepayers, should pay hundreds of millions of dollars to throw out our meters and replace them with "Advanced Meters". The information does not show that there will be real savings from using these meters. In addition, there are real privacy concerns about these meters that are not at all addressed. Please do not approve the Advanced Metering program as proposed in this case.

Sincerely,

Earl Driskell 10505 Trotters Pointe Dr. #204 Louisville, KY 40241 Dear Ms. Ferrell:

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-----Original Message-----From: Phyllis Ferrell Sent: Wednesday, July 04, 2018 8:01 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Case 2018-00005

I understand that LG&E is seeking Public Service Commission (PSC) approval to assess ratepayers \$717 Million over five years, for higher-tech, "advanced meters."

Such meters would let the utilities lay off more meter readers and won't provide real-time data to help consumers learn what drives up their bills. (If we saw a usage spike when we used a blow dryer, we might use it less often.)

I believe the \$717 Million would be better spent on energy-efficiency, solar power, pollution-control technology or grid strengthening.

Phyllis Ferrell 3120 Roselawn Blvd. Louisville, KY 40220 Dear Ms. Lyons:

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From: Judy Lyons [Sent: Wednesday, July 04, 2018 7:38 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Case 2018-00005

PSC:

I urge you to not approve LG&E's request to assess ratepayers their for "advanced meters."

I would much prefer to see their (my) money spent on energy efficiency, solar power and pollution controlling technology.

Judy Lyons 1033 Garvin Place Louisville, KY 40203 Dear Ms. Cunningham:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Andrew Melnykovych

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From: kate cunningham
Sent: Wednesday, July 04, 2018 4:29 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Comment on Case 2018-00005; Opposed to Advanced Metering

I am a ratepayer and customer of LG&E and have been, continuously since June, 1996, when I returned to Louisville.

I am opposed to the proposal to spend \$717 million on so-called "advanced metering." Our current meters and meter-readers seem to be working fine. I would prefer that LG&E devote its energies and the money I pay monthly to grid strengthening, pollution control technology, and alternative

energy production (wind, solar, geothermal).

Thank you for your consideration of my views.

Kate Cunningham

8606 Whipps Bend Rd Louisville KY 40222 Dear Mr. Avery:

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From: Sam Avery Sent: Wednesday, July 04, 2018 2:24 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Case 2018-00005

Dear Public Service Commission,

As a long-standing customer of LG&E, I object to asking consumers to pay for a multi-million dollar "advanced meter" program. The money could be much better spent in the inevitable conversion to renewable energy, or left to the consumer.

Sam Avery 2123 Dorothy Ave Louisville KY 40205

From:	Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)
То:	"Aaron Tornes"
Subject:	your comments in case number 2018-00005 - Kentucky Utilities-Louisville Gas & Electric advanced meter case
Date:	Monday, July 23, 2018 11:19:00 AM

If you wish to have your comments placed into the case file, please REPLY TO THIS E-MAIL and provide your place of residence.

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From: Aaron Tornes
Sent: Wednesday, July 04, 2018 11:17 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018 - 00120

Dear Public Service Commission,

I have recently learned that LG&E is proposing a rate increase to consumers of \$717 million over five year for higher-tech, "advanced meters."

As a rate payer who would fund this rate increase I strongly oppose this allocation of consumer dollars. Kentucky needs jobs and this use of rate-payer money would not only lose jobs for meter readers but would also have a giant opportunity cost in the missed opportunity for new jobs. Furthermore, these meters would create no benefit to the consumer (real-time energy tracking, etc.).

I would like to see \$717 million invested in renewable energy in our state. An investment of this magnitude would create hundreds of full time jobs for citizens in need of work to maintain the infrastructure of these renewable energy systems. Additionally, it would likely create thousands of shorter-term jobs to create the needed infrastructure.

Furthermore, Kentucky lags far behind most other states in terms of renewable energy production. Not only is this bad for the health of our land, air and water (and the negative impacts in the health of our children and elderly) but it is an enormous loss to our economy.

I oppose this request of LG&E's and urge you to deny their proposal. Consumer dollars should be spent in ways the benefit the consumer, help those in need employment and safeguard the health of our homes.

Sincerely, Aaron Tornes Dear Ms. Furnish:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Denise Furnish
Sent: Wednesday, July 04, 2018 7:10 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005

Please do not upgrade the metering system you have in place. \$717 Million would be better spent on energy-efficiency, solar power, pollution-control technology or grid strengthening. Denise Furnish 2568 Woodbourne Ave Louisville KY 40205 Dear Ms. Waters:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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-----Original Message-----From: Amy Waters Sent: Wednesday, July 04, 2018 12:11 AM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Case 2018-00005

To whom it may concern at the PSC:

I'm strongly opposed to granting LG&E's request for millions for "advanced" meters. There is nothing wrong with our current meters nor our meter-reading workers. This is not an tech upgrade but a waste of the Commonwealth's money and a ploy to keep customers in the dark about how much energy they are actually using. This money (\$717 million??!!) should be better spent on diversifying our power with solar, solar and more solar. Kentucky is getting left behind in the energy revolution and we have LG&E's red herring money grabbing monopolistic strategies to blame. Please deny them this request and ask them to make some real changes that will benefit the public at large instead of constantly trying to wrest power from the hands of the consumer. They would be nothing without their customers, and the sooner they learn this the better off everyone will be. Thank you for your time,

Amy Waters 539 E Oak St Louisville, KY 40203 Dear Mr. Mog:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Justin Mog
Sent: Tuesday, July 03, 2018 11:47 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment Re: Case 2018-00005

Dear PSC,

I'm writing to object to LG&E's request for PSC approval to assess ratepayers \$717 Million over five years for higher-tech, "advanced meters."

While there may be some minor benefits to advance meters, they are not benefits to the consumers that you are charged with protecting. The benefits would primarily be reaped by LG&E and therefore the costs should be borne by LG&E. Such meters would let the utilities lay off more meter readers and don't provide real-time data to help consumers learn what drives up their bills.

As a citizen, a customer, and a scholar of sustainability, I believe this \$717 million would be better spent on energy-efficiency, solar power, pollution-control technology and/or grid strengthening.

I urge you to deny LG&E's request.

Many thanks, Dr. Justin Mog 800 Goullon Ct. Louisville, KY 40204-2009 Dear Mr. Braden:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Nick Braden
Sent: Tuesday, July 03, 2018 9:00 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005

Please don't allow LG&E to spend millions of dollars on "advanced meters" when that money would be better spent on energy efficiency, pollution control, or strengthening the grid.

Thank you, Nick Braden 1718 Rosewood Ave Louisville, KY 40204 Dear Ms. Kuppersmith:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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-----Original Message-----From: Nancy Kuppersmith Sent: Tuesday, July 03, 2018 8:07 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Case 2018-00005

To whom it mayo concern t the PSC-

I understand that LG&E is seeking approval for advanced metering at the price of \$717 million over 5 years. Since this cost will be passed onto us the consumer, I would rather they spend the money on grid strengthening, energy efficiency, solar power so that we Kyians are able to move to renewable energy. My family wants LG&E to do as much as they can to reduce its impact on global warming/climate change.

Sincerely, Nancy Kuppersmith 2404 Evergreen Rd Louisville Ky 40223

Sent from my iPad

Dear Ms. Cooke:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.Director of Communications Kentucky Public Service Commission 502-782-2564 (direct) or 502-564-3940 (switchboard) 502-330-5981 (cell) Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov

From: Cynthia Cooke
Sent: Monday, July 02, 2018 4:12 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Against Advance Meters

Dear Public Service Commission

I am writing about Case 2018-00005 where LG&E proposes that we, the ratepayers, should pay hundreds of millions of dollars to throw out our meters and replace them with "Advanced Meters". The information does not show that there will be real savings from using these meters. In addition, there are real privacy concerns about these meters that are not at all addressed. Please do not approve the Advanced Metering program as proposed in this case.

Sincerely, Cynthia Cooke 2227 Bashford Manor Ln Louisville Ky 40218 Dear Ms. Fuller:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Amanda Fuller
Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 1:31 AM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Re: case number 2018-00005

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am a Louisville consumer of LG&E You are considering a substantial charge to Louisville customers in Case number 2018-0005, which has total charge that will exceed \$350 million when return on investment in added in and most of that will be in the LG&E area.

Before you decide, you should hold a public hearing in Louisville for us customers to talk about the proposed Advanced Metering System costs and benefits. People in Louisville need the opportunity to hear and to respond.

Before you get an advanced metering system, I would like to see on-bill financing for energy efficiency & renewable energy so that customers can afford to make these improvements to their properties.

Thanks for your time.

--Amanda Fuller 800 Goullon Ct Louisville KY 40204

Este mundo es una bola, y nosotros un bolón.

Dear Ms. Boone:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From:

Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2018 8:38 PM

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

Subject: Kentucky Public Service Commission - case number 2018-00005

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission:

I am a Louisville consumer of LG&E and have been since 1975. I understand LG&E is considering a substantial charge to their Louisville customers in Case number 2018-0005. The figures available concerning this total charge will exceed \$350 million when return on investment is added in and most of that will be in the LG&E area.

Before LG&E moves forward with this project, I encourage the Kentucky Public Service Commission to hold a public hearing in Louisville for all customers to talk about the proposed Advanced Metering System costs and benefits. LG&E's customers in Louisville **request** the opportunity to **be informed** and to respond. No one appreciates being told continuously to just cough-up more money from our wallets at LG&E's sole discretion.

Before LG&E gets an advanced metering system, it seems reasonable to me that

other energy options would be eagerly welcomed by the Kentucky Public Service Commission and even encouraged such as increased use of renewal energies solar, wind, geothermal. It is time to look at less polluting and less expensive options. Subsidizing the same old solutions is not progress and does not deserve any financial supports.

Please advise when and where the public hearings on Case number 2018-0005 will be held.

I appreciate your reading my concerns and look forward to your positive response.

Sincerely, Emily Boone 102 Pope Street Louisville, Kentucky 40206 Dear Ms. Amick:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: Jean Amick [Sent: Monday, July 23, 2018 9:42 AM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Case Related Question

Dear sir or madam,

I am commenting about case number 2018-00005, the "smart metering" case.

As I understand it, utility users who "opt out" of the new meters would be charged an up front fee to NOT buy a new meter, plus monthly fees, presumably to pay for meter reading.

1. Will bills of utility users who don't opt out have monthly rates reduced by the same amount, since they won't require human meter readers?

2. What happens to the jobs of meter readers?

3. What happens when there is an electronic "glitch" in the meter? How will customers be able to double check that readings are accurate? What happens when we lose power?

4. How will meters be protected from hacking?

I am opposed to the current proposal.

Jean D. Amick 40504 Dear M. Howard:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.Kentucky Public Service Commission 502-782-2564 (direct) or 502-564-3940 (switchboard) 502-330-5981 (cell) Andrew.Melnykovych@ky.gov

From: Beth Howard
Sent: Saturday, July 21, 2018 3:28 PM
To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case 2018-00005

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a KU customer and I am writing to express my thoughts on a proposal for LG&E and KU spending money on high tech meters.

- Advanced meters *can* offer valuable information to utilities and customers.For example, they are necessary to shape well-designed "time-of-use" rates, which send price signals to customers and encourage us to use less power during times of peak energy demand. As part of a broader strategy to reduce peak demand, smart-meters and time-of-use rates can help utilities reduce their use of inefficient gas "peaker" plants, which are called into service during really hot afternoons or really cold mornings.
- However, LG&E / KU are not proposing to use advanced meters for those valuable purposes. Instead, the main reason the utilities claim they want to make this investment is to lower labor costs by eliminating jobs now held by people who read meters.
- Before the KY Public Service Commission approves any investment in advanced meters, it should make sure critical public interests are protected. Specifically, the PSC should:

- Hold another public hearing on this case in Lexington, in addition to the one in Louisville.
- Require LG&E/KU to submit a plan showing how they will use advanced meters to reduce pollution and incorporate more clean energy generation in their overall energy mix.
- Require LG&E / KU to offer customers the option of time of use rates that are carefully designed to lower peak demand while minimizing the burden on customers. Any new rate proposal should seek to address and protect the interests of low-income residents, seniors, and other groups with special needs.
- Require LG&E / KU to demonstrate how the data and information provided by advanced meters will be accessible and beneficial to all, including customers without internet service, customers with disabilities, seniors, customers for whom English is not a their primary language, and others.
- Require LG&E / KU to submit a plan for educating all customers about how to access and make use of the information provided by these meters.
- Require LG&E / KU to develop a plan for a Just Transition for workers whose jobs will be lost due to a shift to advanced meters.
- Significantly reduce the monthly "opt-out fees" LG&E / KU propose charging customers who choose not to use advanced meters. KU is proposing a monthly opt-out fee of \$32.45. LG&E wants to charge electric customers \$22.70 and natural gas customers \$21.80 each month if they choose not to use an advanced meter.

• Without these steps, the KY PSC should not approve this expense.

Thank you, Jessica Beth Howard 327 Santa Fe Ct. Lexington, KY 40509

--Beth Howard Kentuckians for the Commonwealth Deputy Organizing Director for Leadership Development She/Her/Hers

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Dear Mr./Ms. Parrish:

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Co. and Louisville Gas & Electric Co. seeking authorization for deployment of an advanced metering system.

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From: CJ Parrish [Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2018 4:44 PM To: PSC - Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Case# 2018-00005

As an LG&E ratepayer, I am writing to express my opposition to the "smart meter" project.

The cost of paying to deploy this new technology is destined to become part of customers' monthly bills. Any savings the utility may realize in the cost of meter reading and more accurate usage numbers timely reflected on customer bills will likely be directed to shareholder profits, not back to customers.

Privacy issues related to this technology not withstanding, the cost of this technology is significant and too high to become a long-term burden to ratepayers. No one opposes our utility using better technology to make its processes, including billing, more economic and efficient. However, customers should not be required to foot the bill without benefiting from any financial savings this technology will create.

Thank you for soliciting public comment on this important matter.

Regards, CJ Parrish 123 N Birchwood Ave Louisville, KY 40206 *Honorable Allyson K Sturgeon Senior Corporate Attorney LG&E and KU Energy LLC 220 West Main Street Louisville, KENTUCKY 40202

*Honorable Iris G Skidmore 415 W. Main Street Suite 2 Frankfort, KENTUCKY 40601

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