

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Case #2020-00350  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 8:03:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
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To: PSC Executive Director <[PSCED@ky.gov](mailto:PSCED@ky.gov)>  
Subject: FW: Case #2020-00350

-----Original Message-----

From: Sharon Peariso <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Sunday, April 11, 2021 5:59 PM  
To: PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
Subject: Case #2020-00350

The proposed rate increase by LG&E will make life more difficult for those who are most adversely affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. Many people, including my elderly mother, have had a dependency on an oxygen concentrator to keep them alive. The elderly have been confined to their homes for a year, making life difficult. They have hardly had any increase in Social Security income for 2021 (1.3%), and LG&E proposes an increase in electric rates of 11.8%! This will definitely affect their ability to pay for food and medicine. Although most people of the "greatest generation" know how to be quite frugal, the proposed rate increases are attached to the basic monthly service charge, which makes it impossible for them to control any part of this by austere living. This is definitely not in the public interest, and would adversely affect the well-being of many. As a senior

citizen on a fixed income, I feel that now is not the time to punish everyone who is just barely hanging on financially in order to allow the utility company to make a 10% profit.

Sharon Peariso

Louisville, KY

Love is the beauty of the soul.

**From:** Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Case Related Question 2020-00350 (LG&E)  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 8:02:00 AM

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**From:** David Gassman <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 10, 2021 5:19 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case Related Question 2020-00350 (LG&E)

My name is David Gassman Sr. I live at 14106 Bentley Court, Louisville, Kentucky., 40245.

I am commenting about the requested LG&E rate increases. They are requesting to raise average residential bill by 11.8% and gas bills by 9.4%. They are also greatly reducing the credit for rooftop solar, this discouraging alternative energy methods. As

a retiree, these frequent exorbitant rate increases put a real hurt on my family. I never get any raise on my earned pension!

I also dislike that they do not encourage folks to seek out alternative, environmental friendly power methods.

Please do not allow this increase to happen. Now is not the time!

Thank you

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**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: comments in case 2020-00350 LG&E rate adjustment  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 8:10:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [LGE comments.pdf](#)

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To the Commission:

Please place the attached comments into the file for the above-referenced case.

Thank you.

Andrew Melnykovich  
Louisville KY

To the Kentucky Public Service Commission:

My name is Andrew Melnykovych. I reside at 12004 Running Creek Road, Louisville, KY 40243.

I am submitting these comments on the application of Louisville Gas and Electric Co. (LG&E) for an adjustment in rates and other matters, PSC Case No. 2020-00350.

I am an electric-only customer of LG&E, receiving net-metered service as of March of this year, having installed a solar energy system with a capacity of about 9.5 kiloWatts.

For the most part, LG&E is a very well-run utility. It provides safe and reliable service to its customers and makes generally prudent investment in infrastructure. Through several changes of ownership in the past two decades, LG&E has remained active and involved in the Louisville-area community. Within the context of the energy and environmental policies set by the Kentucky General Assembly, LG&E has been more progressive than most utilities in the state in recognizing the realities of global climate change and the need to move quickly to reduce carbon emissions. That recognition is reflected in this application through the revised projected retirement dates for the coal-burning power plants operated by LG&E and Kentucky Utilities Co.

Nevertheless, I have a number of concerns regarding LG&E's application.

First, and most generally, I believe that the timing of this request for a significant rate increase is inappropriate, given the economic damage wrought by the COVID19 pandemic. Although measures taken to ameliorate that damage, notably moratoria on evictions and utility disconnections, have reduced the some of the impact on low-income Kentuckians, many people are still struggling to meet their basic daily needs.

A day of reckoning is inevitable. The expiration of the moratoria will saddle many residents of the Louisville area with immediate and unmanageable debt, likely forcing them into impossible personal financial choices. An increase in utility rates will only exacerbate the financial problems many customers will face.

When LG&E filed this application, there was hope that the pandemic might be over and the economy moving toward to normal by the expiration of the suspension period. Although the situation is likely to be much improved, a return to pre-COVID economic conditions will take considerable time, and may in fact extend beyond the expiration of the surcredit LG&E has proposed as a way to mitigate the immediate rate impact until the middle of next year.

Corporate investors in general have been immunized to a great degree from the impacts of COVID19, as equity markets have soared despite the pandemic. The S&P 500 is up 22% from levels immediately before the pandemic. I would suggest that it may be time for a portion of the economic burden imposed by COVID19 on ordinary ratepayers to be borne as well by utility shareholders.

One way in which to do this would be to reduce the targeted rate of return requested by LG&E. Although interest rates have risen somewhat in the last 15 months, they are still at extraordinarily low levels. In the current lending environment, LG&E's requested ROE of 10 percent is excessive. A modest reduction of about 50 basis points would have a measurable benefit for customers while negligibly affecting the financial well-being of LG&E's parent company and its shareholders.

The impact on ratepayers also could be reduced by reallocating the surcredit to extend beyond the 12-month period proposed by LG&E. Combined with a reduction in ROE, this could defer any substantial rate impacts until 2023.

My second concern regards the renewed proposal by LG&E to install Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) throughout its system. I believe that AMI is inevitable and has the potential to greatly improve system functions and efficiency while offering ratepayers better information that will allow them to manage their energy usage more effectively. I do not believe that "smart" meters pose a health threat. Like any other information management system, particularly one that depends on wireless technology, AMI has cyber security vulnerabilities. The PSC should require that any deployment of AMI be accompanied by a robust effort to protect it against unauthorized intrusion.

With that said, my experience with LG&E's smart meter pilot program does not inspire a great deal of confidence. LG&E installed a smart meter at my home several years ago. Even though – at least in theory – that meter should have a remote-read capability, an LG&E meter reader still has to come to my house every month to read the meter. I would have thought that the pilot program would have at least attempted to read meters remotely, if for no other reason than to test the system capabilities and attempt to quantify cost savings.

Furthermore, the pilot program smart meters do not provide real-time data on consumption. As I write these comments, the "dashboard" that I can access online (though not through LG&E's new phone application) lags between nine and 12 hours behind my usage, depending on the time interval I have selected. In contrast, my solar panel system provides data in nearly real time.

If smart meters are to be truly effective in helping consumers manage energy usage – particularly if variable rates are in use – there will need to be a substantial improvement in the quality of data provided. If the AMI proposal is approved, the PSC should require that LG&E make it more useful for its customers, not just for the utility.

However, I generally agree with witness testimony in the record that argues that deployment of AMI for all electric customers may be premature, given the age and depreciation status of LG&E's existing metering infrastructure.

I support LG&E's request to introduce AMR technology for its natural gas customers. Given the physical access issues involved with reading many of its gas meters, installing AMR offers the opportunity to achieve substantial improvements in efficiency and reductions in cost.

My third concern is with LG&E's proposed rate structure, specifically the continuing move toward higher fixed monthly charges.

As the Commission understands better than anyone, the notion of a rate structure that fully reflects fixed and variable costs through fixed and variable rates is an accounting ideal that is likely unachievable from a practical and policy perspective. Rate design involves a balancing of equities within a context of policy goals. Rates that are "fair, just and reasonable" are not necessarily going to be those rates that meet some accounting ideal.

The testimony submitted in this case offers a variety of analyses that support both increasing and decreasing the current LG&E fixed daily charge for electric service. These competing arguments prove little beyond the notion that the result one desires can be achieved through the judicious selection of cost figures, assumptions and calculations. I suspect that a fully objective assessment would likely favor a higher, rather than lower, fixed charge.

However, that does not mean that a substantial increase in the fixed charge is sound public policy. I would submit that providing consumers with the ability to manage their energy costs is sound public policy. One need look no farther than the demand-side management statute to see that giving customers the ability to reduce energy usage – either on their own initiative or because of utility incentives – is enshrined in state law as sound public policy.

Every increase in fixed charges, at the expense of variable charges, reduces that ability and decreases the rate of return on investments made by the consumers in energy efficiency, conservation and distributed generation such as solar power systems.

An argument is made that embedding the recovery of a portion of fixed costs in the consumption-based variable portion of the electric bill creates subsidies. That is surely the case – high-volume users are indeed subsidizing low-volume customers.

That subsidy is but one of many within existing rate structures, both across and within customer classes. The demand-side management statute is clearest example of a within-class subsidy: all residential customers pay a DSM surcharge (and may eventually benefit from system-wide load reductions that reduce or defer need for new generation), but only those who avail themselves of the DSM programs receive the direct benefit and are thus subsidized by the non-participating members of the class.

Subsidies are nothing other than a reflection of public policies and priorities. The same is true of rate structures. I would urge the PSC to adopt a rate structure for LG&E that best represents balanced and sound public policies.



My final concern is with LG&E's proposed revision to its net metering rate. I urge the Commission to reject it and to not allow any reduction in the current net metering rate, whether it is denominated in dollars or kilowatt-hours.

Since rooftop solar installations represent nearly the entire universe of net-metered customers on the LG&E system, they will be the frame of reference for my comments on this topic.

LG&E is proposing to treat rooftop solar systems, for purposes of cost structure and compensation, in the same way it treats the power generation facilities – whether company-owned or as sources of purchased power – that feed into the base of its system. That treatment is absurd on its face and in defiance of the laws of physics.

The power produced by a generating facility at the base of the LG&E system uses, in effect (electrons being what they are and following the path of least resistance as they do), the entirety of LG&E's transmission and distribution system. That includes switchyards, high-voltage transmission lines, substations, transformers, medium and low-voltage distribution lines, etc. There are undeniable costs associated with those facilities, and the final retail power rate reflects those costs.

The electrons that my solar power system produces in excess of my consumption at a given time will travel no farther than the next nearest load – likely my nearest neighbor. That is simple physics. Those electrons will use, at most, a transformer and a few hundred feet of service line. The cost of those facilities to LG&E is inconsequential in the context of the utility's entire system.

Yet LG&E is proposing to compensate me at its wholesale power rate, while charging my neighbor the full retail rate for electrons that cost the utility nothing to produce and almost nothing to deliver.

For the same reason, it is specious to argue that net-metering customers are being subsidized by other customers, since there is essentially no incremental cost to subsidize. Net-metered customers pay the same fixed monthly charge as all others. If net metering was denominated in dollars, rather than kilowatt-hours, and net-metered customers could defray a portion or all of their fixed charges, there might be some merit to the subsidy argument. If anything, the argument makes the case for continued use of kWh as the offset standard.

It is true that net-metered customers, because of their lower overall usage, are being subsidized by high-usage customers with respect only to that portion of the variable charge that goes to defray LG&E's fixed costs. In that respect, they are no different than any other low-usage residential consumer – whether it someone living in a small apartment, someone with an ultra-efficient larger home, or someone with multiple homes who lives in their LG&E-served residence for only a portion of the year. They should not be singled out solely due to having invested their money solar energy.

It is equally specious to argue that net-metered customers impose an additional burden, cost or otherwise, on LG&E. At the current – and as-yet-unachieved - cap of 1 percent of total load on net-metering capacity, the aggregate impact of net metering on the LG&E system, both financially and operationally, is tiny. The bulk of excess net-metered power flows through an infinitesimally small portion of the distribution grid.

Do the benefits of net metering for LG&E outweigh the costs? I don't know and can't say whether LG&E should be paying me a bonus for the power I produce. I am reasonably certain that when the inevitable day arrives that utilities in Kentucky are required to make and account for reductions in their carbon dioxide emissions, LG&E will be quick to claim credit for the many thousands of tons of emission reductions accruing from rooftop solar systems in which they have not invested one thin dime.

And that, Commissioners, strikes me as the nub of the issue at hand. LG&E's profits, its ROE, stem from the capital investments made in its infrastructure. Generating capacity that LG&E does not own produces no profits. If LG&E buys power from the grid – from large third-party producers – it can legitimately recover the cost of the infrastructure needed to transmit and distribute that power.

In contrast, LG&E has no investment in rooftop solar systems and at best a minuscule investment in the equipment needed to get any excess power from those systems to the nearest load. No investment equals no ROE equals no profit under the current net metering framework.

LG&E can only earn a profit from rooftop solar by purchasing solar power at a discount and selling it at a higher price – with all of the mark-up pure profit, since there is no incremental cost incurred by the utility in the sale of the power. That is what it proposes to do in this application.

That is hardly cost-based ratemaking and is manifestly unfair to future net metering customers. It would certainly discourage financially motivated investment in rooftop solar power, and it does no favors for those like myself who invest in solar because we believe that it is the right thing to do in the face of the looming global climate catastrophe.

The desire to cripple rooftop solar motivated LG&E and other utilities to work to change the Kentucky net metering statute to favor themselves over customers who invest in net metering. It is all about controlling the means of production.

Thankfully, the General Assembly made the PSC the final arbiter of net metering rates. I urge the PSC to use its ratemaking authority wisely, and to either reject the LG&E proposal outright or to modify it to reflect the true costs and benefits of net metering.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Andrew Melnykovich

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: LG&E/KU rate increase  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 8:01:00 AM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Patricia Oliver [REDACTED] >  
Sent: Saturday, April 10, 2021 1:27 PM  
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: LG&E/KU rate increase

KU case#2020-00349 and LG&E case #2020-00350 should not go forth. A 10.67% raise in residential electric bills per month plus a raise in gas bills by 9.4% is prohibitive. Why? I doubt employees are receiving raises. Too many citizens are still out of work. Absolutely no more than 1 or 2 % at most. Don't do it.

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Proposed rate hike for electricity and natural gas; rate cases, 2020-00349 & 2020-00350  
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**From:** Lannie [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 9, 2021 4:52 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Proposed rate hike for electricity and natural gas; rate cases, 2020-00349 & 2020-00350

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**Subject:** Proposed rate hike for electricity and natural gas

PSC Board Members,

While I fully appreciate the inherent rate of inflation, these rate increases coupled with basic meter costs are unreasonable and unfair.

At 73 and a retired Energy and Environmental engineer I've spent my entire life leaving a small a footprint as possible on this planet and that includes minimizing my fossil fuel consumption. It's disheartening to be penalized for positive behavior and becoming more costly on a fixed income,

I believe this is the third double digit rate hike request in 4 years. My sense is this is KU's (PPL) attempt to pay for their merger cost than about legitimate operating cost needs. Monopolies have no true incentive to be competitive!

Please hold KU and LG&E to task. Rates should reflect inflation, not corporate

bonuses! Sales should reflect consumption, not a zero maintenance meter! It won't be too many more years before my meter cost will be greater than my actual energy use!

Thank you for considering my input.  
Langdon Sproul Jr.  
Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
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**Subject:** FW:

**From:** Barry Miller [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 12, 2021 3:31 PM  
**To:** PSC Consumer Web Inquiry <[PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:**

In reference to Case #2020-00350 and Case # 2020-003499:

This is not the time for an increase. The most obvious reason being that our state is in the middle of COVID -19. People are out of work, and many cannot find jobs. My personal reason for not increasing your rates (again!) is that my wife and I are retired and on fixed income. I would suggest that you find a way to pay your bills by cutting expenses in some way, at least temporarily, until this pandemic is under control. I ask the question: Do you have to operate at 100% profit at this time?

Other than to justify pure greed, why are you punishing people who want to find alternative

and sensible ways to use energy? Why are you punishing customers who want to use rooftop solar power? Why are you raising your reconnection fees? Be a good "public service". Be a good neighbor. I do understand that as a business, you need to make profit. There must be other ways to make your profit. You have intelligent people in your companies. Use them.  
Thank you, Barry Miller

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
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**From:** Guy Genoud [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 12, 2021 6:44 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case 2020-00350

To Whom it may concern,

The raise planned by LG&E will have some major damages on all commercial customers and even more on restaurants which have been under a major economic hardship for the past year due to the pandemic.

This is again just a proposal to destroy the hospitality industry, just to ensure that the LG&E stockholders make a little more profit.

This is just ridiculous and despicable, as we are already paying a much higher rate than all residential customers.

Thank you for understanding my position as I am trying to keep afloat my business and keep employment for 20 people who need to support their families.

Sincerely yours,

Guy Genoud



Owner

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**Subject:** Case 2020-00350



Commissioners::

The rate and usage hikes being proposed by LG&E would be a financial hardship on many families in Kentucky. Especially on families like mine where both my husband and I are retired and on a fixed income. LG&E's monopoly powers guarantees it a profit. That same grant of monopoly should give its customers a guarantee of affordable, essential services.

Increasing energy conservation and efficiency have been sound public policies in place in our state for decades. Any increases to LG&E must be justified by supporting those policies by going onto usage charges. Doing otherwise is unfair to customers who invest in efficiency or solar panels, turn their thermostats down, put on a sweater, and other energy saving acts. The proposed service charge rate would

have many customers feeling that energy conservation by them is futile.

A similar poke in the eye to saving our environment is the requested 80% reduction in the LG&E credit paid for rooftop solar power. This proposed reduction would make installation of “net metering” rooftop solar power uneconomical for a huge number of Kentuckians.

Such a reduction in the value of rooftop solar energy would permit LG&E to restrict a customer's ability to produce their own power and control their energy costs. The solar industry currently employs 1,400 good-paying jobs in the Commonwealth and has enormous potential for future job growth as our state ranks only 49th in homes powered by rooftop solar.

The proposed price reduction would eliminate the financial incentive for Kentucky rooftop solar development. It would undermine the intent of the current law to protect customer choice and add stability to the growing rooftop solar market.

An additional reason to maintain a viable rooftop solar industry in the state is that it would maintain Kentucky's competitiveness in attracting new business relocations whose employees could use affordable rooftop solar the same as people do in 30 other net metering-friendly states.

The rate and usage hikes being proposed by LG&E would be a financial hardship on many families in Kentucky. especially on families like mine where both my husband and I are retired and on a fixed income. LG&E's monopoly powers guarantee it a profit. That same grant of monopoly should give its customers a guarantee of affordable, essential services.

Increasing energy conservation and efficiency have been sound public policies in place in our state for decades. Any increases to LG&E must be justified by supporting those policies by going onto usage charges. Doing otherwise is unfair to customers who invest in efficiency or in solar panels, turn their thermostats down, put on a sweater, and other energy saving acts. The proposed service charge rate would have many customers feeling that energy conservation by them is futile.

A similar poke in the eye to saving our environment is the requested 80% reduction in the LG&E credit paid for rooftop solar power. This proposed reduction would make installation of “net metering” rooftop solar power uneconomical for a huge number of Kentuckians.

Such a reduction in the value of rooftop solar energy would permit LG&E to restrict a customer's ability to produce their own power and control their energy costs. The solar industry currently employs 1,400 good-paying jobs in the Commonwealth and has enormous potential for future job growth as our state ranks only 49th in homes powered by rooftop solar.

The proposed price reduction would eliminate the financial incentive for Kentucky rooftop solar development. It would undermine the intent of the current law to protect customer choice and add stability to the growing rooftop solar market.

An additional reason to maintain a viable rooftop solar industry in the state is that it would maintain Kentucky's competitiveness in attracting new business relocations whose employees could use affordable rooftop solar the same as people do in 30 other net metering-friendly states.

Respectfully,

Jo Ann Reilly

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: PSC - OPPOSITION LETTER CASE #2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:37:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [3-23-21 from Mike.pdf](#)

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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

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**From:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 4:18 PM  
**To:** PSC Executive Director <[PSCED@ky.gov](mailto:PSCED@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: PSC - OPPOSITION LETTER CASE #2020-00350

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**From:** Gary Watrous [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 13, 2021 7:23 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** PSC - OPPOSITION LETTER CASE #2020-00350

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Dear Public Service Commission,

Please read this attached protest letter into the public record for case #2020-00350.

Best Wishes,

Gary

*Gary Watrous, Architect, LEED AP*

*Watrous Associates Architects, PSC*

*2711 W. Main St.*

*Louisville, KY 40212*



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

**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.**

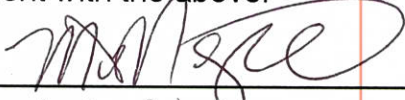
This proposal provides no real value over existing meters to residential customers and requires internet access which many do not have. LG&E wants us to pay their approximately total cost of \$400 million!

**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:

(signed)   
date: 3-4-2021

(print) Mike Neagle

President: Portland Now, Inc. Neighborhood  
Association

c/o  
(Address) 537 N. 26th St. Louisville, KY 40212

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: #2020-00349 and #2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:43:00 PM

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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 [View Case Filings for: 2020-00349 \(ky.gov\)](#) and [View Case Filings for: 2020-00350 \(ky.gov\)](#).

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: Leslie Petersen [REDACTED]  
Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 8:51 AM  
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: #2020-00349 and #2020-00350

Good morning, my name is Leslie Petersen and I am a 30 year old married mother of two little boys here in Louisville! After months of playing catch up with several of our bills including our LGE & KU bills from winter. Not being able to pay a 250 dollar bill from the month of December-March is very much a reality for me and my family. Now I'm reading that those rates are about to go up again. I was quite curious about how anyone in their right might believes that this is a morally sound decision considering we are STILL in a global pandemic and this email may be jumbled and confusing to read but I am so mad that you guys may let this happen!

Leslie Petersen  
[REDACTED]  
212 Marytena dr  
Louisville, ky 40214



**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case # 2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:36:00 PM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner  
Administrative Branch Manager  
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**From:** Peggyl Lapinski [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 8:29 AM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case # 2020-00350

The increase requested by LG&E is outrageous. I am retired and on a fixed income. My income is dwindling due to none existent interest rates on savings and all the other increases at the grocery store, for gasoline, medicine, property taxes and etc. There is no way I can afford to pay 13% more in electricity, 16% in gas plus \$.20 per day charge for what ever.

Please consider the financial situations of the citizens of KY when making your decision. Thank you.

Margaret L. Lapinski  
4301 Winchester Road  
Louisville, KY 40207

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case #2020-00350 LG&E Rate Raise  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:35:00 PM

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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

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**From:** Michael Riggs [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 2:52 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case #2020-00350 LG&E Rate Raise

I am firmly opposed to this level of rate increase for L G & E. This amount of increase would slow the paybacks on those who have invested in energy efficiency, renewable energy sources, and solar panels, etc.

The timing for this level of increase not good idea.

Michael A. Riggs  
2804 Hunters Branch Drive  
Louisville, Kentucky 40241

[REDACTED]

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case #2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:35:00 PM

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**From:** Horace Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 9:59 AM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** Case #2020-00350

I can't believe that LG&E would even consider asking for an increase. If they are having problems financially they should look at the pay scale of their executives and how inefficient they run their business!

Horace Brow  
8624 Wooded Glen Rd, Louisville, KY 40220

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case #2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:42:00 PM

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Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner  
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**From:** Tom Devore [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 12, 2021 3:11 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case #2020-00350

My name is Thomas Devore, and my wife feel that the proposed rate changes and increasing basic monthly service charges by LG&E to be both ill-timed and excessive. We are both seniors on a minimal fixed income and the utility company raising monthly charges is a burden we cannot afford. This also comes during the pandemic crisis and is both unfeeling and cruel.

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case 2020-00350 - I oppose!  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:35:00 PM

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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

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**From:** Nancy Church [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 2:39 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case 2020-00350 - I oppose!

LG&E's proposal will **negatively** impact me and all residential customers. I oppose this proposal!

The average family's utility bill would increase by \$277 per year...for what???

Residential customers would see a \$0.20 per day rise in mandatory services fees BEFORE any energy is used.

Residential customers would see a 13% increase in electricity usage cost, and a 16% increase in natural gas usage costs...for what???

The proposal would slow paybacks on any investment I make or have made in energy efficiency, solar panels, and other renewable energy sources.

**STOP THIS PROPOSAL!!!**

Sincerely,

Nancy Wellendorff Church  
4717 Chiswick Court

Louisville, KY 40207



**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case 2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:42:00 PM

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Brandon Bruner  
Administrative Branch Manager  
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Frankfort, KY 40601

**From:** Brian Holton [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 12, 2021 3:10 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** Case 2020-00350

I'm one of the owners of Monnik Beer Co in the Germantown neighborhood of Louisville. 2020 was the worst year in my business' history and now is not the time for us to see a hike in utilities. A rate increase for our gas and electric would simply add to the stress of the Covid19 damage that we're still recovering from.

Brian

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case 2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:39:00 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: DiFabio [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, April 13, 2021 11:44 AM  
To: PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
Subject: Case 2020-00350

An increase of any amount to necessary utilities such as gas and electric could not only cost me money but my business too which is the livelihood of not only my husband and myself, but our employees too. The past year has been nothing but hardships on the restaurant industry and to add more expenses is not only cruel but punishment to us and our customers as they will be the ones who have to help pay for LG&Es greed. They have a captive audience of hostages who have no choice but to pay and now they want to make more money without a care to whom it will harm.

Caity DiFabio  
DiFabio'a Casapela  
2311 Frankfort Ave  
Louisville, KY 40206  
[REDACTED]



**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case 2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:39:00 PM

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Best Regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Lucy Volk [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, April 13, 2021 11:53 AM  
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Case 2020-00350

It is enough to Punished commercial customers with the highest rates. It is Discrimination. We are small business and working very hard. You Monopolistic company without ANY competitor!!!! Shame on you. You are doing whatever and wherever you want to do!!!

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case 2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:39:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [Letter re solar power.pdf](#)

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 13, 2021 2:24 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case 2020-00350

Attached you will find a letter I would like the Public Service Commission to consider in their deliberations regarding LG&E's proposed rate changes. I am an LG&E customer who lives in Louisville, KY and also has a rooftop solar installation, all explained in the attached letter.

Helen Deines  
4318 Saint Regis Lane  
Louisville KY 40220

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Helen G. Deines  
4318 Saint Regis Lane  
Louisville, KY 40220

Kentucky Public Utilities Commission  
211 Sower Boulevard  
Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

RE: CASE 2020-00350


Honorable Commissioners of the Public Service Commission,

I write as a Louisville homeowner, LG & E customer, who installed a rooftop solar system a few years ago, in hopes of reducing carbon emissions and saving money (a win-win). I am confident that you will not only represent my interests in these proceedings, but more especially the needs of my poor neighbors.

1. By raising mandatory, monthly fixed services 15-20%, LG & E will be robbing the poor to pay the rich. Kentucky Youth Advocates' most recent KIDS COUNT DATA BOOK (2018)—*before the pandemic*—shows that 24.2% of Jefferson County's children live below the poverty level. The domino effect of this change on poor families, local non-profits and local governments would again be income redistribution from all sorts of citizens to one monopoly. Indefensible.
2. In the case of our personal rooftop solar installation, LG & E agreed to pay us market price for the excess electricity our system generated. Since our original rooftop solar installation, most months we produce more power than we use, paying LG & E only the required electric fee. We add excess power to the grid and contribute to a healthier Kentucky. We used our savings to benefit both our community and our family, and LG & E signed on to that decision.
3. Now LG & E proposes to pay rooftop solar owners 4 to 5 times less for our excess and sell it back to us when we need it for 4 to 5 times more. Again, this in the face of an agreement to purchase our excess at market rate. This seems really out of balance.
4. The Kentucky Constitution's Bill of Rights (1891), Section 10, parallels the US Constitution, saying our property is secure within our homes unless the government has a warrant to seize it. Monopolies need to be cautious about how they demonstrate "good faith" in deeds as well as words. Trust is a hard-earned commodity. Right now I have little faith in those making the "big decisions" for this utility.

I so hope Commissioners recognize that Kentucky solar production is an arena where "we the people" have been the leaders. We learned about going solar at our church, as an act to care for our planet and especially the most vulnerable persons living among us.

Thank you for your consideration of this complex matter,

Helen Deines  
  
Louisville, Kentucky

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case 2020-00350  
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General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission  
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Frankfort, KY 40601

**From:** Pat Hagan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 7:43 AM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case 2020-00350

I am writing to express my objection and concerns about the rate increase proposed by LG&E. My name is Patrick Hagan and I am the owner/manager of Bluegrass Brewing Company at 300 W Main St in Louisville, Ky. The past year has been a huge struggle with the Covid pandemic and most of the year I thought I would be filing for bankruptcy. From March of 2020 until February of 2021 we were closed a total of 8 months. When we did open in the fall our sales were down 75-80%. Since February business has picked up but because of continued Covid restrictions we are still down approximately 60%. My landlord has been kind enough to reduce our rent by 50%, or we would not still be in business. If you allow LG&E to raise rates on everyone it will just make it more difficult to survive. I do not see how Kentucky regulators could even think about allowing this increase with the current economic conditions. Doing so would hurt many businesses as well as individuals who are already having a hard time paying for food and rent. How could you even think of raising their Guaranteed rate of profit when local businesses have no such guarantee. It seems like every time LG&E asks for a rare increase they receive it. Please do not pass this increase and set Kentucky further back with our already devastated economy.

Pat Hagan  
President

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case 2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:35:00 PM

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Frankfort, KY 40601

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 4:28 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case 2020-00350

Dear Sir/Madam,

I own a small business (Econo Lodge) in downtown Louisville. Last year, we kept our property closed for most of the year and our business was down by more than 80% compared to 2019. But still our LG &E bill was quite high and the bill was down by just 30%. We called the LG&E as well as the Utility commission and I was not happy with answers. Please do not let them raise the rates as it has been taking a big financial toll on our business.

Our Property address:  
Econo Lodge  
401 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Louisville, KY 40202.

I am against any raise of rates by LG&E.

Thank you  
Jay Patel

Sohum Hospitality Management  
12045 Illinois St.  
Carmel, IN 46032



**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
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**From:** Albright Christopher [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 12, 2021 12:46 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case 2020-00350

Public Service Commission:

My name is Chris Albright and I am an Owner/Operator of three McDonald locations in Louisville KY. My company name and addresses are below:

4Bright Management, LLC.  
4949 Old Brownsboro Road, #176  
Louisville KY 40222

McDonald's St. Matthews  
Manor  
5015 Shelbyville Road  
Louisville KY 40207

McDonald's Nulu  
420 E. Market Street  
Louisville KY 40202

McDonald's Holiday  
4940 Brownsboro Road  
Louisville KY 40222

An increase each year by LG&E is always tough on a small margin businesses like mine, but this proposed increase by LG&E will almost determine that we may need to close some of our stores. Small businesses are being bombarded with increases from all vendors because they know the

volume has decreased during Covid, but everyone wants to make it up on the back of their customers. We can't just double our prices to cover every utilities desire to cover their shortfall when the Kentucky government is still restricting our ability to do business as usual.


I would like to please ask that you balance LG&E's monopoly powers and guaranteed profits with the reason it was created: to provide affordable, essential services.

Thank you for your consideration.

Chris Albright

Owner/Operator – McDonald's | **4Bright Management, LLC**

4949 Old Brownsboro Road, #176 | Louisville KY 40222



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**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: case number 2020-00350 LG&E  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:34:00 PM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

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**From:** Donna Floyd [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 12:12 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** case number 2020-00350 LG&E

I am asking for you to deny the rate increase for LGE. This is their 3rd hike in 4 years. We are in a pandemic, leading to record unemployment and LG&E has the audacity to request another rate increase. I have also uncovered a court hearing, involving LG&E and their plan to pose rate hikes on the citizens, to cover the cost for pipeline for Beams Distillery. I have included a link (below) for you to view the court documents and findings. Please deny another rate increase. This is a burden on elders, people on fixed income, and the average working person.

Ralph Willis  
3105 E Hebron Ln  
Shepherdsville KY 40165

Here you will find the court documents.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/578618079166856/permalink/1419254505103205/>

[Bullitt County 411 \(uncensored\)](#)

Vanessa Allen shared a post.

[www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: case number 2020-00350  
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**From:** Charlie Casper [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 13, 2021 11:28 AM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** case number 2020-00350

I am emailing you regarding a critical rate increase per the above case number. As an affordable housing advocate in Louisville, Kentucky, our not-for-profit housing group has rented renovated homes to low income individuals largely in the Smoketown and Shelby Park neighborhoods. In our 25 year experience dealing with those on marginal incomes, we are well aware of the huge impact that utilities charges adversely affect the budgets of these hard working individuals, many of whom can't make ends meet even working two jobs.

The increases in natural gas and electricity will drive many of these renters into default or utility shutoffs, adversely affecting health, education of their children, and greatly increasing the threat of relocation.

Please consider the most vulnerable citizens when you debate the need of these significant utility increases, particularly in the midst of the covid-19 pandemic.

Thank you for your attention.

Charles M. Casp  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case Related Question "Case#2020-00350"  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:35:00 PM

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**From:** Rhonda Cottner [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 12:51 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case Related Question "Case#2020-00350"

My name is Rhonda Cottner, and I live at 2612 Marguerite Drive in Louisville, KY 40216. I am writing to **strongly oppose** the latest proposal by LG&E to raise rates. It will be very difficult for me, a senior citizen with a fixed income, to pay higher gas and electric bills. It seems to me that LG&E has raised rates every year for the last few years. I try very hard to keep my utility costs down by turning my thermostat down in the winter and keeping it warmer in my house in the summer. I have also tried to lower my utility bills by getting insulation in my attic and replacing drafty windows with new ones, but it is increasingly difficult for me to keep my utility costs down when LG&E keeps raising rates. A 13% increase in electricity use and a 16% increase in natural gas use is **unacceptable** anytime, but especially now, when president Biden wants to raise taxes.

Thank you,  
Rhonda Cottner  
2612 Marguerite Drive  
Louisville, KY 40216

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

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**From:** Mick Savkovich [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 12:35 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case# 2020-00350

Milan Savkovich  
9202 Trentham Lane  
Louisville, KY 40242

- I oppose the LGE rate increase for residential customers.
- I propose an increase of 10% for commercial customers.
- I propose a discount of 5% to commercial customers who reduce their heating and cooling temperatures by 5 degrees after work hours as long as employees are not present.

Thank you,

Milan Savkovich

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Case#2020-00350  
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**From:** Jerrie Wooley [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 7:29 AM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case#2020-00350

Hello. My husband & I are retired & simply cannot adjust to a rate hike as you have planned. Consider what KY has just been through in 2020 & give us a break from rate increases & stress. Thank you for reading this.

Howard & Jerrie Wooley  
2704 Sharon Way  
Louisville KY 40220

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**From:** John Fischer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 7:44 AM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Case#2020-00350

I write to protest the significant rate increase proposed by LG&E. It is far too much in a time of straightened circumstances for most people. It should be denied.

John E. Fischer  
2204 Alta Avenue  
Louisville, KY 40205

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Input for hearing on LG&E Case 2020-00350, April 13 - 15, 2021  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:41:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [LGECASE0421.pdf](#)

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**From:** Bill [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 13, 2021 9:34 AM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Cc:** Bill <[wmdeines@twc.com](mailto:wmdeines@twc.com)>  
**Subject:** Input for hearing on LG&E Case 2020-00350, April 13 - 15, 2021

Thank you for your serious consideration of my input. William H. Deines.

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

**Attention:** Kentucky Public Services Commission Reviewers of LG&E Case # 2020-00350 (and associated cases KU # 2020-00349 and KPC # 2020-0074).

**Topic:** LG&E proposal for 80% reduction in credit paid for rooftop solar power.

**Summary:** Do not approve the LG&E proposal. Maintain the current pricing of LG&E net metering.

**Rationale for rejecting the LG&E proposal:**

- This LG&E proposal is a breach of contract by LG&E; it negates the good faith efforts of current and future owners of rooftop solar panel systems.
- In our situation, we used funds from our retirement savings to purchase our rooftop solar system, with the promise of it paying for itself over the long term.
- And very importantly, we purchased our system as a major part of our commitment to reducing reliance on non-renewal energy sources and to protecting the environment for us and for future generations.
- Further, we are helping sustain and grow the solar industry and create many stable and well-paying jobs in Kentucky.
- Also, the LG&E proposal appears to violate existing law that protects customer choice.
- The LG&E proposal demonstrates LG&E's lack of respect for Kentuckians and for the environment. It showcases LG&E arrogance and corporate greed and lack of fairness, foresight, creativity, and community responsibility.

Throughout this three-day proceeding, additional compelling reasons for rejecting LG&E's proposal will be presented. We all are placing our trust in the PSC's wisdom, experience, objectivity, and fairness to arrive at the correct solution to this issue, unencumbered by any past/present Energy Industry associations.

**Recommendation:** We ask that the PSC reject the LG&E proposal described in Case #2020-00350.

(Respectfully, William Deines, 4318 St. Regis Lane, Louisville KY 40220, [REDACTED].)



**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: LG&E case#2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:43:00 PM

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**From:** Leonard Dwenger [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 12, 2021 12:25 PM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** LG&E case#2020-00350

Dear Sir (Ms):

I am a Vietnam vet, retired from the Department of Veterans Affairs and solar roof panel owner. Why, especially in the middle of a pandemic you would even consider foisting a service increase. Obviously, the profit from this action supersedes the hardship placed on the taxpayer. A large segment of ratepayers will not be able to afford basic services. They will suffer making choices of feeding their family or keeping the lights on. This is not right when the only reason for increase is to increase shareholder value.

To do this in the middle of a raging pandemic. How do you expect people to follow CDC guidelines if they can't afford to keep the lights on at home? It will extend the misery and endanger the health of everyone.

By decreasing the net rate monitoring, it disincentives alternative sources of energy and increases our vulnerability to climate change. The profit that LG&E makes from this will be dwarfed by the cost that we all will pay down the road for cleaning up the environment. The rate payer will pay doubly, now for the sake of short term profit and the future damage that will occur if we don't incentivise sustainable energy.

I risked my life for this country and was willing to sacrifice it. Patriotism for LG&E is making it harder for me and others to live. Who cares what happens to our state and country? It won't affect our shareholders. Shareholders win and Kentucky and the US lose!

Do not carry through with this increase. It will cause irreversible damage to our citizens, our state, country and the world.

Sincerely,  
Leonard R. Dwenger  
1207 E. Broadway  
Louisville, Kentucky 40204

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: LG&E rate increase Case Number 2020-00350  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:41:00 PM

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**From:** Todd Brashear [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 13, 2021 8:40 AM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Cc:** Marzian, Mary Lou (State Rep.) (LRC) <marylou.marzian@lrc.ky.gov>; McGarvey, Morgan (State Sen.) (LRC) <Morgan.McGarvey@LRC.KY.GOV>  
**Subject:** LG&E rate increase Case Number 2020-00350

To Whom It May Concern,

I wanted to voice my opinion that now is not the time for LG&E to increase their rates (the third rate hike in four years) and to devalue the rooftop solar credit. I recently purchased solar panels for my roof and did this with the 1:1 kilowatt value in mind.

The way the rate increase is incorporated into the basic monthly service charge makes it harder on people of lower income and those who are attempting to decrease their energy usage. The increase in the reconnection fee is especially ridiculous during the time of a global pandemic.

I personally have collected unemployment, gotten two PPP loans, and a grant in order to stay afloat during this pandemic. I have also sold a piece of commercial real estate in order to provide more economic stability for my family.

It offends me that LG&E would choose to do the opposite of belt tightening and try to increase the burden on their customers, I assume to give their stockholders a better return.

A lot of people are still suffering and will continue suffering before things return to normal. I don't think LG&E should be allowed to raise these rates anytime soon. And when they are allowed to raise their rates I think they should only be allowed to raise them through their rates, not their service fees.

Sincerely,

Christopher Todd Brashear  
1811 Princeton Dr  
Louisville, KY 40205

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: LG&E/KU rate increase (Case# 2020-00350)  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Dan Chesser [REDACTED]  
Sent: Wednesday, April 14, 2021 11:41 AM  
To: PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
Subject: LG&E/KU rate increase (Case# 2020-00350)

I would like to go on record that I strongly oppose this proposed rate increase by LG&E/KU. They have not sufficiently proven need for the increase, especially during a pandemic when we all are making sacrifices. A 13% increase on electricity and 16% increase on natural gas will create a hardship to many Kentuckians. And the payback proposal on solar energy will stifle future investments in the renewable energy sources growth.

Reviewing LG&E/KU's financial summary to future investors, they show a net income of 1.47B in 2020, a profit margin of 19.31%. They have grown their margin of profit over 4% since 2017, though down 3% from 2019 before pandemic. In the four year period (2017-2020) they indicate a net income of 6.18B. That averages to 20.1% profit margin for the four years. Still not too shabby being in a pandemic, yet they want to grow that margin for investors on the backs of middle class Kentuckians.

This is textbook greed and the PSC should not allow it to happen.

Dan Chesser

9709 Springwater Ct.  
Louisville, Kentucky 40229

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: LGE rate increase  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Donna Helmick [REDACTED]  
Sent: Wednesday, April 14, 2021 5:10 AM  
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: LGE rate increase

I am against a rate increase of this size. As a senior citizen on a fixed income \$100's of dollar a year increases mean doing without medication in order to have heat and air. I have a respiratory issue that necessitates a constant climate control.

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Please stop this!  
**Date:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:36:00 PM

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**From:** Jim Cox [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 7:45 AM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <[PSC.Info@ky.gov](mailto:PSC.Info@ky.gov)>  
**Subject:** Please stop this!

Please don't vote to allow LG&E to impose sharply higher fees on the citizens it serves. While this will harm tens of thousands of people if passed it will particularly interrupt the lives of low-income Kentuckians who can't afford such increases. Tell LG&E officials to live within their budget by making direct reductions to their bottom line if necessary. Belt-tightening is better than adding to the financial woes of many Kentuckians who cannot handle the proposed significant rise. Thank you for what you do for us.

Jim Cox  
202 S. Evergreen Rd.  
Middletown, KY 40243

[REDACTED]



**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: rate hikes Case #2020-003350  
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**From:** Colleen Reasor [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 13, 2021 11:11 AM  
**To:** PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
**Subject:** rate hikes Case #2020-003350

I am writing this email in re. to the rate hikes as proposed by LG&E. Case # 2020-00350 Now is not the time for rate hikes. I am on a fixed income and these hikes will adversely affect me financially. Not only will these hikes be difficult due to my limited income but they come at a time when Covid has made it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to supplement my fixed income. In addition it is not the time to take away the options I have for lowering my utility bills.

Considering these factors, I ask that you rule in favor of the public interest and protect the necessity for affordability, especially at these difficult economic times.

M.Colleen Reasor

**From:** [Bruner, Brandon S \(PSC\)](#) on behalf of [PSC Executive Director](#)  
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From: Wilma Owens [REDACTED]  
Sent: Wednesday, April 14, 2021 7:39 AM  
To: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>  
Subject: Rate increase

The rate increase is a bad idea when everyone is trying to recover from the pandemic of 2020. Also it will cause a burden on people like myself that are retired & on a fixed income. Thank you for reading!  
Wilma Owens

Sent from my iPhone

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