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My family has bought KU electricity since 2018. In 2023 we installed solar panels on our home located in Magnolia, Kentucky. Using Net Metering we have been receiving a monthly credit for the electricity we produce and return to KU.

KU'S proposal is to decrease Net Metering from \$ 0.07534 to \$ 0.03859 / kWh. This change represents a DECREASE of about 50 %. Most of the proposed KU changes are in the range of 6.9-13.55 %. The change to Net Metering is excessive and should not be approved by the PSC. The electricity we produce and return to KU is then sold by KU at a higher rate. This arrangement has to be profitable to KU since we bought the solar panels NOT KU. If the new Residential Service rate is approved and the new Net Metering rate is approved then KU has over a 200 % markup for the electricity they buy from residential solar producers and the rate they sell to residential customers.

The electricity we and other KU residential solar producers generate is available to KU at no major cost to them. Should blackouts occur in other parts of the KU grid our electricity is available to them. Residential electricity production should be viewed as an extension of the KU energy system. Rather than penalizing residential solar producers KU should be welcoming them as they strengthen the KU electricity grid.

The proposed increase in the Residential Service rate to \$0.11897 / kWh is an increase of 12.9 % and is excessive during this time of low inflation ( 2.1 % in April 2025 ).

The May 2025 issue of POWER SOURCE the KU public relations communication directed to customers states "supporting the growth of solar power is a good thing". On the one hand KU is providing this statement. On the other hand KU is seeking to reduce Net Metering by about 50% - providing a disincentive to the very customers who have invested in solar.

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