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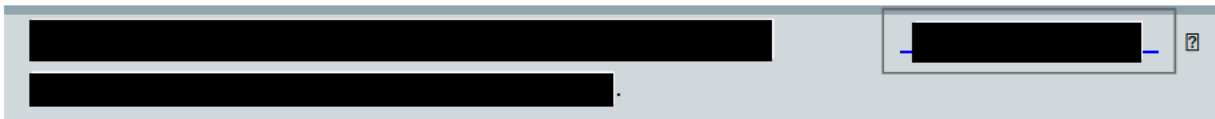
Case No. 2025-00045

Thank you for your comments on the application of Kentucky Utilities Company, 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 number in this matter, 2025-00045 in any further correspondence. The documents in this case are available at [View Case Filings for: 2025-00045 \(ky.gov\)](#).

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

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Initially, I thought data centers would be great, listening to the hype about jobs and leaping forward technologically. Then, as I began reading more and doing some basic research, I did an about face and now believe **data centers offer little to no benefit to Kentuckians**. We currently have reasonably affordable electric rates and water rates; data centers will only make those rates jump! While there may be some initial boost to employment for construction workers, once that's over those jobs are gone. We're left with enormous power- and water-draining behemoths with few workers manning them (and how long until those workers are replaced by some technology probably already in the works). In sum, I urge a no vote for this proposal. Voting "yes" only makes Kentucky a colony of Silicon Valley and compels ordinary Kentuckians to subsidize the billionaires of Silicon Valley.

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