

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY FRONTIER	)	CASE NO.
GAS, LLC FOR APPROVAL OF MODIFICATION	)	2016-00132
OF AMR AND PIPELINE REPLACEMENT	)	
PROGRAMS, SURCHARGES AND TARIFFS TO	)	
INCLUDE THE FORMER PUBLIC GAS SYSTEM	)	

ORDER

On May 25, 2016, Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC ("Frontier") tendered for filing an application for approval of modifications to its Automated Meter Reading and Pipeline Replacement Programs and associated surcharges and tariffs in order to expand the scope of the programs to include the system and customers of Public Gas Company, which was recently acquired by Frontier.<sup>1</sup> The application proposed that the new rates become effective July 1, 2016. Frontier requested, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 22, a waiver from certain filing requirements and subparts of 807 KAR 5:001. On June 6, 2016, the Commission issued its Order granting Frontier's requests for deviation from the filing requirements contained in 807 KAR 5:001, Sections 16(4)(g)-(j), 16(4)(l-n), 16(4)(r), and 16(4)(u). With regard to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(4)(k), the Commission denied Frontier's request for waiver.

On June 8, 2016, Frontier filed a response to the Commission's Order of June 6, 2016, in which it renewed its request to deviate from the filing requirements of 807 KAR

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<sup>1</sup> Case No. 2015-00299, *Joint Application of Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC and Public Gas Company for Approval of Transfer and Acquisition of Assets and Financing* (Ky. PSC Nov. 24, 2015).

5:001, Section 16(4)(k), provided clarifying information in support of its request, and asked that its application be accepted for filing.

On June 15, 2016, the Commission issued an Order finding that Frontier had shown good cause to permit it to deviate from the filing requirements of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16(4)(k), and accepting Frontier's application for filing as of June 8, 2016.

Pursuant to KRS 278.180(1), no change can be made by a utility in any rate except upon 30 days' notice to the Commission. Thus, a June 8, 2016 filed date dictates that the earliest Frontier's proposed rates could become effective is July 8, 2016. Having reviewed Frontier's application, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that an investigation cannot be completed by July 8, 2016. Therefore, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission will suspend the effective date of the proposed rates for five months.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Frontier's proposed rates are suspended for five months, up to and including December 7, 2016.
2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed.
3. a. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to questions related to the information provided, with copies to all parties of record and ten copies to the Commission.

b. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or an association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

c. Any party shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect.

d. For any request to which a party fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

e. A party filing a paper containing personal information shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that the personal information cannot be read.

4. Any person who submits a motion to intervene after July 14, 2016, and upon a showing of good cause is granted intervention, shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

5. Frontier shall give notice of any hearing in this matter in accordance with the provisions set out in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2). At the time publication is requested, Frontier shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

6. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.

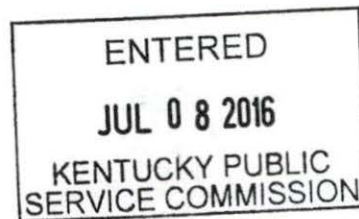
7. Pursuant to KRS 278.360 and KAR 5:001, Section 9(9), a digital video transcript shall be made of the hearing.

8. Any objections or motions relating to discovery or procedural dates shall be filed upon four business days' notice or the filing party shall explain, in writing, why such notice was not possible.

9. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

10. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

By the Commission



ATTEST:

  
Acting Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2016-00132 DATED **JUL 08 2016**

- Requests for intervention shall be filed by .....07/14/16
- Requests for information to Frontier shall  
be filed no later than .....07/20/16
- Frontier shall file responses to requests for  
information no later than .....08/02/16
- Supplemental requests for information to Frontier  
shall be filed no later than .....08/16/16
- Frontier shall file responses to supplemental requests  
for information no later than .....08/30/16

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