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Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 10:06 PM

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I would prefer LG&E purse energy efficient and KY energy independence programs like the Virtual Power Plant programs adopted Massachusetts, California, Vermont and other States. These types of programs are better for KY based businesses, corporations, KY resistances and most certainly the environment.

Sincerely, Matt Gilbert

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Sincerely, Mr Matthew J Gilbert 1301 Meadowridge Trl Goshen, KY 40026-9518

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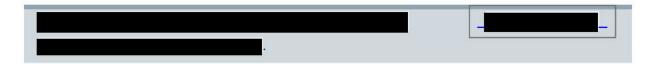
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Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 8:09 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Allison Brown 630 Seattle Dr Lexington, KY 40503-2125

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From: KY Public Service Commission Public Comments <psc.comment@ky.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2023 7:43 PM

**To:** PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>

Subject: Public Comments for Case: 2022-00402 - Kentucky Utilities Company, Louisville Gas and

**Electric Company** 

Public Comments for Case 2022-00402 submitted by

) on

Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 7:42 PM

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Name: Ray Watson

Address: 837 Mallard Creek Rd

City: Louisville State: KY

Zip Code: 40207

Phone number where you can be reached:

Home phone:

Comments: No natural gas, all renewable. \$2B more now versus intensifying natural disasters, and hoping for technology in the future. Use what works for renewables now. Otherwise, you are adding only more nails to our shard coffin.

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To:

Subject: RE: Public comment on PSC case #2022-00402

Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2023 10:05:00 AM

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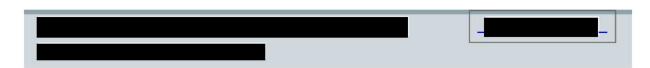
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Sincerely, Ms. Cassandra Kinney 115 Lois Ln Apt 2 Morehead, KY 40351-2033

To:

Subject: RE: Say "No" to LG&E and KU's Coal Retirement Plan

Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2023 10:04:00 AM

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From: Nancy Ames

Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 5:10 PM

To: PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov>

Subject: Say "No" to LG&E and KU's Coal Retirement Plan



August 22, 2023 @ 09:00pm Say "No" to LG&E and KU's Coal Retirement Plan

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Sincerely, Nancy Ames 9616 McNeely Lake Dr, Louisville, KY 40229

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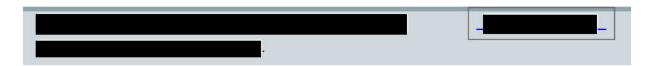
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From:

Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 4:51 PM

**To:** PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on PSC case #2022-00402



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Sincerely, Ms. Emily Robertson 16 Wildwood Dr Murray, KY 42071-4626

To:

Subject: RE: PLS CONFIRM RECEIPT: Comments on Case 2020-00402

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From: Sarah Lynn Cunningham

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2023 4:37 PM

To: PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov>

**Subject:** PLS CONFIRM RECEIPT: Comments on Case 2020-00402

## To whom it may concern:

Please add the attached comments into the formal record of the subject case on behalf of our 61 member nonprofit organizations, for-profit businesses, houses of worship and educational institutions.

Cooperatively, Sarah Lynn Cunningham, PE, Executive Director Louisville Climate Action Network



22 August 2023

Commissioners Chandler, Hatton and Regan Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

submitted via email (psc.comment@ky.gov)

RE: Case 2020-00402

Dear Commissioners,

The Louisville Climate Action <u>Network</u> (LCAN) consists of 61 community and faith-based organizations, for-profit businesses and educational institutions in the GS/CGS class—mostly LG&E-KU customers—plus nearly 1,200 individual subscribers and over 1,300 social media followers. LCAN offers programming within three realms:

- Technical assistance in the form of energy efficiency audits and guidance on installing solar power to our nonprofit and faith-based clients so they may "spend less on utilities, more on mission." (One desperate client sufficiently implemented our recommendations last year to halve their LG&E bills and expand their community services, rather than close their doors.)
- 2. Educational programming on solutions to climate change.
- 3. Advocacy for smarter public policies that cut carbon pollution and costs.

The matter before you should be considered within the following contexts:

- 1. Our planetary home is on fire. "Extreme" has become endemic to our weather forecasts. Last month was the hottest on record. Storms are increasingly destructive. Droughts are longer and deeper, too often leading to record fires. Insured losses—a fraction of true losses—from climate charged events are setting records, too. It's long past time to stop conscripting ratepayers into underwriting fossil-fueled power plants. Business as usual is conscripting our grandchildren to a miserable existence, and is morally wrong when we have other options.
- 2. Once ratepayers are conscripted to underwrite power plants—here, a proposed \$1.2 billion—utilities insist on extracting every possible penny of profit from them. For decades, stranded assets have been used as an excuse for delaying a transition to renewable sources. (Paddy's Run, one of the coal-fired plants proposed to be demolished, is around 80 years old.) When the climate crisis forces LG&E-KU-PPL to cease using these proposed gas-fired power plants sooner than even 50 years, will



- ratepayers be tagged with, not just their capital, operating and maintenance costs plus profit, but also eventually reimbursing their stranded assets?
- 3. Energy efficiency is the cheapest, cleanest and fastest "source" of power, yet LG&E-KU-PPL have made inordinately limited use of it. Citing stranded assets and a 20-year-old ruling using an archaic model, the utilities killed nearly all of their residential-sector demand-side management (DSM) programs. We suspect LG&E-KU-PPL proposed DSM programs now only because PPL wants more generating capacity, yet foresaw that ratepayers rightly would object to paying only for supply-side management.
- 4. LG&E-KU-PPL actively suppress customer-owned solar power—a key tool in our climate-action toolbox. The U.S. didn't allow Ma Bell to control all landlines, much less all mobile phones. Yet investor owned utilities (IOUs) spent a documented seven digits on legal bribes ("reelection-fund contributions") and public disinformation campaigns to get changes to state laws to rig the game and extend their monopoly onto the sun. Even when the PSC ruled on net-metering with some fairness, LG&E-KU interpreted the ruling to its advantage and is charging new net-metered customers disadvantageously. The matter is still tied up in court, so is depressing customer investment.
- 5. LG&E-KU are owned by PPL, which owns several other electric utilities. Unless something has changed recently, its other utilities do not generate power. Instead, they only buy and distribute wholesale power. Whose customers need more power? LG&E-KU or other PPL utilities? Kentucky has a long history of exporting wholesale power. We get the disbenefits of externalizing power production and other states get cheaper rates. Enough already.

We urge the PSC to make the following rulings:

- 1. Approve the proposed solar installations.
- 2. Deny the construction of new fossil fueled power plants at least until the following reasonable conditions have been met:
  - a. Affordable DSM programming to the residential and commercial sectors are expanded and funded commensurately with energy efficiency's potential to lower customers' carbon footprints.
  - b. Special DSM programs appropriate and practical for low-income customers, both homeowners and renters, are instituted and funded commensurate with

- the need to lower bills and cut carbon pollution. (We would rather subsidize our neighbors than the status quo of poverty and pollution.)
- c. Commercial customers' participation in the Building Operator Certification program is subsidized to ensure participation throughout the service areas.
- d. The utilization of solar power, including net-metering with parity and a fairly priced Solar Share program for customers who can't install panels on their property, has been maximized commensurately with its potential. (Kentucky receives 50% more sunshine than Germany, a world leader in solar power.)
- e. Retrofit hydropower production on existing river dams.
- f. The viability to use enhanced geothermal power—by drilling 10 km below grade to tap temperatures of 300 degrees Fahrenheit or more—has been independently and open-mindedly evaluated for the potential to generate power, around the clock and especially when the sun is not shining.
- g. An honest, complete Integrated Resource Plan has been submitted, reviewed and accepted as appropriate to our climate constrained era.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to have input to these very important issues that affect our climate, members and clients.

Cooperatively,

Sarah Lynn Cunningham, PE

**Executive Director** 

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As someone with deep concerns about the quality of life here in the commonwealth, a sense of responsibility around preserving Kentucky's nature beauty and a commitment to economic justice I encourage you to approve the coal retirements and reject the proposals for two new large scale 40-year fossil fuel plants.

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To:

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Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 3:20 PM

To: PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov>

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Sincerely, Brittany Rosser 12698 Hwy 41A, Henderson, KY 42420

To:

Subject: KE: Say No to LUXE and KU's Coal Retirement Plan

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Sincerely, Charlene Belhasen 1124 Forest Park Lane, Paintsville, KY 41240

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Sincerely, Dr. Susan Bentley MD 87 Valley Rd Louisville, KY 40204-1516

To:

Subject: RE: Public comment on PSC case #2022-00402

Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2023 10:01:00 AM

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 1:36 PM

**To:** PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on PSC case #2022-00402



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Please don't move us backward or lock us in bad past policies. Please approve the coal retirements and reject the proposals for two new large scale 40-year fossil fuel plants.

## Rona Roberts

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Sincerely, Ms. Rona Roberts 250 Campsie Pl Lexington, KY 40508-1836

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Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 1:30 PM

To: PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov>

Subject: Say "No" to LG&E and KU's Coal Retirement Plan



August 22, 2023 @ 05:20pm Say "No" to LG&E and KU's Coal Retirement Plan

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I urge you to oppose the efforts of Louisville Gas & Electric and Kentucky Utilities to retire four coal-fired electric generating units over the next few years. Hard-working Kentuckians oppose this move, and so should you.

Sincerely, Michael Miller PO Box, 901 Beattyville Kentucky, Beattyville, KY 41311

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Sincerely, Ms. Karen Ford 483 state route 693, Greenup, KY 41144

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Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Closing aged coal-fired plants is clearly a constructive step toward reducing dependence on fossil fuels. However, replacing them with natural gas plants defeats the benefits of that step. It fixes our future on fossil fuel dependence. Please approve the retirement of the aged and inefficient coal plants and reject the proposal for two new fossil fuel plants.

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Sincerely, Mr. Edward Stodola 499 E High St Unit 403 Lexington, KY 40507-1974