

From: [PSC Public Comment](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098
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From: Beth Howard [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, December 8, 2022 7:45 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan: EKPC needs to recognize the realities of changing weather conditions and that prices are rapidly increasing for customers. We can embrace technology, use more solar and lower costs for customers. Many customers can't afford to pay their electric bill, pay rent and put food on the table. EKPC can do more to help customers be able to afford our electricity. It's urgent that you lower costs and use more solar.

Sincerely,
Beth Howard
[REDACTED]
327 Santa Fe Ct Lexington KY 40509
[REDACTED]
Licking Valley RECC

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To: [REDACTED]
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From: Janette Rogers [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 2:48 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

I have solar panels on my home and love them. I hope your 15 year plan includes an effort to make them more accessible for all income levels. Also think the roofs of our hundreds of warehouses being built would be a great investment.

Thank you

Janette Rogers

[REDACTED]
1130 Cedar Grove Rd
Cox's Creek Ky 40013
Salt River Electric

Sincerely,
Janette Rogers

[REDACTED]
1130 Cedar Grove Rd
[REDACTED]
Salt River Electric

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From: Bill Conn [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 2:37 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

EKPC's sustainability plan is a lot of words with minimal action. We need to see a real plan to reach ambitious sustainability goals in the near-term. Investments in sustainability initiatives like energy efficiency and rooftop solar can actually lower system costs for everyone. For example, Ouachita Electric Cooperative in Arkansas has done exactly this over the last decade and lowered rates for every customer by 4.5 percent. They have proven that energy efficiency investments and rooftop solar not only help the customer but also help the utility and the entire community.

Sincerely,
Bill Conn

[REDACTED]
1460 New Zion Rd, address line 2 (optional), Williamsburg, KY, 40769, US

[REDACTED]
RCCC

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From: Bonnie Mack [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 2:37 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan. I'm struggling to make it now. Since retiring from the Kentucky department of Corrections, things have become impossible to afford. Another increase and I may very well be homeless

Sincerely,
Bonnie Mack
[REDACTED]
1818 fallen Timber rd
[REDACTED]
Shelby

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From: [PSC Public Comment](#)
To: [REDACTED]
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From: Philip Curd [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 1:44 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan
Wow! In 15 years EKPC will still be burning coal to produce electricity? Fossil-based energy production is contributing to climate change, and we are all paying for it.

Sincerely,
Philip Curd
[REDACTED]
PO Box 330
[REDACTED]
Jackson Energy

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From: Joy Miracle [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 1:40 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

I would like to see the EKPC so more to lower costs and promote renewable energy.

Sincerely,
Joy Miracle
[REDACTED]
1066 Spurlock Lane
[REDACTED]
Bluegrass Energy

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From: Mary Landrum [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 1:30 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

I'm a Blue Grass Energy customer in Lexington. I would love to have more options to power my house with renewable energy. I understand that we may need to transition away from fossil fuels on a gradual basis, but I urge my co-op to explore renewable options for us customers. Such options would be better for my budget, and for our climate. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Mary Landrum
[REDACTED]
1613 Norwood Circle, Lexington, KY 40515
[REDACTED]
Blue Grass Energy

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From: Earl Hampton [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 1:07 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

Folks, I have solar on two homes served by Owen Electric. If desire to serve members in the next 15 yrs your plan must have rentable, sustainable options. Technology is changing and demands from outside situations continu to cause outages.

We need to be a member program that leads not follows in just what we do now. The Electric car industry, electric tractors you need programs of solar car ports or solar farm sheds. Yes continue grid tied don't isolate bring people together in the future of energy. Fifteen years is not long, then with technology it's only like yesterday.

Let's be wise and use renewable sustainable.

Personally I use wind and solar on my farm and so grateful for being able to do so. I would love to have an electric cooperative that desired their grand kids future as well as the present

Bless you as you rethink to lead and not follow.

Sincerely,
Earl Hampton
[REDACTED]
2544 Eagle Tunnel Rd.
[REDACTED]
Owen electric

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To: [REDACTED]
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From: William Alexander [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 1:00 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

EKPC should worry about its customer base and impact on future generations. We are not playing with our own money, land, air, and water but those of our future generations.

Sincerely,
William Alexander
[REDACTED]
101 Lambert hollow
[REDACTED]
Grayson Rural

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From: "E. Gail (Elizabeth) Chandler" [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 6, 2022 5:00 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

When I was five and living in a frame house in rural Laurel County, the surveyors came. Then someone dynamited a hole in our backyard and men dropped in a creosote pole. My mother latched the screen door, but I watched it all. Soon electric lights replaced our kerosene lamps and we got a record player and listened to Mother Goose. My father joined the survey crew, later went to work for Jackson County REA, retiring as Public Relations and Power Use Director in 1983. The RECC fed us and my grandfather's coal sent us to college. All this goes to show how great has been the impact of Kentucky's rural cooperatives and why I am writing about EKPC's IRP.

In a bit over twenty years, computers and cell phones have radicalized our lives. Fifteen years in the future will probably find us on Mars. Here on earth, a majority of us will be driving electric cars, and the Inflation Reduction act promises to kickstart this conversion. Weekly we read innovations that promise to improve energy storage, and yet the IRP is still depending on a fifty-year-old coal plant. Almost daily we hear of a new climate disaster. EKPC should be taking a leadership role in moving us toward renewables and capitalizing on new technology.

Every Eastern Kentuckian that I know is acquainted with someone who is living in a trailer or badly insulated home and who must choose each winter—food, medicine, the electric bill or borrowing. Does this plan really do enough to provide the lowest cost electricity to these folks? Energy efficiency programs reduce the peak load, help struggling folks, and reduce pollution. EKPC needs to improve participation in these programs.

EKPC does not appear to see the value of rooftop and community solar when everyone has on the AC and brown outs are looming. And the temperature keeps going up. Instead of modeling

projections over historical weather patterns, they need to plan based on the past five years. The IRP is disappointing. I would like EKPC step ahead in their planning and lead us to mid century as they led us into a new world in the 1940's.

Sincerely,
E. Gail (Elizabeth) Chandler

[REDACTED]

935 Trout Ln

[REDACTED]

Shelby

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From: Ruth Meyers [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, December 3, 2022 4:41 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

For a plan that is supposed to look 15 years into the future, it seems EKPC is merely crunching the required numbers and repeating a conservative plan that they have followed in the past. We are already experiencing weather disasters and supply disruptions and frightening prices increases. EKPC is not grabbing the initiative to ride these changes to the benefit of Eastern Kentucky.

1. To continue to rely on older Coal and Oil power plants with no phaseout schedule is very short sighted, not only from cost and efficiencies perspectives, but the continuing contribution to carbon dioxide, nitrous oxides and other warming gases into the atmosphere.
2. Now is the time to invest in the newer and more environmentally friendly sources of power. I'm disappointed there is not more solar and hydro plant investment planned. Especially with the recent Inflation Reduction Act incentives, I would think the Co-op would be eager to re-think this Plan and re-write it in view of the huge opportunities this new legislation offers in investments along these lines, both for the co-op and for individual families and businesses which make up its membership. Aggressive action here would be appropriate.
3. I'm disappointed that there is a lack of interest in the plan for both new generation of electricity (and the reliance on purchasing from elsewhere) and investing in more solar and battery technologies.

And additional rooftop solar makes a whole lot of sense for community resiliency.

4. I'm puzzled as to the limitation in the demand side management portfolio to residential customers; ignoring commercial and industrial customers. And I would like to see retrofit programs that exceed the required minimum standards for efficiency. And marketing these programs needs to be more aggressive.

5. The low number of subscribers at Solar Farm One is disappointing to see. Is there a way to allow and incentivize low income families a method to buy in and benefit?

Sincerely,
Ruth Meyers

[REDACTED]
109 Cherry Road, Berea, KY

[REDACTED]
Blue Grass Energy (also Jackson Energy)

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From: "E.M. Lowery" <emlowery4@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 8, 2022 11:34 AM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

I am deeply concerned that we will not be prepared for what promises to be a massive increase in the demand for electricity we replace our gasoline fueled vehicles with electric vehicles. We must develop more sources for power generation at home, emphasizing rooftop and community, or public, solar. Without such a commitment the price of electricity will increase beyond the means of the average citizen.

Sincerely,
E.M. Lowery
[REDACTED]
165 Green Wilson Rd.
[REDACTED]
BG Energy

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From: Christine Anderson [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, December 8, 2022 9:38 AM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan
To Whom It May Concern:

Decisions that potentially cause harm to those whom your company supplies a necessary service to survive are unacceptable. Choosing profits over people is unacceptable. Do the right thing and reconsider choices that impact the communities you serve.

Sincerely,
Christine Anderson
[REDACTED]
550 Blue Lick
[REDACTED]
Blue Grass Coop

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From: Teresa Biagi [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, December 8, 2022 8:03 AM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan. Kentucky needs to be on the forefront of producing solar energy solutions for the long term health of our future as a state and country

Sincerely,
Teresa Biagi
[REDACTED]
1585 Butler Inn Rd Worthville Ky
[REDACTED]
Owen Electric

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From: Artie Ann Bates [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 10:29 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

There needs to be solar farms on abandoned strip mined in eastern Kentucky. Local people could be trained to install and maintain. With the threat of a penitentiary in Letcher County, that 500 acres and the \$500 million would be better used to install clean energy sources. There should also be rooftop solar for every home that can't afford it and those who can. It's a must.

Artie Ann Bates, MD

Sincerely,
Artie Ann Bates
[REDACTED]
1350 Elk Crk, Blackey, KY 41804
[REDACTED]
EKPC

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From: Paul Samples [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 9:33 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

It is absurd that in the second decade of the twenty first century you bumpkins are still relying on expensive, dirty fossil fuels like coal to generate electricity with no plans for renewable investment or infrastructure modernization. An absolute travesty and failure of leadership on your part. When youve burned enough that the jet stream shifts or stops and we cant grow food reliably, you fools can eat your coal. Bon appetite.

Sincerely,
Paul Samples
[REDACTED]
25 New Del Dr Dry Ridge KY 41035
[REDACTED]
Owen-Electric

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From: Janet Peterson [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 6:56 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

Dear EKPC,

I have all the same concerns expressed by KFTC regarding the resource planning needed by our energy providers.

As of this past weekend I would like to begin by asking what, if anything, has been done to stop a terrorist attack from impacting our electric grid. It's hard enough to prepare for a Mother Nature event - but now we have to contend with terrorism! It is clear to me that actions should be taken at every substation in the US to secure the grid.

With that regard, when we moved here almost fifteen years ago we had a horrible ice storm that took out the electricity for 13+ days. My husband (who is now deceased) required a CPAP machine and occasionally oxygen. Plus due to his fragile medical condition he needed heat - and we couldn't even get out to get emergency assistance because of the roads. Personally - we watch the insanity happening in Moore county due to the loss of electricity - we now know just how fragile our electricity is!! Yet our world is driven by electricity! It just all comes to a grinding halt without electricity!

The next most important issue regarding electricity is the price. Last January I had an electric bill of over \$ thousand dollars! I am a senior citizen on Social Security with no savings. It was almost enough to force me into desperate measures. In truth, I put my house up for sale and I have decided to move somewhere I can afford the energy costs. I'm praying that we don't have an horrible -20 degree winter like we have had in the past.

The truth is - we have to get serious about global warming and other climate changes. We have to make choices that are tough. We need more solar. We need less coal. I've experienced difficulty breathing in the smoggy midwinter days when the coal plants are stoked up. I've then experienced the eleven inches of rain and flooding at my home from the greenhouse gasses. The 500 and 1000 year storms of a few years back are now part of my reality.

I attempted to purchase solar when we moved here and I just couldn't justify the cost (over 60,000). On the other hand, had there been programs to help homeowners switch to solar maybe I would have found a way. Looking back - I sure wish I had found a way!!

I moved to Kentucky in 2008 and my plan was to cut my electric and water use and become sustainable and energy independent. I failed miserably. Partly because Inter County wasn't sustainable themselves. Their focus didnt reflect the reality facing the world today. Get real! Every customer should have a plan to cut their energy consumption. This is the only way you can be successful in providing our future energy needs.

Sincerely,

Janet Peterson

Sincerely,

Janet Peterson

[REDACTED]

7500 Highway 1295

[REDACTED]

Inter-County

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From: Lauren Kallmeyer [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 3:50 PM
To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
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Dear PSC Comment,

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KY's energy future should consider current science, including the most up to date climate science. Is it clear that we need to focus on renewable energy and move away from fossil fuels. In addition, energy EFFICIENCY should be a priority. Please take advantage of every available tax incentive and credit in order to provide people with the lowest cost energy possible. We need to be focused on a resilient KY for EVERYONE, not just the coal and natural gas companies. We need a plan to transition to renewable energy NOW (or 20 years ago). Also, conducting in-home energy audits would not only be more actionable and useful for the resident, but you would also have the opportunity to provide meaningful employment opportunities.

Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,
Lauren Kallmeyer

[REDACTED]
832 S Dogwood Dr
[REDACTED]

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From: Lauren Kallmeyer [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 3:46 PM
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Sincerely,
Lauren Kallmeyer
[REDACTED]
832 S Dogwood Dr
[REDACTED]
Bluegrass Energy

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Thank you for your comments on the application of East Kentucky Power Cooperative. 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 number in this matter, 2022-00098, in any further correspondence. The documents in this case are available at [View Case Filings for: 2022-00098 \(ky.gov\)](#).

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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Subject: Public Comment in Case #2022-00098

Dear PSC Comment,

Public Comment: EKPC 2022 Integrated Resource Plan

Climate Change is real. Action is required. I personally installed rooftop solar to cover my electricity needs. And see its value and efficiency daily, and watch the constant improvement in the technology worldwide. Yet I see the CEO of EKyPower write an editorial in Ky Living that betrays any kind of open mind on the role Renewables need to play in our future power generation. He cherry picked his data (from peak Pandemic times when supply chain issues were at their worst) to argue that Solar mfg isn't up to the task of the huge install numbers we will need. Biden's IRA is disproving his pessimistic thesis every day. We need forward thinking leaders in the power generation industry and solid strategies and policies to guide them. The fossil fuel mindset will doom us like the dinosaurs if we don't change.

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