

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS)
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF DELTA) CASE NO. 9331-V
NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.)

O R D E R

On December 19, 1985, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. 9331 approving certain adjustments in rates and providing under certain conditions for the further adjustment of such rates on a quarterly basis in accordance with the provisions of the Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") Clause set forth therein.

On March 27, 1991, Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Delta") filed its quarterly GCA, which is to become effective May 1, 1991 and is to remain in effect until August 1, 1991.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Delta's notice of March 27, 1991 set out certain revisions in rates which Delta proposed to place into effect, said rates being designed to pass on to its customers the wholesale decrease in gas costs from its suppliers in the amount of 19.70 cents per Mcf, excluding take-or-pay billings. Delta's expected gas cost for the quarter beginning May 1, 1991 is \$3.3291 per Mcf.

Delta's notice set out a take-or-pay recovery component of 7.50 cents per Mcf, which increased 3.26 cents per Mcf from its last GCA filing. Delta should be prepared to support the amount of its take-or-pay actual adjustments at the time of its GCA field reviews.

2. Delta's notice set out a total refund adjustment of .40 cents per Mcf. This adjustment is composed of past refund adjustments that are still in effect and a current quarter refund factor of .39 cents per Mcf. The change in the total refund adjustment from the previous to the current GCA filing is an increase of 4.21 cents per Mcf.

3. Delta's notice set out a current quarter actual adjustment in the amount of 39.89 cents per Mcf to compensate for under-recovery of gas cost by the company through the operation of its gas cost recovery procedure during the months of November and December 1990 and January 1991. The total actual adjustment of (1.07) cents per Mcf, which is designed to correct the current under-collection as well as under- and over-collections from three previous quarters, results in a 1.37 cent per Mcf increase in Delta's retail rates.

4. Delta's notice set out a balance adjustment of 4.68 cents per Mcf, to replace the previous adjustment of (1.66) cents per Mcf. This balance adjustment compensates for under-collections which occurred as a result of previous gas cost,

actual, refund, and balance adjustments. The effect on retail rates is a 6.34 cent per Mcf increase.

5. The combined effect of the above adjustments is Delta's gas cost recovery rate ("GCR") in the amount of \$3.4362 per Mcf, which is a decrease of 4.52 cents per Mcf from its last approved GCR.

6. Delta's adjustment in rates, set out in the Appendix to this Order, pursuant to the GCA provisions approved by the Commission in its Order in Case No. 9331 dated December 19, 1985, is fair, just, and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be effective with final meter readings on and after May 1, 1991.

7. In its filing dated March 27, 1991, Delta requested confidentiality for Schedule VI. Confidentiality should be granted based upon Delta's showing of the likelihood of competitive injury.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates in the Appendix, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are fair, just, and reasonable and are approved effective with final meter readings on and after May 1, 1991.

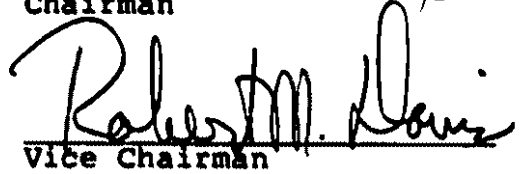
2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Delta shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

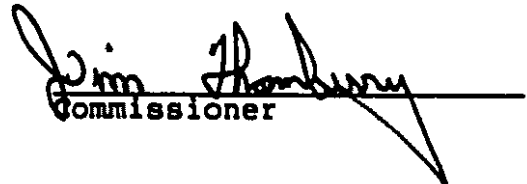
3. Delta's request for confidentiality of Schedule VI is hereby granted.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 24th day of April, 1991.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:


Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 9331-V DATED April 24, 1991.

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. 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.

RATE SCHEDULES

AVAILABILITY

Available for general use by residential, commercial, and industrial customers who purchase their entire natural gas requirements from Delta.

RATES

	<u>Base Rate</u>	<u>Gas Cost Recovery Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
	plus		equals
General Service			
Monthly Customer Charge			\$3.98
1 - 1,000 Mcf	\$2.0379	\$3.4362	5.4741 per Mcf
1,001 - 5,000 Mcf	1.8920	3.4362	5.3282 per Mcf
5,001 - 10,000 Mcf	1.5858	3.4362	5.0220 per Mcf
Over 10,000 Mcf	1.2795	3.4362	4.7157 per Mcf
Interruptible (2)			
1 - 1,000 Mcf	\$1.7826	\$3.4362	\$5.2188 per Mcf
1,001 - 5,000 Mcf	1.6368	3.4362	5.0730 per Mcf
5,001 - 10,000 Mcf	1.3306	3.4362	4.7668 per Mcf
Over 10,000 Mcf	1.0243	3.4362	4.4605 per Mcf

Transportation of Gas for Others
On-System Utilization

To the applicable rates and charges in effect for on-system transportation customers shall be added a take-or-pay recovery component of \$.0750 per Mcf.