

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

APPLICATION OF WESTERN KENTUCKY GAS)
COMPANY, A DIVISION OF TEXAS AMERICAN)
ENERGY CORPORATION, OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY)
FOR A CERTIFICATE AUTHORIZING IT TO BID)
ON FRANCHISE ESTABLISHED AND TO BE) CASE NO. 8162
OFFERED FOR SALE BY THE CITY OF GLASGOW,)
BARREN COUNTY, KENTUCKY)

O R D E R

On the 2nd day of March, 1981, Western Kentucky Gas Company filed its Application seeking a certificate of convenience and necessity to bid on a gas franchise from the City of Glasgow, Kentucky. Pursuant to the provisions of KRS 278.020(3) no utility may apply for a franchise from any governmental agency until it has obtained a certificate of convenience and necessity from the Commission based on a finding that there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered.

A hearing in this matter was held in the Commission's offices at Frankfort, Kentucky on March 17, 1981.

The Commission, having considered the matter and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that there is a need and demand for gas service in the City of Glasgow, Kentucky. Since the Commission's authority in such matters is limited by statute to a determination as to whether there is a need and demand for the service, no finding or determination is made herein as to the validity of any of the provisions of the franchise offered by

the City or the manner in which any franchise fee is to be treated for rate purposes.

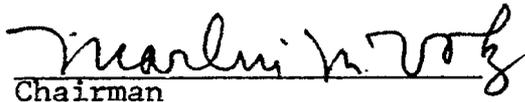
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED That Western Kentucky Gas Company be and it hereby is granted a certificate of convenience and necessity to bid on a gas franchise in the City of Glasgow, Kentucky.

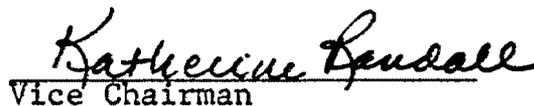
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That Western Kentucky Gas Company, should it become the successful bidder, file with the Commission a copy of the franchise.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That this Order shall not be construed as granting a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct utility facilities in the City.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 19th day of March, 1981.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary