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LETTER TO THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
PROTESTING LG&E RATE INCREASES
RE: PSC Case no. 2020-00350

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ON BEHALF OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS, CAPTIVE TO LG&E
ELECTRIC RATES, WE OBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING LG&E PROPOSALS:

1. RAISING the Residential USAGE RATES that profits LG&E by 19% for electric and 32% for gas IS UNFAIR.

This proposal will place an unfair hardship on members of our Neighborhood and on low and moderate income people during a pandemic. Additional increases out of LG&E control on the cost of natural gas will only make things worse.

2. RAISING the BASE RATE for gas and electric to \$1.30 per day IS UNFAIR.

This 18% increase from \$33.46 to \$39.54/month on our base rate fee means the utility makes MORE money no matter how LITTLE energy customers use! This proposal discourages our Neighborhood people from saving energy, investing in efficiency, and makes it harder for many households to manage their bills by conserving energy, some of whom live on a Social Security income of less than \$1000 per month.

3. CHARGING us for 'smart meters' IS UNFAIR.

This proposal provides no real value over existing meters to residential customers and requires internet access which many do not have. LG&E wants us to pay their approximately total cost of \$400 million!

4. DEVALUING Net Metering IS UNFAIR .

This LG&E proposal lowers payment to 2 cents per kwh for the electricity generated by families with solar panels, but charges 10.5 cents for the electricity they must buy. This proposal will hurt homeowners who currently have or who want to install solar panels and leave us more vulnerable to grid failure like in Texas. And it will kill jobs in Kentucky's fledgling solar industry.

The PSC should schedule a public hearing before burdening us.

In agreement with the above:

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