From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	net metering comments
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 9:15:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 19, 2021 4:26 PM
To: PSC Executive Director <PSCED@ky.gov>
Subject: net metering comments

From: Allen Bush
Sent: Friday, February 19, 2021 11:37 AM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <<u>PSC.Info@ky.gov</u>>
Subject: Rate Case

KP Rate Case is 2020-00174 KU Rate Case is 2020-00349 LG&E Rate Case is 2020-00350

My wife and I have a grandfathered solar system in Mercer County.

We are not directly affected by any final determination

whether fair or punitive.

We are, however, proponents of increased residential solar power.

We have long thought, if a 1:1 credit is not fair (The Kentucky legislature took 3 years to determine it wasn't fair), what is fair?

We are not surprised that KP, KU, and LG&E presented a 3.6 cents per KwH credit with no justification.

We currently pay a \$19.00 monthly base to Bluegrass Energy.

We wonder to what extent, as a small, residential solar producer, we are being subsidized by non-renewable, residential customers.

There needs to be sufficient justification.

Shouldn't the health savings of clean energy be factored, also.

We urge you to push the utilities to be forthright and fair.

Allen Bush Rose Cooper 679 Vanarsdall Rd Harrodsburg, KY 40330

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	RE: Case is 2020-00174, 2020-0302, 2020-00349, & 2020-00350
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 9:06:00 AM

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Best Regards,

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From: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 19, 2021 4:17 PM
To: PSC Executive Director <PSCED@ky.gov>
Subject: FW: Case is 2020-00174, 2020-0302, 2020-00349, & 2020-00350

From: Josef WINKLER
Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 10:57 AM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <<u>PSC.Info@ky.gov</u>>
Subject: Case is 2020-00174, 2020-0302, 2020-00349, & 2020-00350

Subject: Case is 2020-00174, 2020-0302, 2020-00349, & 2020-00350

Dear PSC Commissioners Schmitt, Chandler & Dr Mathews

Behind the Meter (BTM) generation is a part of the solution:

As I write, there are millions in Texas without power suffering under freezing conditions. It is being reported that it could be days before the generation comes back online. Many have been quick to blame frozen wind turbines even though turbines in Canada, Europe and other northern states are still spinning. As more details emerge it appears that poor preparation and extreme weather will be proven to be the root cause. Frozen equipment will shut you down no matter if it is wind, natural gas, coal, or nuclear. In the end rate payers are forced to suffer without recourse for decisions out of their control, that is not fair or just.

EVs are coming, GM recently announced in 15 years internal combustion engines will no longer be an option. Other automakers have similar plans. EVs are becoming more widespread every day.

EVs take a lot of energy, Is the Kentucky power grid ready? Is there the available capacity? Is the infrastructure in place adequate? What about increased capacity to absorb steep climate-related spikes in demand for power? How close were Kentucky power plants to shutting down during the latest cold weather? Will we have the same widespread power outages and circular firing squad as we are seeing in Texas?

BTM generation and specifically residential solar can be part of the solution with fair and just Net Metering (NM) policy. EVs connected to a smart grid can smooth out bumps in demand. A Tesla Model S has a 100kWh battery, that's more than enough energy to power my home for days. BTM generation can reduce the loading of lines. BTM generation can decentralize the grid and improve resiliency. BTM generation is a step towards energy independence at an individual level. Solar inverters are now available with emergency power outlets that can produce emergency power even when the grid is down. These benefits as well as environmental and health should be included in any NM ratemaking decisions.

Power companies should be looking to partner with BTM generators as well as customers who own EVs. Regrettably I don't see this, to me it looks like the power companies see BTM generation as a threat and EV owners as profit centers.

Whether we like it, or not big changes are coming for how we generate and use electricity. I am a BTM generator with a solar system grandfathered into the current NM policy and have an EV, so I

am writing with 1st hand knowledge of much of this subject. NM Policy set by the PSC will have impact for years in the future. I encourage the PSC to consider all of the benefits of NM to make a fair and just rate.

Regards,

Josef Winkler

4725 Pleasant Valley Road Philpot, KY 42366

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
To:	
Subject:	KU Rate Case # 2020-00349 and LG&E Case # 2020-00350
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 8:35:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: PSC Consumer Web Inquiry <PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 19, 2021 11:20 AM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: FW: KU Rate Case # 2020-00349 and LG&E Case # 2020-00350

From: Mary Miller Sent: Friday, February 19, 2021 11:09 AM
To: PSC Consumer Web Inquiry < PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov >
Subject: KU Rate Case # 2020-00349 and LG&E Case # 2020-00350

Sent from <u>Mail</u> for Windows 10 Dear Commissioners:

Before any decisions are made regarding the proposals for change KU and LG& E are making , I would like to request that you hold a public hearing. The changes the utilities want to make could have a serious impact on their customers and solar owners. Their voices need to be heard.

Thank you, Mary K. Miller Wilmore, KY

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
To:	
Subject:	2020-00350
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 8:41:00 AM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 19, 2021 4:26 PM
To: PSC Executive Director <PSCED@ky.gov>
Subject: 2020-00350

This is an E-mail I sent to my representative - I would like it entered into the public record as argument against the proposed changes to net metering tariffs.

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Thank you Paul Goodjohn

----- Forwarded message -----From: **Paul Goodjohn** Date: Fri, Feb 19, 2021 at 1:43 PM Subject: Solar power problems To: ______>

Hi there - I'm not sure if you are aware of the current state of play in Kentucky (specifically

Oldham County) for home solar power, but right now it's under serious threat of being strangled in its cradle by LG&E and the other Kentucky utility companies. The legislature in its wisdom (and before your term) decided to move away from the previous simple approach (where if I generate a unit of power and feed it to the grid, I get a credit of a unit of power on my bill). That was SB100, which was opposed several times but rammed through in 2019 with massive lobbying.

The approach now is that the Kentucky Public Service Commission gets to arbitrate the rates the utility companies pay for power, with the utility company buying power at much less than the rate they sell it.

This has a couple of disadvantages to the customer - first, obviously they are getting much less benefit from their investment. But also, since they are now being paid money for power rather than it being a credit against future usage there is a tax consequence as well, since this now counts as income.

The biggest issue I have with these changes, however, is related to the utility companies greed and the level of compensation they want to pay and receive.

Not content with the requested 11.8% increase for electricity supply (nearly 6 times the rate of inflation) they also want to cut the compensation for home solar from the current 9.8 cents to 3.6 cents per unit of power - that's cutting it by over 60%! Further, even though their request was turned down by the PSC, they still get a do-over in May - how many times if a case gets thrown out of court does the plaintiff get several bites at the apple?

I would appreciate it if you could take a quick look into this - it seems on its face to be clear evidence of the utility abusing its monopoly position and hurting all of us. I am happy to talk further about this subject if it would help.

Many thanks, Paul Goodjohn 6900 Payton Lane, Crestwood KY 40014

Further reading: Net meter reform: https://dailyenergyinsider.com/policy/28038-formal-hearings-get-under-way-on-kentuckypowers-net-metering-reform-request/ Public comment on the PSC case: https://www.sesre.com/public-comment-on-net-metering-rate-cases/ General solar power information: https://github.com/paulgoodjohn/SolarPowerClass

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	RE: LG&E-KU Rate Case 2020-00350 / 2020-00349
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 8:50:00 AM

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Company and Louisville Gas and Electric Company. Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration. Please cite the case numbers in this matter, 2020-00349 and/or 2020-00350, in any further correspondence. The documents in these cases are available at <u>View Case Filings for: 2020-00349</u> (ky.gov) and <u>View Case Filings for: 2020-00350</u> (ky.gov).

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

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From: Susanna P
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 5:38 PM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: LG&E-KU Rate Case 2020-00350 / 2020-00349

Good afternoon,

As a Kentuckian, I am writing to express my concern about the LG&E case 2020-00350 and the KU case 2020-00349. These rate increases come at a time when so many people in our state are having extra financial struggles from the effects of the pandemic. I do not think that LG&E/KU should be allowed to raise basic service charges, most particularly because such rate increases have more effect on already disadvantaged people, such as those on low or fixed incomes.

Furthermore, with the current climate crisis and other environmental issues, sustainable energy should be encouraged and supported as much as possible. LG&E/KU's proposed changes to solar net metering should be rejected, because they greatly reduce the value of solar energy provided to the grid. We need *more* support for solar energy in Kentucky, so that clean energy is accessible within our state.

Thank you, Susanna Pyatt 110 S. Kennett Ave. Bardstown, KY 40004

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	RE: case # 2020-00350
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 8:55:00 AM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: Sue Finley

Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 2:22 PM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Cc: rateintervention <rateintervention@ky.gov>
Subject: case # 2020-00350

Dear LG&E,

I am a long time LG&E customer and have recently signed up to contribute to your solar array by buying into the shares because I believe it is an ethical decision to combat global warming. I am against the case number 2020-00350 application to raise rates that will put a burden on low income people who are struggling to pay their monthly bills and will penalize those who want to invest in rooftop solar. Please reconsider this application and find a more equitable and civically responsible solution.

Thank You, Sue Finley

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	RE: case number 2020-00350
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 8:57:00 AM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: Mia Coleman

Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 2:53 PM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Cc: rateintervention <rateintervention@ky.gov>
Subject: case number 2020-00350

Good Afternoon, Please freeze the rates, not the people!

The last 12 months have hurt Kentuckians.

Higher energy rates will freeze out first responders, the disabled, the elderly, veterans, children, as well as other poor folks, leaving them all more vulnerable to catching and spreading COVID19.

A state full of workers and voters needs to keep warm in winter and cool in summer. Please do not raise the rates.

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Mia Coleman

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
To:	
Subject:	RE: Gas & Electric Rate Increase
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 8:57:00 AM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: Sue Albright

Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 2:54 PM To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Gas & Electric Rate Increase

I am very opposed to these rate increases during a period of extreme unemployment and pandemic. I'm retired and doing ok. It's the young families that I see struggling with child care, unemployment, health care, food costs and more. New property assessments are coming this spring. There has been no increase in wages in 30 years and we have fewer and fewer jobs. These times require a holistic view, not just a one sector decision to raise rates. A worried Grandmother.

Margaret Sue Albright

218 S. Ewing Av

Louisville, Ky 40206

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
To:	
Subject:	RE: LG&E Rate Increase - case number 2020-00350
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 8:58:00 AM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: Mike Bland

Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 8:16 PM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Cc: rateintervention <rateintervention@ky.gov>
Subject: LG&E Rate Increase - case number 2020-00350

Dear PSC Members,

I'd like to express my concerns about the proposed LG&E/KU rate increase and the attempt to inhibit solar energy in Kentucky.

1. It's wrong to jack up rates and disconnect fees when so many people are hurting.

2. LG&E / KU's proposal is unfair to low-income folks and communities of color.

3. LG&E and KU, it seems, also seek to rig the rules so only they can benefit from low-cost solar.

4. The KY Public Service Commission should hold accessible public hearings on the issue and give the public at least two weeks notice of said hearings.

5. LG&E / KU's proposed changes to solar net metering will undermine the market for rooftop solar, discouraging customers from investing in solar and knee-capping local solar businesses. These changes should be rejected. We have a limited number of mountain tops in Kentucky that we can remove for coal.

6. The PSC should not allow LG&E and KU to pile increases on the basic service charge that customers pay, regardless of how much energy they use.

7. This is the third rate increase sought by LG&E/KU in the last four years. When the people you serve start getting a 10% increase in their paychecks EVERY year, maybe then a

rate increase will be justified.

Thank you for your consideration!

Respectfully,

Joseph Bland 5811 Lovers Lane, Louisville, KY 40299

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From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	RE: LG&E, KU rate increases
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 8:55:00 AM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

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From: Betsy Ruhe

Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 6:35 PM To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: LG&E, KU rate increases

I am a customer of LG&E and want my voice heard as you listen to the utilities' sob stories about how they need to raise rates avoid paying fair rates for electricity generated by homeowners.

I had solar panels installed two years ago at great expense. According to the estimates from my installer I have enough panels to meet my needs as calculated over an entire year. I find it remarkable that, even so, I have yet to see a month where I generate more energy than I consume, even during the spring and fall when I haven't had air conditioning on. The solar panels seem to have had no effect on my electric bills. I complained to LG&E and asked to have my meter checked. They did, and very little change in my balance has occurred. I believe I am being cheated but have no recourse since they are only utility supplier in town.

I am operating in good faith but it doesn't feel like they are. We need renewable energy and it has to made affordable. What I'm getting is not affordable. It needs to change.

Betsy Ruhe

Educator

Community Organizer

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	RE: NO RATE INCREASES
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 8:56:00 AM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: Lisa Elliott

Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 1:16 PM To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: NO RATE INCREASES

I am an LG&E customer and I'm writing to ask the PSC to NOT allow LG&E/KU to institute wage increases! I can be reached at 502.510.7315 if you would like to discuss.

Respectfully,

Lisa M. Elliott 40214

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	RE: proposal to rage energy rates
Date:	Monday, February 22, 2021 8:56:00 AM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

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From: Kenneth Karem
Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 11:22 AM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: proposal to rage energy rates

Dear Sirs,

I am a customer of LGE & KU . Fortunately, I can pay my utility bills. But during these horrible pandemic times where people cannot pay their energy bill, have enough food to eat, and cannot pay their rent, I think it is absolutely the wrong time to raise energy rates. Sincerely Kenny Karem 738 Wicklow Rd Louisville, KY 40207 Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
To:	
Subject:	RE: 2020-00350 Solar Power Net Metering
Date:	Friday, February 26, 2021 4:00:00 PM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

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From: John McNulty

Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 8:13 AMTo: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>Subject: 2020-00350 Solar Power Net Metering

2020-00350 Solar Power Net Metering

I would like to express my objection to changes being proposed by the Kentucky Public Service Commission regarding the amount credited by my local electric utility company to domestic solar power producers like myself.

At the moment I am credited for every excess unit that I return to the grid at the same cost that it takes me to buy a unit. I cannot ever make a profit (unlike the utility), but I can offset my electricity costs. I regard this as a fair exchange since, like the utility, I have invested and risked time and money building a generating capacity that hopefully benefits myself and the public at large.

Electricity generating utilities themselves benefit from subsidies to encourage customers, particularly in very hot summer months, to cut electricity usage to avoid statewide brown-outs due to heavy demand that can affect all of its customers. It is at this time that I produce most of my excess power which is fed back into the grid, and this undoubtedly alleviates some of that problem.

I and so many others who have invested in solar power are a net benefit to these utilities because we help them provide power to commercial and domestic customers when it is most needed, and even in the winter months when the sun is shining after a storm, solar power continues to generate electricity lessening the load on the grid.

These proposals will discourage homeowners like myself from investing in solar power at a critical time when alternative energy generating capacity is essential for all of us in the Commonwealth, and I hope you will carefully look at these proposals and assess the detrimental impact it will have on the citizens of Kentucky.

Sincerely

John McNulty 7301 Payton Lane (Hy 393) Crestwood, Ky 40014

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	RE: Case Number: 2020-00350 (LG&E) Case Number: 2020-00349 (KU)
Date:	Friday, February 26, 2021 3:58:00 PM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter. Best Regards,

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From: bakerfirst

Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 9:03 PM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: Case Number: 2020-00350 (LG&E) Case Number: 2020-00349 (KU)

Case Number: <u>2020-00350</u> (LG&E), Case Number: <u>2020-00349</u> (KU)

This is not the time to raise our electric bills by any amount. We have lost lives and jobs and the economy is stalled and raising our expenses at this time is a terrible idea. People with lower income are struggling to feed their children and this hike will disproportionately affect those who have less than others in our community. The energy burden is already unaffordable for too many of our citizens.

Deanna Rushing

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From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
To:	
Subject:	RE: Comment on Case #2020-00350
Date:	Friday, February 26, 2021 4:01:00 PM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

-----Original Message-----From: Mark Schoonmaker Sent: Wednesday, February 24, 2021 1:13 PM To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Comment on Case #2020-00350

Dear Public Service Commission,

My name is Mark Schoonmaker and I reside at 1804 Corona Ct. Louisville, KY 40222.

I am opposed to the proposed LG&E rate hike on the grounds that the company should have been doing infrastructure upgrades all along as the normal cost of doing business rather than waiting for a global pandemic to try and sneak the rate increases in when people are distracted by many other financial and health concerns.

Thank you for attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Mark Schoonmaker

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	RE: Electricity rates
Date:	Friday, February 26, 2021 3:58:00 PM

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Company and Louisville Gas and Electric Company. Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration. Please cite the case numbers in this matter, 2020-00349 and/or 2020-00350, in any further correspondence. The documents in these cases are available at <u>View Case Filings for: 2020-00349 (ky.gov)</u> and <u>View Case Filings for: 2020-00350 (ky.gov)</u>.

Thank you for your interest in this matter. Best Regards,

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From: Eileen Custy SL Sent: Wednesday, February 24, 2021 2:12 PM To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov> Subject: Electricity rates

> I am very concerned about the impact of these two case on people who are already suffering financial difficulties because of the CoVid19 virus. People have lost their jobs or had to cut back on hours. They are struggling. Do the rates have to be raised at this time? It just seems like one more burden on people who are already hurting financially. Please vote no on these two cases.

- Case Number: <u>2020-00350</u> (LG&E)
- Case Number: <u>2020-00349</u> (KU)

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
То:	
Subject:	RE: LG&E rate hikes
Date:	Friday, February 26, 2021 4:00:00 PM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: James gregory Kuhns
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 5:15 PM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>
Subject: LG&E rate hikes

Now is not the time for increasing electricity rates or taking away our options for lowering our bills! This effects us personally.

Louisville Gas and Electric wants to raise average residential electricity bills by \$11.74 per month, an increase of 11.8%. LG&E also proposes to increase residential gas bills by \$6.17 / month, an increase of 9.4%.

The companies are proposing a bill credit that will slightly reduce the impact of their rate increase during the first year. But this will only reduce the increase by .7% for KU customers and by 3% for LG&E customers, and only for 1 year.

Please have a public hearing.

James "Greg" Kuhns,Sr. M.D. 622 Maryhill Ln. Louisville, KY 40207 Cell:

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
To:	
Subject:	RE: Maintaining solar payback credits
Date:	Friday, February 26, 2021 4:00:00 PM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: Ted Stone
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 1:00 PM
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>

Subject: Maintaining solar payback credits

I am a great believer in Public Service Commissions to serve the public. There is no public issue of more gravity than global warming. I understand as one with solar panels on my roof I am dependent on LGE and I pay them for services of connection and maintaining their infrastructure. But I also feel that the energy I generate should be compensated for fully at a one-to-one ratio. I have my owns risks and infrastructure costs.

We must do everything possible to minimize our carbon footprint. Policy for the public good says promote solar.

Thanks, Edward Stone, , 2830 Tremon

, 2830 Tremont Dr. Louisville, KY 40205

From:	Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director
To:	
Subject:	RE: Public Service Commission: case number 2020-00350
Date:	Friday, February 26, 2021 4:00:00 PM

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From:

Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 9:05 AM

To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>; rateintervention <rateintervention@ky.gov> **Subject:** Public Service Commission: case number 2020-00350

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing today in response to the proposed increases in rates by LG&E and KU. While I understand that companies have to raise rates over time in response to the changing economy, as a homeowner who lost his job due to a complete industry shutdown caused by the pandemic, this is a terrible time to raise rates when so many Kentuckians have been effected by the economic crisis Covid-19 has created. Thousands upon thousands of people are seeking assistance to pay their bills and prevent losing their homes right now as it is.

The service fee changes proposed are nearly double what LG&E customers paid in 2012. Even when considering inflation, this is an oversized bump in costs. Very few working people double their income over the course of 8 years.

These rates increases aside, I find the most damning piece of this proposal is the effect it will have on the affordable transition to home solar power usage. While I do believe we need to support power and fuel companies transitioning away from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources, I don't agree with creating effectual monopolies in the industry. LG&E is more than welcome to build a solar array field. The government could potentially subsidize that. But, rigging the system to prevent homeowners from reaping the benefits of lower cost energy sourcing is absolutely not okay and against free market enterprise.

Lastly, none of this should happen without public forum. These are public utilities. Citizens pay for this. Hearings need to be held so that citizens can voice their concerns.

Thank you,

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

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I am writing to state that an LG&E rate hike is simply a bad decision given the timing with unemployment and the still unknowns with this pandemic. Likewise, the expected future inflation, interest rate increases and government instability to cover these costs associated with this pandemic makes for a dire and uncertain future financially for us all. Researching the money that the owners of LG&E continuously make in profits, it only tells the people of this commonwealth that if they are allowed the rate increase, it just further instills that politics are in hand and corruption within your ranks do not represent us at all. Please be an advocate for the people and do now allow LG&E to put a further burden on those you are serving. Thank you

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