

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS )  
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF DELTA ) CASE NO. 90-342-C  
NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC. )

O R D E R

On May 23, 1991, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. 90-342 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 December 18, 1991, Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Delta") filed its quarterly GCA, which is to become effective February 1, 1992 and is to remain in effect until May 1, 1992.

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

1. Delta's notice of December 18, 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 24.77 cents per Mcf, excluding take-or-pay billings. Delta's expected gas cost for the quarter beginning February 1, 1992 is \$2.9872 per Mcf.

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Delta's notice set out a take-or-pay recovery component of 5.82 cents per Mcf, which increased .07 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 .90 cents per Mcf. This adjustment is composed of past refund adjustments that are still in effect. There is no change in the total supplier refund adjustment.

3. Delta's notice set out a current quarter actual adjustment in the amount of 3.29 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 August, September, and October 1991. The total actual adjustment of (10.27) 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 1.76 cent per Mcf decrease in Delta's retail rates.

4. Delta's notice set out a balance adjustment of (4.46) cents per Mcf, to replace the previous adjustment of (9.95) cents per Mcf. This balance adjustment compensates for over-collections which occurred as a result of previous gas cost, actual, refund, and balance adjustments. The effect on retail rates is a 5.49 cent per Mcf increase.

5. The combined effect of the above adjustments is Delta's gas cost recovery rate ("GCR") in the amount of \$2.8891 per Mcf, which is a decrease of 20.97 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. 90-342 dated May 23, 1991, is fair, just, and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be effective with final meter readings on and after February 1, 1992.

7. In its filing dated December 18, 1991, Delta requested confidentiality for Schedule VI, which contains business information required by the Commission pertaining to Delta's subsidiaries. Delta Resources, Inc. and Delgasco engage in activities that are unregulated and highly competitive. Competitors of these subsidiaries could use business information of these subsidiaries to place themselves in an advantageous position vis-a-vis the subsidiaries and Delta. Thus, disclosure of the information is likely to cause Delta and these subsidiaries competitive injury and should be protected.

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 February 1, 1992.

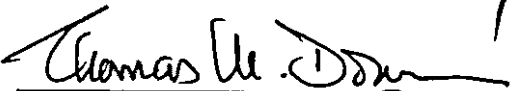
2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Delta shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

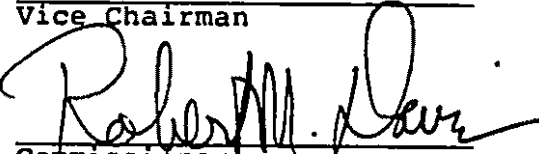
3. Schedule VI, which Delta has petitioned to be withheld from public disclosure, shall be held and retained by this Commission as confidential and shall not be open for public inspection.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of January, 1992.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chairman

  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 90-342-C DATED January 27, 1992

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.

RATES

	<u>Base Rate</u>	Gas Cost Recovery <u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u> equals
General Service			
Monthly Customer Charge			
Residential			\$5.95
Nonresidential			18.36
1 - 1,000 Mcf	\$2.4650	\$2.8891	5.3541 per Mcf
1,001 - 5,000 Mcf	2.0650	2.8891	4.9541 per Mcf
5,001 - 10,000 Mcf	1.6650	2.8891	4.5541 per Mcf
Over 10,000 Mcf	1.2650	2.8891	4.1541 per Mcf
Interruptible (2)			
Monthly Customer Charge			\$185.00
1 - 1,000 Mcf	\$1.7000	\$2.8891	4.5891 per Mcf
1,001 - 5,000 Mcf	1.3000	2.8891	4.1891 per Mcf
5,001 - 10,000 Mcf	.9000	2.8891	3.7891 per Mcf
Over 10,000 Mcf	.5000	2.8891	3.3891 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 \$.0582 per Mcf.