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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

Case No. 2020-00350

Dear Public Service Commission:

I have received the undated notice of LG&E's intent to increase their rates by nearly 12%. This is a travesty in this year of a health pandemic, widespread unemployment, increasing homelessness and untold disruption of lives. And to send this so as to be received just before Christmas? Really? Are they hoping it gets lost in the lonely celebration of the holiday?

Most of the notice might as well have been written in Ancient Greek it was that unfathomable. However, these percentages of increase in rates makes it very difficult for seniors like myself to make ends meet. Every year our meager increase in social security is eaten up by increases in insurance premiums. On my water bill, I use \$20 worth of water yet my bill is \$125. I could go on and on.

Please, please, do not approve this increase in gas and electric rates.

Thank you for your serious consideration and analysis of this outrageous rate increase request at this most difficult time.

Sincerely,

Sally Coin Prospect, KY 40059

Dec 28, 2020

Public Service Commission Post Office Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602 RECEIVED JAN 04 2021 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In regards to Case No. 2020-00350

I am requesting a serious reconsideration of increasing rates for customers of LG&E. The state is enveloped by the Covid 19 pandemic. Unemployment rates are the highest since the 1930s. Citizens are being evicted from rental homes and apartments as their credit and savings are depleted. The lines at Food Banks have reached unimaginable length. Citizens struggling under these circumstances will not be focused on your notice of rate increases which arrived between Christmas and New Year during the Pandemic of 2020.

This rate increase is a demonstrable demonstration of your interest in profits and no consideration of the suffering occurring among the citizens of Kentucky.

The average increase of \$19.91 per month is coming to people when they can not afford any increase. As a public utility, this insensitivity is beyond belief.

One suggestion is that this increase come from businesses, corporations and horse racing if this increase is so vital to your profits. Please put this burden on them, not the citizens of the Commonwealth.

Respectfully,

Jarganet S. allinght

Margaret S. Albright 218 South Ewing Avenue Louisville, Ky 40206

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, Ky. 40602-0615 ATTN: Michael Schmitt RECEIVED JAN 04 2021 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

December 27, 2020

Dear Mr. Schmitt,

I am writing to advise against granting a rate increase to LG&E.

I am an Engineer and owner of Legacy gas wells in the state. It is almost certain that LG&E is enjoying the lowest fuel costs in generations. Natural gas and coal remain priced at near historic lows. I know I am receiving no revenue from my properties. In fact, the wells are currently in arears on a cost/maintenance basis. Further, many residents are suffering unemployment and financial struggles arising from the pandemic and lockdowns.

Please bear these facts in mind when the Commission votes.

Sincerely,

David Beck

David Beck 1104 Meadowridge Trl Goshen, Ky. 40026

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

29 December, 2020

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

RE: Case #2020-00350

To the Public Service Commission:

I am a customer of LG&E and am adamantly opposed to their recent request for approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission to increase electricity and gas charges by 11.6% and 8.3%, respectively. If approved, the rate increase would be the third in the past four years. To increase rates at a time when so many customers and businesses are struggling financially is reprehensible and shameful.

Businesses and utilities always pass their increased costs to customers. To whom can the individual struggling to make ends meet turn to pay for these additional costs? Their employer? Fat chance. It is time for utilities to suck it up for a change and reduce their own internal costs and operate more efficiently before gouging their customers.

LG&E, MSD, and JCPS (to name only three) are notorious for requesting rate and/or tax increases nearly annually. I and many others will vigorously support legislation to require that any such requests be voted on by the public.

Christophin M. Block

Cc: Louisville Gas & Electric Company File **Richard Bean** 

5514 Tecumseh Circle

Louisville, KY

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

December 30, 2020

Public Service Commission

211 Sower Blvd

P O Box 615

Frankfort, KY 40602

Names and Sirs:

Please deny the rate increase requested by **LG&E**. Just because they are a monopoly should not give them the right to do as they please. Maybe they should consider cost controls on their end. (Advertising, raises, pension, entertainment). They spend a fortune on TV ads and they have no compititon???

Even Social Security was again limited. 2020 increase 1.6% and 2021 increase 1.3%. Why should they get 9 times as much as what the government says COLA is/was.

For the sake of sanity, please deny this.

Sincerely,

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