

Public Comments Received for Case Number: 2025-00257  
Response Tuesday, March 24, 2026

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Monday, March 23, 2026

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Comments:  
PSC Case 2025-00257 – AEP Kentucky Power

03/23/2026

Kentucky Public Service Commission  
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Re: Opposition to Case 2025-00257 – AEP Kentucky Power Rate Increase

To the Commissioners:

My name is Drema Dotson, and I am an AEP/Kentucky Power customer from Pike County. I am writing on behalf of myself and other customers who are struggling to keep up with the constant increases in our electric bills. I respectfully submit this letter to oppose the proposed rate increase in Case 2025-00257.

#### 1. Customers Cannot Afford Another Increase

Families in Eastern Kentucky are already stretched to the limit. Many of us live on fixed incomes, disability, or low wages. Every increase—no matter how small it may seem on paper—hits us hard. Our electric bills are already among the highest in the state, and another increase would push many households into crisis. Many are already there.

#### 2. We Have Seen Too Many Increases Already

Over the past several years, AEP Kentucky Power has repeatedly raised rates, added riders, and passed new costs onto customers. We have not seen improvements in service that justify these increases. Outages still happen often, and restoration times can be long.

#### 3. Eastern Kentucky's Economic Reality Must Be Considered

Our region faces higher poverty rates, fewer job opportunities, and limited economic growth. Many customers simply cannot absorb another increase. The PSC has a responsibility to protect the public interest, and in Eastern Kentucky, that means protecting people who are

already struggling to get by from a monopolistic utility to whom we are captive ratepayers.

#### 4. This Increase Would Cause Real Harm

If this rate increase is approved, many customers will face impossible choices between paying their electric bill and paying for food, medicine, or transportation. No utility should be allowed to place this level of hardship on the people it serves.

Request

For these reasons, I respectfully ask the Commission to:

Deny the proposed rate increase in Case 2025-00257.

Thank you for considering the needs of the people of Eastern Kentucky.

Respectfully,  
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