Mark & Debra Carter. 1376 Taylor Fork Turkey Creek, KY. 41515.

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October 9, 2020

# PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P.O.Box 615 Frankfort, KY. 40602

Dear Public Service Commission

I have received a proposed rate increase from Peoples Gas KY LLC.

First: I would address the "the offset of \$3.83 for the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Surcredit." To receive the credit you have to file a Federal Income tax return. For some of us that are disabled and do not file a return there will be no offset. Not as good as it sounds on paper.

Second: the Customer Charge is at \$7.50. An increase to \$21.00 is a 180% increase not the the 59% increase that is on the notice. A 59% increases would only be to \$11.92

Thirdly: the Base Rate is at \$2.1322 per Mcf. An increase to \$4.3185 is a increase of 102.5% not the 59% shown in the Proposed Rate increase notice. A 59% increase would only be \$3.3901

Four: For us Peoples Gas is a gas delivery company, they buy the gas from Equable Gas, and never touch it. As you can see in the attached bills the Commodity rate can increase or even double in some months. Putting a strain on fixed income-households.

We ask you the Public Service Commission in considering the people who are on fixed incomes in the Eastern Kentucky areas. We know that there will be increases at times, but such an increase all at once is uncalled for. We notice in the Proposed Rate Increase notice that the whole reason for the increase is the transfer of ownership of People Gas KY LIC. To Delta Natural Gas Company. Just because it depends on a transfer of ownership is not a significant reason for an increase. This matter is totally in your hands, and we ask you to consider the matter with all sincerely. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely yours,

# **)EBRA CARTER**

376 TAYLOR FORK ELFRY KY 41514



**Date Prepared** Next Meter Reading ccount Number For General Information call 1-800-764-0111. For an Emergency call 1-800-400-4271. Dec 26, 2019 01/16 - 01/17/2020 Avoid an estimate - call in a read between 01/16 and by 5 p.m. on 01/17/2020. Monthly Usage Comparison Summary of Basic Charges Average Daily Temperature 2018 2019 Credits And Charges Since Your Last Bill 45.F 41.F For This Billing Period Balance from last bill Payment on DEC 09, 2019 - Thank You Gas Use in MCF Balance 12 Current Charges Kentucky Residential (RS) (NP) 9 Customer Charge -\$7.50 **Delivery Charge** 6 4.8 MCF @ \$2,1322 10.23 18.26 Commodity Charge \$3.8042 per MCF 3 1.08 School Tax \$37.07 0 **Total Current Charges** Total Account Balance Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov 2019 2018 Actual Estimate Customer Read Adjusted Usage Average monthly use: 3.3 MCF Total annual use: 40.1 MCF **Billing Period And Meter Readings** Read Type Difference Date Reading Meter Number 17503526 52.7 4.8 DEC 16, 2019 Actual NOV 14, 2019 Estimate 47.9 4.8 MCF Used in 32 Days

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To the Puplic Service Commission,

Det 8,20

I am Billy Patton, I amon a fixed Budget and have had peoples Gas for years and I received a letter saying that you all are Raising the Bill S9% which is rediculous and cant after that and im sore alot more people agree with me. So that being said, I protest or decline the action going through.

Thank you Billy Patton

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Utt; Executive Director

222 Cow Creek Road Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 October 14, 2020

Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard, P. O. Box 615 Frankfort, Ky. 40602

Re: Peoples Gas "NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE" Date of Mailing October 6, 2020

This letter is to file an objection to the aforementioned Proposed Rate Change.

- 1. The rate change nearly TRIPLES the current rate. This is exorbitant and unreasonable!
- 2. In my case, my gas meter comes directly off the well and is, in fact, the first to do so.
- 3. There should be no expense connected to my service other than making out the bills for us to pay.
- 4. Up until Peoples gas bought out Equitable Gas there was no service charge. A lot of the time I didn't have to pay any bill whatsoever because of how little I had used.
- 5. The \$7.50 Customer Charge is now being asked to increase to \$21.00 per month. This increase is Highway Robbery. My income is \$ 1,089.94 per month from Railroad Retirement. I am 80 years old. With this Covid 19 virus going around, the Gas company should be trying to lower their rates—not triple them.

 Peoples gas is also asking that their Base Rate be increased from \$ 2.1322 to \$ 4.3185, which is more than Double the Current rate.

This is just another example of the RICH GETTING RICHER and the POOR GETTING POORER!

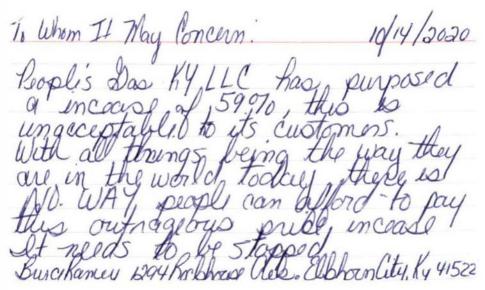
The letter asking for a rate change also indicates that Peoples Gas plans to transfer ownership to Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. after the "Rate Proceeding" concludes. Why is this? Especially since both companies are owned by PNG Companies, LLC. Just how is transferring ownership of two companies—both of which are already owned by the Parent company PNG, of any consequence to the rates in question being accounted for. Is it possible that it would give them a Big Tax exemption or reduction?

I Respectfully ask the PSC to dismiss the Proposed Rate Change as, I am sure, there is no legitimate evidence showing the need for any such ridiculous Rate Increase. I'm sure I represent 100's of other customers who may not reply to the above mentioned letter. The counties who are provided service by this Company, are some of of the highest in unemployment and other financial difficulties in the State of Kentucky. They don't need to be Burdened with any further drains on their income.

Respectfully,

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Janice G. Davis



10-17-20 Public Service Commission KY LLC notice of a possible 39% increase on Service. Solvice. I want to make my voice heard that I feel that is too much of an inclease on the people of this alea. Mast customers live on a fixed income of with all that has gone on this year due to covid-19 it would put many families in a difficult financial strain. I feel that a 10-15% inclease would be a better way to go on this community. Thank you for allowing me to stless my opinion on this matter of I hope it will be considered. 405 Daniels Clerk Von Lear, Ky 41265

10-19-20

I Am Writing you, the P.S.C. in regards to a 59% gas rate increase From Peoples GAS Ky. LLC. It Also states that Peoples GAS Will be taken over by Delta Natural GAS Co. I am a consumed that uses this GAS system + worked 20 years when it was called Equitable Resources. IAm disabled now & retired on a fixed income along with a huge number of friends & old retired co-workers However it has not been increased for sixteen years and we the consumers appreciate this very much. I can understand maybe 10% to 15% percent but not 59%. Hopefully the P.S.C. will look at this very hard for the consumers + Also Reople's BAS look at this for a reasonable rate increase.

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Mr. Donnie L. Maggard 6839 State Highway 194 W. Pikeville, KY 41501 Public Service Connission I use Natural Gas to heat & Cook with. Peophes Gas want to raise the gasbill by 59% Oba mashut the Coal Mines down and Made the PowerCo, to use gas in place of Coal, Now Peop Lesgas want to raise our Bas BILL by 598. 97 TOF Ky's Electricity did come Fr. Coah. Now these gas Co's want to raise our Bills by 59%. This is what Communistlying Joe Boden nants, do away with all Coal, oil & Cowsbecause they pass gas, This is the New Green deal. Biden wants to raise taxes by Triblious of dollars. You people at Public Service Commosion need to do some thing about this proposed raise in Our Natural Gas bill. I am a Retired Coul Miner. I worked about 3 byrs underground foutside rebuilding mine equiprent. I paid into S.S. almost 51 yrears. IN The 1970's 480's Pike Co, was the No. 1 Coapproducing County in The U.S. IN the 20's these - when we were producing all the Coal ? So called Scientist said there wa going to be an I leage. 620, 8: 22 White the Earth remaineth seedtine t harvestand coldandheat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease, Obama believes theice is going to neht, Thats why he paid 15 niklion For a home at Martha's Vineyard. on the ocean! Mr. Donnie L. Maggord

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10-19-2020

Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P. O. Box 615 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602

To Whom It May Concern:

This is our comment concerning the proposed rate increase by Peoples Gas KYLLC/ Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. After reflecting on the magnitude of this proposed rate increase, WE CAN NOT agree for its approval.

We agree that a reasonable increase may be due at this time. It would be more affordable for all concerned. Also, please keep in mind the economic conditions in this area.

Sincerely,

Edwin Collins Beggy Collins

October 18, 2020

Public Service Commission P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602

RE: Notice of Proposed Rate Change (Peoples Gas KY, LLC)

In response to your letter advising that Peoples Gas KY intends to change the rate of providing natural gas as well as transferring ownership to Delta National Gas Company, it seems almost futile to object to the rate change. But, we can only try and be heard.

In the notice it was stated that the PSC may order rates to be charged that differ from the rates in this notice. It would be to our advantage to know what would cause the PSC to order rates that would not be as high as the proposed rates and the estimated 59% increase in our monthly billing. Surely the regulations passed by our previous legislatures have not placed such a huge burden on the gas company that we in turn must bear the brunt of it.

Most homes in this country are on a fixed income, whether the homeowners are still employed outside the home or have come to the place in their lives where they have become unable to work outside the home or have reached retirement. A 59% increase in the monthly billings to all these homes will certainly cause adjustments in their budgets and it will most likely present hardships in most of these homes. We do hope the PSC will take this into consideration and not grant such a large increase in the rates.

We understand and appreciate the challenges in operating a company as our household represents a small business. We realize our expenses and problems do not measure up to a company as large as Peoples Gas; however, we believe a 59% increase for the gas company "sweetens the pot" in the transfer of ownership. This should not come into play in the transfer and should not be passed on to the consumer.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Verv truly yours Nicola Bersaglia

PO Box 454 Bulan, KY 41722 Customer since 1980

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10/15/20 Sally Johnson 500 Old House Br. Rd. Topmost, KY 41862

To the Public Service Commission:

I recived a notice from Peoples Gas Co. of a request for a 59.93% rate increase for Peoples Gas customers. I am writing to ask you to please intervene and to not approve this rate increase. If this were to be approved people will starve and go without other things they need for survival. I already pay anywhere from \$150.00 to sometimes over \$200.00 in winter months and my social sercurity is only \$739.00 per month, and 144.60 of that is automatically took out for medicare which would only leave me with \$595.00 a month to live on. I'd hate to think what I would do if it were not for my husband's social sercurity, and if he were to pass before me. Unfortunately there are so many people that are already stuggling financially and could not survive at such a rate increase as this. Any increase will make it much harder for some people to live.

Thank You,

Sally Johnson

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AT&T Service.Inc Sat 10/17/2020 1:05 PM

Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P O Box 615 Frankfort, Kentucky 41501 40602

To whom it may Concern:

As you know Peoples Gas KY. LLC has before you a proposed Rate Hike, significant increase from their presents rates. I was with this Natural Gas Company when it was Ky and West Virginia Gas, Equitable my father contracted with them in 1957. I have a complete gas home, Heating, Cooking, Hot water, even Clothes Dryer and Emergency Generator. As you know Appalachia Power has asked for and got several increases over the last 10 years. Since we lost the Coal Industry in Pike County Kentucky local taxes are increasing and Fees for Solid Waste and City Water have increased. It's getting hard to make ends meet on a fixed income.

I would only ask that this over 100% increase on the price per McF and and almost 300% price increase on the Customer Charge be evaluated closely. I know they would like to eliminate all the domestic contracts they have. They don't let anyone on Natural Gas in my area and many that have temporarily turned off their gas have lost their contracts...

Thank You for Considering this request,

Larry E. Thacker 1001 Lower Pompey Rd. Shelbiana, Ky. 41562

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10/17/2020

Cynthia Johnson 1374 Left Fork of Long Fork Virgie, KY 41572

October 17, 2020

Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602

Ladies and Gentlemen:

As a customer of People's Gas KY LLC, I am concerned about the increase in rates that People's has requested. The company has requested a 59% rate increase! This is a ridiculous amount given the economic times in which we live. Citizens are already struggling to make ends meet and an increased rate of 59% shows that People's has a lack of concern for their customers--possibly a lack of humanity. I am asking that you step in and intervene on behalf of me and all of us who will be devastated by this unfair increase in rates.

Sincerely,

Conthia Johnson

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To whom it may concern, I am writing this letter in regards to a rate increase ily peoples Mas Ky LLC. I will have to choose between food and her i draw #803." a month, it keep any teat pet on 68 in the day and 64 degrees I might. So your telling me to Conserve, how can el do any better than klam doing. Please el am begging you to refuse this rate increa 'explositas is doing this to they can set e Delta Ratural Das Company. o intice them even more to breeze eoples Das 10 Charging 7,50 for a so much per mc F72.13 More they want 2100 Customer charge and 4,3185 per MCF. I have every statement stub from every erec ilk Paid since il married myhusband of 47 years. There was never a customer Charge of delive.

this happens il have no other charce ipt to freese, Plus in the pummer will have to add \$2100 to my utle have to add \$2100 to my two bill because of the Eustomer that I will have to pay every otth. when is recieved this letter almost threw up. Ever Since it can't eep, all Ido is worry. Please, please pt with them over this. Fight for 2 people that uses Peoplestas. we for the poor, please. Don't and ith the company on this. Please! Belenda Wright 454 Old Blefhiderd Jenkens, Ky. 41537 'leave be compassionate for the poor!

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#### 10/14/2020

To: Public Service commission;

This correspondence is in regard to a filing by Peoples Gas (PNG), Ky LLC, for a rate change to their customers in Ky. In the notification letter I received, their requests are as follows:

- (1) A rate increase for customer service charge, from current rate of \$7.50 to \$21.00. This is nearly triple the current charge. Which is completely outrageous, considering that the only service provided is the bi-monthly reading of my gas meter.
- (2) A gas rate increase from the current rate of \$ 2.13 per mcf to \$ 4.31 per mcf. This is more than double the current rate. National gas prices are at historical lows, but the price paid by Peoples Gas has not changed in the 16yr. time frame.

I can in no way, understand justification for the amount proposed in either of these rate increases.

Thank You,

Darrell L. Smith

Ecc: Copy of Notification letter.

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October 12,2020

To whom It May Concern: We are writing this letter in regards to a letter were recieved 10-9-20 We looked at the chart on the paper you sent. This information is the most rediculous proposal we have seen in our lifetime, Natura Gas is what we burn. It is not imported and Thank God that we have the gas well on our property. By all means, we should get our gas free instead of increasing our bill by 59%. We will not pay a gas bill that has increased by 5970. Free Gas for US I think this is an insult to property owners who have to get the news that a gas bill is "going up" 59%. But again, some companies will try to deal with older people before they will anyone. else.

Haskle Hall is a retired Coal Miner. He Knows what hard work is, but nowadays most will stand around and look for an easier way to get Money from the poor. Hope Hall, Haskle's spouse, is a Retired School Teacher, but did not have the opportunity to complete the 27 years due to illness, She only worked half the years. To save money &, we tried burning Coal for many years, Last September, 2019 I got the news of having lung cancer. Had surgery. Winter 2019-2020 - we used propane + will again this year. We will not or can not pay higher gas bills. We want our gas bill \$ 0.00 monthly P.S. You do use our personal road to get to your well. Cost \$ 0.00 Hasple Steller Hope Hall

Public Service commission 211 Sower Bld. P.O Box 615 Grankfort Ky 40602

I am a senior Citizen. I am asking for your help. I am asking for you not to let my gas company raise my gas rates. Which is 7.50 to 21.00 my last years highest gas bill was 66.98 if you approve the gas raise, my gas bill will be \$294.00 for a person on a fixed income I cannot afford this, that would be almost 36 imes what it is now. Please Do not let this hoppen.

> Thank You. Lavonna Meade 225 Whitaker Rd. Blue River Ky. 41607

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Oct, 9, 2020 105 Whitaker Road Blue Rever, Ky. 41607

Gublic Service Commission 211 Dower Boulevard P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, Ky. 40602 Gentleman: I am writing in regard to the increase in gas prices that Caplis Das Company is proposing. The gas bille will be almost tripled. my biggest gas bill was from Jan. 16, 2020 to Feb. 14, 2020. which was \$ 96. 65. This lacks two days being a full month. If Desplese Has Company is given the opportunity to triple the bill my gas bill could be nearly \$300.00 for the month. This is a ridiculaux increase in my openion. I would appreciate your help if you could keep gas prices as they are at the present.

Dincerely, mildred H. Whiteker

RECEIVED Oct. 12, 2020 OCT 1 5 2020 67 allen Branch Rd. PUBLIC SERVICE Blue River, Hy. 41607 COMMISSION Qublic Service Commission 211 Souver Baulevard Q. O. Boy 615 Frankfort, Hy, 40602 Gentlemen: I am writing in regard to the increase in gas prices that Geople's See Co. in proposing. Ir am a veteran, senior citizens and of course on a fixed income, I understand that gas prices will be almost tripted if the gas company gets its desires met This is an awful increases in my apeniord. Please kelp people with their gas tills by letting gas prices remain the same as they are at the present, Sincerely, Ronald & Burgess