COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF L. C. BANKS) WHITESBURG, KENTUCKY, TO DEVIATE) FROM COMMISSION REGULATION 807) CASE NO. 8476 KAR 5:026 E, SECTION 6, SUBSEC-) SECTION 6)

ORDER

On March 12, 1982, L. C. Banks, Whitesburg, Kentucky, filed a letter with the Commission requesting authority to use l-1/4-inch plastic pipe in the construction of a service line to his residence from a line of the Inland Gas Company.

The Commission decided to treat this letter as an application requesting authority to deviate from the provisions of Commission Regulation 807 KAR 5:026E, Section 6, Subsection 6.

A member of the Commission staff inspected the proposed location of the service line and found that it would be possible to bury the line to a sufficient depth to prevent damage to same by various digging activities and recommended the granting of the requested authority.

The Commission, having considered the application and all evidence of record and being fully advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

1. A hearing to consider the merits of the application will not be necessary.



2. Mr. Banks should be granted permission to use 1-1/4 inch plastic pipe in lieu of black steel pipe provided the pipe is of an approved type and the plastic service line section is buried a minimum of 36 inches with the steel pipe section buried a minimum of 24 inches.

3. The completed service line installation should be inspected by Commission staff members prior to the filling of the ditch.

4. Mr. Banks should notify the Commission when construction is sufficiently completed to allow for the above inspection.

5. The plastic pipe should be installed by persons who qualify under the requirements of 49 CFR 192.285.

6. This service line should be used only to serve one dwelling as required by Subsection 2 of Section 6 of 807 KAR 5:026E.

7. Mr. Banks should meet all other requirements of Public Service Commission Regulation 807 KAR 5:026E, Section 6, in his installations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that L. C. Banks be and he hereby is granted authority to deviate from Public Service Commission Regulation 807 KAR 5:026E, Section 6, Subsection 6, and install 1-1/4 inch plastic pipe of an approved type for his service line, said pipe to be buried a minimum of 36 inches with the 63 feet hollow crossing section installed using the proper steel pipe.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Banks shall notify the Commission when construction is sufficiently completed to allow

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for the inspection and approval of the line by the Division of Utility Engineering and Services of the Public Service Commission before service is rendered.

> Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 7th day of April, 1982. PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ATTEST:

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