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All correspondence must include the case number: 2023-00159. Hearing date is Tuesday, November 28, 2023 @9 AM

Please deny the proposed rate increase

Sirs, I am writing in regards to the proposed 18% rate increase requested by Kentucky Power.

I am concerned that the rate increase would place a great burden on a community where many people live below the federal poverty level, surviving on benefits such as SSI, Retirement, Food stamps, welfare and Medicaid.

The huge increase in food cost, coupled with high unemployment rates and lack of jobs has taken a huge toll on the community already. With many local businesses closing down already due to less disposable income, due to so many people being on a fixed income.

The rate increases on our family owned companies and businesses would force many businesses, restaurants and grocery stores to close. These businesses are already suffering greatly from the economic turn down and from the flood of 2022.

Please, do not allow Kentucky Power to make a larger profit and more money for its shareholders (The request for: higher overall "return of equity" rate that is currently allowed) while forcing even more people into poverty. According to internet postings Kentucky Power customers already paid the highest electric bills in the State of Kentucky. This community should not have to pay for the possible mismanagement or possible lack of foresight by the management of this utility.

In closing, I asked you to deny the request of the proposed rate increase.

Respectfully,

Signed:



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