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Ky Public Service Commission
Attn: Chairman Michael J. Schmitt
211 Sower Boulevard
P.O. Box 615
Frankfort, Ky. 40602

Subject: Application by Johnson
County Gas Company rate
increase

To: Chairman Michael J. Schmitt

The purpose of this
letter is to intervene or
greatly reduce the rate
increase being requested,
by Johnson County Gas Company
located at 497 George Road
Betsy Wayne, Ky 41605.

I have been advised that
Johnson Co. Gas Co. rates
are already way above
the average of other rates
in Area and State. As you
are aware of Johnson Co
office is in Floyd County
Not Johnson County.

Also if would say you
are aware of Johnson Co.
Gas being in receivership
for several ^{years} due to bankruptcy
Also have been advised
that Bud Rife has been
fined for some violations.
Since Bud Rife has
been President or managing
the company I have no
knowledge of any repairs
or maintenance work being
done in my area. I moved
here in 1975 43 years ago
and to my knowledge my
meter has never been
serviced, checked or changed
out. I asked them several
time to raise my meter
due to some dirt being
filled around it. They never
did I finally raised it
myself. I have also been
advised that PSC requires \$
gas meters to be replaced
every 10 years and checked

for accuracy which they have not done.

Bud Rife and his Company did install a meter for a new house in my area in Spring of 2018. Line was put under County road when drilling under road to install line the blacktop was raised up several inches and damaged. Mr Bud Rife advised me and Neighbors that he would repair damage and level road which has never been done as of this date. Therefore why does he charge \$15⁰⁰ Monthly Customer Charge for if No servicing is being done.

if have been advised that Bud Rife has several other businesses which I am sure he runs out of one office and uses employees for all of them.

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Ask Bud Rife:

- ① Gas Cost going up 43%
Why Customer Charge up 106.92 %
- ② Johnson County Gas purchases gas from Diversified who purchased from EGT in July 2018. Has Diversified increased cost to Johnson Co or sent letter as to going up?
- ③ Do they have to pay Diversified a maintenance monthly fee?
- ④ What is being done now and in past to justify monthly customer charge?
- ⑤ How many customer service calls made in past. None at my house?
- ⑥ Has Diversified Gas applied for a rate increase also or they required to?

If this rate increase is approved, Johnson Co Gas income will increase from about \$145,000.00 to \$280,000.00 annually. How can they justify need for increase. No additional customer services or repairs will be done.

If planned repairs or additional maintenance to lines is needed these should be detailed and presented to PSC and customers. Some repairs may be needed because I have no knowledge of any being done for several years.

Thomas W. Keith
319 Ramey Fork
East Point, Ky. 41216

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28th... will now
income \$ 115,171 per yr

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF JOHNSON COUNTY GAS COMPANY
TO ADJUST RATES FOR NATURAL GAS SERVICE
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY**

December 28th, 2018

735 cost 4137

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Pursuant to the Kentucky Public Service Commission's regulation 807 KAR 5:076, Johnson County Gas Company, Inc. gives notice that an application has been filed on December 28th, 2018, with the Kentucky Public Service Commission seeking approval to adjust its rates for natural gas service. This rate adjustment will apply to all Johnson County Gas Company's customers. If Johnson County Gas Company's application is approved, monthly natural gas bills from Johnson County Gas Company will increase as follows:

<u>Current Residential and Commercial Charges</u>			
	<u>Base Rate</u>	<u>Gas Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
Customer Charge (Monthly)	\$15.00		\$15.00
All MCFs	\$8.6000	\$6.4140	\$15.0140
<u>Proposed Rates</u>			
	<u>Base Rate</u>	<u>Amount of Increase</u>	<u>Percentage of Increase %</u>
Customer Charge (Monthly)	\$15.00	N/A	0%
All MCFs	\$17.7951	\$9.1951	106.92%
		<u>Gas Cost</u>	
		\$6.4140 per MCF	

0.18
x 4
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x 372
8.60
x 4
34.40
13.00
71.40

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8.60 x 4 = 34.40
x 279 = 9597.20
8.60
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The Johnson County Gas Company average customer monthly usage is 4 MCFs per month. In 2017 the customers of Johnson County Gas Company used an average 1240 MCFs per month. The average cost per customer was \$75.06 Based on average usage, the cost will increase \$36.78 per month if the proposed rates are approved by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Johnson County Gas Company, however, the Kentucky Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice.

Any person may submit a timely written request to intervene to the Kentucky Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request and including the status and interest of the party. If the Kentucky Public Service Commission does not receive a request to intervene within thirty (30) days of the initial publication or mailing of this notice, the Kentucky Public Service Commission may take final action on the application. Any comments regarding this application may be submitted through the Commission's Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov/> or by mail to P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

Copies of Johnson County Gas Company's application may be obtained or viewed from Johnson County Gas Company, at 497 George Road, Betsy Layne, KY 41605, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The application and all documents filed with the Kentucky Public Service Commission may be viewed and downloaded at the Kentucky Public Service Commission's Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov/> or a copy can be obtained from the Kentucky Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Other cost increase
115,171.20
40,220
150,391.20
1-012 employees part time 50,000
other... 50,000

Bud Rife
Johnson County Gas Company
President

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x 279
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