COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

MOTION TO ADJUST RATES IN) ACCORDANCE WITH PURCHASED) GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF) MARTIN GAS COMPANY, INC.)

ORDER

On December 20, 1978, the Commission issued its Order in Case 7156 approving certain adjustments in rates and providing under certain conditions for the further adjustment of such rates when the wholesale cost of gas is increased or decreased.

On December 15, 1981, Martin Gas, Inc., ("Martin") notified the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be increased by its supplier, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., ("Columbia") effective January 1, 1982, and submitted with its notice certain information in compliance with this Commission's Order of December 20, 1978. The notice set out certain revisions in rates which Martin proposed to place in effect, said rates being designed to increase the cost of natural gas of its supplier in the amount of \$8,367.54.

After reviewing this evidence of record and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:



 (1) Martin's supplier has filed for increased rates and said rates will become effective on and after January 1, 1982.

(2) Martin's notice of December 15, 1981, failed to provide the Commission with the 20 days statutory notice, therefore, the rates granted Martin will become effective on and after January 4, 1982.

(3) Martin's adjustment in rates under the purchased gas adjustment clause approved by the Commission in its Order in Case No. 7156, dated December 20, 1978, is fair, just and reasonable and in the public interest and should be allowed to be effective with gas supplied on and after January 4, 1982.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the purchased gas adjustment sought by Martin be and the same is hereby approved to be effective with gas supplied on and after January 4, 1982, as in Appendix A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Martin shall maintain its records in such manner as will enable it, or the Commission, or any of its customers to determine the amount to be refunded and to whom due in the event a refund is ordered by the Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that for the purpose of the future application of the purchased gas adjustment clause of Martin the base rate for purchased gas shall be:

Columbia Gas of KentuckyCommoditySoutheastern Gas Company0,140

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the information furnished this Commission by Martin on December 15, 1981, constitutes full compliance with the Commission's Order in Case No. 7156 and any other information ordinarily required to be filed under the Commission's regulations is hereby waived.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days after the date of this Order, Martin shall file with this Commission its revised tariff sheets setting out the rates approved herein.

> Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 29th day of December, 1981. PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST :

Secretary

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 7156-R DATED DECEMBER 29, 1981

The following rates are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Martin Gas Company, 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 date of this Order.

RATES: Monthly

First 2 Mcf

Over 2 Mcf

\$4.5589 per Mcf 5.3589 per Mcf

Minimum Bill

The minimum bill shall be \$5.50, which entitles the user to less than 2 Mcf per month.