Subject: RE: Public Comment in Case # 202300159

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:22:00 AM

Case No. 2023-00159

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From: Frank Schwartz

Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 11:03 PM **To:** PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov>

Subject: Public Comment in Case #2023-00159



Dear Commissioners

Case #202300159 KY Power Rate Case

Utilities must be empowered, mandated and assisted to invest in conservation. The idea to build new power plants to meet demand must be stopped. Instead utilities must invest in making home and businesses more energy efficient. For a robust community households cannot be, should not be burdened by high energy bills.

I ask the Public Service to make conservation the first line in deciding rate case.

Thank you,
Frank Schwartz - 1183 E. Broadway Louisville, KY 40204

Sincerely, Frank Schwartz

To:

Subject: RE: Rate increase

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:29:00 AM

Case No. 2023-00159

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From: Kenneth Stamper

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 9:42 AM

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

Subject: Rate increase



We are paying ungodly amounts in extra fees that should not be put on the rate payers with decommissioned riders and fuel sure charges we are being double charged for a service that we should only be paying for the kilowatt per hour that we use not fuel sure charges and decommission a coal fired power plant we have alot residents that are closing between food or electric now that raise would be devastating to eastren ky my electric bill has been over \$300 per month all year and I heat with gas

To:

Subject: RE: Case no. 2023-00159

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:29:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From: Dave Cooper

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 10:04 AM

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

Subject: Case no. 2023-00159



Dear PSC,

re: 2023-00159

I am opposed to a rate increase for East Kentucky Power. EKPC should prioritize energy conservation measures especially for low income families, which they have not done. By making manufactured homes and older trailers more energy efficient, EKPC can reduce operating and maintenance costs, and EKPC customers can save money and reduce the need for energy.

Reducing energy consumption by eliminating BitCoin mining will help Kentucky prosper. Less energy consumed will decrease air and water pollution created by EKPC, meaning that people can live healthier lives while spending less on energy bills.

Dave Cooper 124 Paris Ave Lexington KY 40505

Dave Cooper -

<u>Visit Appalachia LLC</u> Alternative Breaks in Harlan, Kentucky

Kentucky Pallet Artist

To:

Subject: RE: Subject at 18% rate in case

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:29:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From: jimmy westerfield

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 12:53 PM

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

Subject: Subject at 18% rate in case



Sent from my iPhone if the 18% increase will kill a lot of people miss Kentucky because they're not be able to pay the electric bill and it will be shut off with a low income part of the state and can't afford it

To:

Subject: RE: Public Comments for Case: 2023-00159 - Kentucky Power Company

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:30:00 AM

Case No. 2023-00159

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 1:02 PM

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

Subject: Public Comments for Case: 2023-00159 - Kentucky Power Company

Public Comments for Case 2023-00159 submitted by

on Tuesday,

November 7, 2023 at 1:01 PM

Name: James Caudill Address: 18 wildcat dr

City: Pinetop State: Ky

Zip Code: 41843

Phone number where you can be reached:

Home phone:

Comments: I'm a disabled coal miner and my wife works in healthcare. We are a lower income family but there are many people around us that are in much worse situations the us. We live in a old mobile home because that what we can afford. The power bill when have already takes almost all of my check In the winter months. It's hard for use to be able to pay the bill and still pay the rest of our bills and buy food also. Last January our power bill was over \$700 for one month. I know dozens of people that live in much older, and less insolated places then ours. I can't imagine how bed their bills are

To:

Subject: RE: Public Comment in Case # 2023-00159

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:31:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From: David Gardner

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 2:38 PM

To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> **Subject:** Public Comment in Case #2023-00159



Dear Commissioners

Case #202300159 KY Power Rate Case: I strongly agree with this statement "KY Power bills are already too high. KPC customers have the highest average bills in the state and have some of the highest "energy burdens" in the nation (the proportion of monthly income spent on electric bills). KPC customers are having to make tough choices between paying their electric bills or buying groceries. We deserve better. We need tools ways to lower our bills, like energy efficiency programs and access to affordable rooftop solar for our homes and businesses." I am retired and am seeing the effects of rate increases and what seems to be unbounded increases in all products and services. What may seem to be small changes to others impacts me more dramatically because utilities, particularly electrical power, is a greater portion of my overall cost of living and increases here translate into reductions in other services and goods that I require to live. Thanks for considering my comments.

Sincerely, David Gardner

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To:

Subject: RE: Public comment on PSC case #2023-00159

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:33:00 AM

Case No. 2023-00159

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 7:53 PM

To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on PSC case #2023-00159



Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Kentucky Power customers are already paying the highest power bills in the state. We need warm homes, affordable energy, clean air, and a safe climate - NOT HIGHER BILLS. Please reject Kentucky Power's proposal to raise residential rates by over 18%, and encourage Kentucky Power to address already high customer rates with energy efficiency programs.no on higher bills

Thank you for ensuring that Kentuckians' voices are an important part of the regulatory process.

Sincerely, Loretta Bowen 497 Little Laurel Crk Louisa, KY 41230-5435

To:

Subject: RE: Public comment on PSC case #2023-00159

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:34:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From:

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 12:14 AM

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

Subject: Public comment on PSC case #2023-00159



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Sincerely, Ralph Hensley <u>5232 Valley View Dr. Ash</u>land, K**Y 4**1101-6860

To:
Subject:
Date:

RE: Public comment on PSC case #2023-00159 Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:34:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From:

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 3:00 AM

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

Subject: Public comment on PSC case #2023-00159



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Thank you for ensuring that Kentuckians' voices are an important part of the regulatory process.

Sincerely, Rhonda Stai 1627 Elliott Ave Ashland, KY 41102-5506

To:

Subject: RE: Public comment on PSC case #2023-00159

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:34:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From:

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 4:48 AM

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

Subject: Public comment on PSC case #2023-00159



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Thank you for ensuring that Kentuckians' voices are an important part of the regulatory process.

Sincerely, Christy Brown 2313 Crooks St Ashland, KY 41101-4709

To:
Subject: RE: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:35:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From: PSC Consumer Inquiry <PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 7:32 AM **To:** PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov>

Subject: FW: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

From: KY Public Service Commission <<u>pscfilings@ky.gov</u>>

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 7:33 PM

To: PSC Consumer Inquiry < PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov>

Subject: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 7:33 PM

Name: Connie B Day

Address: 4159 State Highway773 ko

City: Hitchins State: KY

Zip Code: 41146

Phone number where you can be reached:

Home phone:

Utility Name: Kentucky Power

State the nature of your concern: Kentucky Power is seeking a rate increase again and it's so close to winter. We like many other. Senior Citizens can't afford such. Food cost are up, electric already expensive,. It's property tax time, Holidays are almost here. Can barely afford the stuff to prepare for it. Please no rate increase now.

Have you contacted the utility about the problem: Yes

To:

Subject: RE: Public comment on PSC case #2023-00159

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:36:00 AM

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 7:53 AM

To: PSC Public Comment <PSC.Comment@ky.gov>
Subject: Public comment on PSC case #2023-00159



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So many Kentuckians are already living paycheck to paycheck, and barely getting by. So many people are one emergency, or disaster away from being homeless. People a lot of times are having to decide between utilities and groceries; picking and choosing which bills are most important because there is not enough money to pay for them all. Many other's (myself included) live on a very fixed incomes where every cent is allocated for bills, leaving nothing more; nothing extra. If rates are raised by over 18% there won't be enough income to even be able to continue to pay the monthly utility bill, and that petrifies me knowing I have a child to take care of, and he needs to live in a home with utilities.

Thank you for ensuring that Kentuckians' voices are an important part of the regulatory process.

Sincerely, Ms. Randi Harper 1111 Marshall Ave Grayson, KY 41143-1643

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To:

Subject: RE: Public Comment in Case #202300159

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:38:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From: Jae Sledge

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 7:27 AM

To: PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov> **Subject:** Public Comment in Case #2023-00159



Dear Commissioners

Case #202300159 KY Power Rate Case

It's so frustrating to live in a state where we are used to living on very little while corporations take advantage of us for profit. Utilities should be a basic need governed by the people it serves. Communities should be able to have their own decentralized energy that then could be put back into the grid, but that wouldn't be good for LG&E maximizing their profit off of our backs. There are so many options we could be investing in to have regenerative energy sources that don't harm our communities (I live in Louisville where we rank "3rd in U.S. for most premature deaths from coal-fired power pollution"). Yet, these companies continue to reinvest in fossil fuels that are putting us in danger, harming the land and environment, and guaranteeing our rates will continue to go up for generations to come. We are sick of it. Sick, literally, of not being able to afford our basic needs. Please do something so we can hold these greedy corporations accountable for the incalculable harm they cause us.

Sincerely,

To:

Subject: RE: Public Comment in Case #2023-00159

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:38:00 AM

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From: Lisa Schoenbachler

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 8:29 AM

To: PSC Public Comment < PSC.Comment@ky.gov> **Subject:** Public Comment in Case #2023-00159



Dear Commissioners

Case #202300159 KY Power Rate Case - Kentucky Power is claiming that increased rates are needed due to having fewer customers and the need to build their own power generation (they currently buy a lot of power from the regional grid instead of producing it themselves). Instead of raising rates, KPC could invest in energy efficiency programs that both lower our bills and decrease the need for expensive new power plants. We shouldn't have to pay for their bad decisions. Our power bills are already too high. KPC customers have the highest average bills in the state and have some of the highest "energy burdens" in the nation! (the % of monthly income spent on electric bills). Hardworking Kentuckians are having to make tough choices between paying their electric bills, medical bills, or buying groceries. We deserve better. We need tools to lower our bills, like energy efficiency programs and access to affordable rooftop solar for our homes and businesses. Many of KPC's financial issues are going away soon. They are refinancing or offloading their largest debts. The majority of public advocacy organizations testifying in this case agree there are no financial difficulties that justify the proposed rate increases.

Investor-owned utilities like Kentucky Power exist to make a profit for their shareholders- but KPC doesn't actually have shareholders. It is wholly owned by its parent company American Electric Power (AEP). While KPC claims they are financially strapped, AEP is raking in the dough and have

increased their net profit over the past year with total profits of over \$12 Billion! We shouldn't make workers, families, and small businesses pay more to increase the profit for AEP's CEOs.

Kentucky Power is not financially strapped, but many hardworking Kentuckians are. Nearly 190,000 termination notices were sent to customers between July 2022 and June 2023 and more than 6,000 customers were disconnected from their power because they could not afford their bills.

Sincerely, Lisa Schoenbachler

To:

Subject: RE: Case 2023-00159

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:40:00 AM

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Thank you for your interest in this matter.

From: Kevin Rogers

Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 12:20 PM

To: PSC Public Information Officer < PSC.Info@kv.gov>

Subject: Case 2023-00159



Good morning. I was made aware of a potential KY Power rate increase for southeast Kentucky. Sadly, our region of Kentucky is already impoverished, and most residents can't even afford their winter utility bills at the current rate. ANY increases will have an unsustainable effect on our local residents AND businesses.

As a mission, our funds are tight, and any increases in utilities will have an extremely negative effect on our mission. At this point, the proposed increases would hit us very hard - at a cost of nearly \$20,000 per year. Those funds could be used far more effectively in our feeding programs, adult care programs, home repair programs and more.

Please know that the power outages in our area are VERY frequent, and to be informed of another rate substantial rate increase is laughable at best.

Kevin Rogers Director, Big Creek Missions