COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FILING OF EOUITABLE GAS COMPANY

CASE NO. 6602-Z

ORDER

On December 8, 1976, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. 6602, 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 April 8, 1985, Equitable Gas Company ("Equitable") notified the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be increased by its supplier, Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company ("Kentucky West"), effective May 1, 1985, and submitted with its notice certain information in compliance with its purchased gas adjustment clause on file with this Commission.

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

(1) Equitable's notice of April 8, 1985, set out certain revisions in rates which Equitable proposed to place into effect, said rates being designed to pass on the wholesale increase in price from its supplier in the amount of \$39,464 or 5.16 cents per Dth.

- (2) Kentucky West has filed an application for increased rates to become effective May 1, 1985, with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
- (3) Equitable's proposed rates also reflect the expiration of a refund credit of \$0.1216 per Mcf that had been in effect since May 1, 1984, as authorized in Case No. 6602-W.
- (4) Equitable's adjustment in rates under the purchased gas adjustment provisions approved by the Commission in its Order in Case No. 6602 dated December 8, 1976, is fair, just, and reasonable and in the public interest and should be effective with gas supplied on and after May 1, 1985, subject to refund. This adjustment should be subject to refund because Kentucky West's rate is subject to refund.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the rates in the Appendix to this Order be and they hereby are authorized effective with gas supplied on and after May 1, 1985, subject to refund.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the refund factor of \$0.1216 per Mcf established in Case No. 6602-W shall be eliminated as it has been in effect a full 12 months. Equitable shall file a summary statement showing a reconciliation of customer billings and the amount refunded within 30 days of the date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days of the date of this Order Equitable shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 26th day of April, 1985.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 6602-Z DATED 4/26/85

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

RATES: Monthly

Pirst	2	Mcf	\$4.2928 per	Mcf
Next	18	Mcf	4.1078 per	Mcf
Next	30	Mcf	4.0528 per	Mcf
Next	50	Mcf	4.0028 per	Mcf
All Over	100	Mcf	3.9528 per	Mcf

The above rates include the following refund factor:

\$0.0633 per Mcf effective August 1, 1984, and continuing for 12 months or until the refund obligation from Case No. 6602-X has been discharged.

The base rate for the future application of the purchased gas adjustment clause of Equitable Gas Company shall be:

Commodity

Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company

\$3.6177/dth*

^{*}Including \$0.0125 Gas Research Institute Funding Charge