#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT )
FILING OF HERITAGE PROPANE ) CASE NO. 2011-00108
D/B/A BRIGHT'S PROPANE SERVICE )

# ORDER

On February 15, 1991, in Case No. 1990-00091, the Commission approved rates for Bright's Propane Service, Inc. ("Bright's Propane") and provided for their further adjustment on a quarterly basis in accordance with Bright's Propane's Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") clause. On March 5, 2008, Heritage Operating L.P. ("Heritage") acquired Bright's Propane's assets, adopted Bright's Propane's tariffs, and began providing service under the name "Bright's Propane."

On March 23, 2011, Heritage filed its proposed GCA to be effective May 1, 2011.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Bright's Propane's notice includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in wholesale propane costs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Case No. 1990-00091, Jurisdictional Status of Bright's Propane Service, Inc.'s Propane Distribution System (Ky. PSC Feb. 15, 1991).

- 2. Bright's Propane's notice sets out an Average Gas Cost ("AGC") component of \$.04200 per cubic foot, which is a \$.00250 increase from the previous AGC of \$.03950 per cubic foot.
- 3. Bright's Propane's notice sets out a current quarter Actual Adjustment ("AA") of \$.004880 per cubic foot. Bright's incorrectly calculated its Total Difference amount, which should have been \$1,575.19 instead of \$6,070.32. Correcting for this produces a current quarter AA of \$.001201 per cubic foot. Bright's Propane's total AA is \$.00835 per cubic foot, which is a decrease of \$.00367 per cubic foot from the previous total AA of \$.01202 per cubic foot.
- 4. Bright's Propane's notice sets out \$.015 per cubic foot to recover overhead operating costs as approved in its tariff.
- 5. Bright's Propane's GCA is \$.06535 per cubic foot, which is a decrease of \$.00117 per cubic foot from the previous rate of \$.06652 per cubic foot.
- 6. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and should be approved for final meter readings by Bright's Propane on and after May 1, 2011.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Bright's Propane's proposed rates are denied.
- 2. The rates in the Appendix, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are approved for final meter readings on and after May 1, 2011.
- 3. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Bright's Propane shall file its revised tariffs with this Commission setting out the rates approved herein and reflecting that they were approved pursuant to this Order.

# By the Commission

ENTERED APR 2 6 2011

KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Executive Director

# **APPENDIX**

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2011-00108 DATED APR 2 6 2011

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Heritage Operating L/P d/b/a Bright's Propane Service, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

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RATES: Monthly

All Propane \$ .06535 per cubic foot

Minimum Bill \$ 26.14

(First 400 Cubic feet or less)

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