COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE REQUEST OF B&H GAS COMPANY)FOR APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY PURCHASES)CASE NO.OF NATURAL GAS FROM KENTUCKY WEST)VIRGINIA GAS COMPANY)

ORDER

On March 2, 1984, the Commission approved a request from B&H Gas Company ("B&H") to make emergency purchases from Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company ("Kentucky West") for a period of 91 days, effective January 1, 1984, and to recover the additional cost of the emergency purchases by applying a 58 cent surcharge to customers' bills on a usage basis.

On April 9, 1984, the Commission received a request from B&H for an extension on the surcharge beyond the approved 91-day period to balance its account with Kentucky West. As of the end of March the surcharge revenues collected lacked approximately \$6,524, after considering the refund of \$5,651, covering the purchased gas costs from Kentucky West for January and February, 1984.

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

1. B&H is entitled to collect revenues sufficient to cover its purchased gas costs. The request for an extension of the 58 cent surcharge should be approved and should be applied to the billings for the months of April and May, 1984, unless B&H is able to balance its account with Kentucky West at an earlier date, in which event the billing of the surcharge should cease immediately.

2. B&H should file with the Commission a statement of gas costs and revenues collected at the end of May 1984, or the date at which B&H is able to balance its account with Kentucky West if earlier than May 31, 1984.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that B&H's request for an extension on the surcharge in the amount of 58 cents is hereby approved for the period through the end of May 1984, unless B&H is able to balance its account with Kentucky West at an earlier date, in which event the billing of the surcharge should cease immediately.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that B&H shall file with the Commission a statement of gas costs and revenues collected at the end of May 1984, or the date at which B&H is able to balance its account with Kentucky West if earlier than May 31, 1984.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days from the date of this Order B&H shall file its revised tariff sheets setting out the rates approved herein.



Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of April, 1984.

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ATTEST:

Secretary



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APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 8981 DATED APRIL 27, 1984

The following rates are prescribed for the customers in the area served by B&H Gas Company. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect prior to the date of this Order.

RATES :	Monthly				
First	2	Mcf	\$5.4807	(Minimum)	Bill)
Next	8	Mcf	2.5183	per Mcf	
Next	20	Mcf	2.1965	per Mcf	
Over	30	Mcf	2.0033	per Mcf	

There shall be a surcharge in the amount of 58 cents per Mcf applied to billings for the months of April and May, 1984, unless B&H is able to balance its accounts with Kentucky West at an earlier date, in which event the billing of the surcharge should cease immediately.