

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

A PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FILING OF WESTERN KENTUCKY GAS COMPANY

CASE NO. 7157-CC

ORDER

On December 6, 1978, the Commission entered its Final Order in Case No. 7157, 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, decreased or refunds are received.

On October 2, 1980, the Applicant, the Western Kentucky Gas Company filed its Notice and Application with the Commission stating that it had received a refund from one of its suppliers, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee Gas).

On February 16, 1981, the Applicant was notified by Tennessee Gas that two small refunds totaling \$13,224.44 were reflected in the form of a credit on the January, 1981 gas invoice. These refunds result from the disposition of certain refunds received by Tennessee Gas from its producer - suppliers pursuant to various Commission opinions and orders, as a result of negative NGPA well category determination, as a result of corrections on invoices and company's share of a refund plan filed by Tennessee Gas on April 11, 1980, in Docket Nos. AR64-2, et al.

On March 9, 1981, the Applicant received a refund in the amount of \$127,710.90 from Tennessee Gas, resulting from the flow through of billing adjustments received by Tennessee Gas from certain



of its producer - suppliers. These billing adjustments relate to accounting procedures at two processing plants on the Tennessee Gas system owned by Tennessee Gas' producer - suppliers.

The total refundable amount in the filing is \$140,935.34. The Company proposes to refund this amount to its customers over a period of four months in accordance with the refund provisions of the Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause beginning on May 1, 1981, said adjustment being designed to pass on to its customers a reduction in the amount of \$.0168 per thousand cubic feet of gas and that said adjustment be eliminated when the full amount to be refunded has been returned to the Company's customers.

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

1. That the Applicant has received a refund in the amount of \$140,935.34 from its supplier Tennessee Gas.

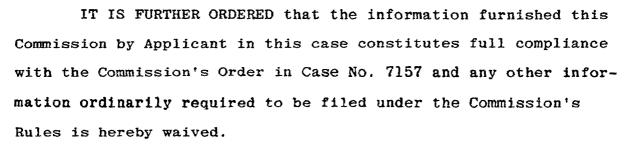
2. That a Refund Factor in the amount of \$.0168 per thousand cubic feet of gas be used as a reduction in the Purchased Gas Adjustment.

3. That said refund remain in effect until such time as the full amount has been returned to their customers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Western Kentucky Gas Company, apply a Refund Factor in the amount of \$.0168 per thousand cubic feet of gas as a reduction in the approved Purchased Gas Adjustment beginning May 1, 1981, and remain in effect until such time as necessary so that the refund will, nearly as possible, reflect the exact amount.

This Refund Factor will terminate at such period of time that the refundable amount equals the refund herein reported.





Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 15th day of April, 1981. PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

301 By the Commission

ATTEST:

Secretary