## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

A PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT ) FILING OF ELAM UTILITY COMPANY ) CASE NO. 8178-J

## ORDER

On August 10, 1981, the Commission entered its Order in Case No. 8178, 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 or a refund is received.

On November 24, 1982, Elam Utility Company ("Elam") filed its notice with the Commission seeking approval of a method of refunding \$2,080 to its customers by applying a refund factor of \$0.09 per Mcf to its bills over a 3-month period.

After reviewing the notice filed in this case and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

1. The Commission in Case No. 8178-C ordered Elam to refund to its customers the amount of \$17,590.95. Since the entry of that Order Elam has refunded to its customers \$19,611.33, resulting in an overrefund of \$2,020.38.

2. Between October 7, 1981, and this filing Elam received refunds from its supplier amounting to \$4,100.48. Considering the overrefund made by Elam, the appropriate amount to be refunded at this time is \$2,080.

3. Elam proposes to refund this amount by a credit of \$0.09 per Mcf beginning with service rendered on and after January 1, 1983.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Elam shall apply a refund factor in the amount of \$0.09 per Mcf of gas as a reduction in the approved purchased gas adjustment beginning on January 1, 1983, which shall remain in effect until \$2,080 is refunded. The refund factor will terminate when the refunded amount equals the refund herein reported.

Done at Frankfort. Kentucky. this 14th day of December, 1982. PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

> Did not participate Chairman

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ATTEST:

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Secretary