COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF GAS COST ADJUSTMENT) FILING OF WESTERN LEWIS-) CASE NO. 92-331-M RECTORVILLE WATER AND GAS DISTRICT)

ORDER

On May 12, 1993, in Case No. 92-331, the Commission approved adjustments to the rates of Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District ("Western Lewis") to recover its purchased gas cost on a quarterly basis in accordance with the provisions of its gas cost adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On May 31, 1996, Western Lewis filed its GCA to be effective from July 1, 1996 to October 1, 1996.

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

1. Western Lewis's notice proposed revised rates to pass on its expected wholesale decrease in gas costs to its customers. Western Lewis's expected gas cost ("EGC") is \$4.1584 per Mcf.

2. Western Lewis's notice set out no refund adjustment.

3. Western Lewis's current actual adjustment ("AA") is 58.80 cents per Mcf to collect under-recoveries of January, February, and March 1996 gas cost from its customers. The total AA of 25.25 cents per Mcf reflects the current under-recovery, as well

as previous quarters' under- and over-recovery. Western Lewis neglected to correctly include the previous quarter AA of (34.74) cents in its calculation of the total AA.

4. Western Lewis's notice set out its current balance adjustment ("BA") of 2.46 cents per Mcf to reconcile a previous quarter AA. The total BA is 6.27 cents per Mcf.

5. These combined adjustments produce a corrected gas cost recovery rate ("GCR") of \$4.4736 per Mcf, 25.04 cents per Mcf more than its prior rate.

6. The revised rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be approved for service rendered on and after July 1, 1996.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Western Lewis's proposed rates be and they hereby are denied.

2. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and are effective for service rendered on and after July 1, 1996.

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

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 26th day of June, 1996.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 92-331-M DATED JUNE 26, 1996

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District. 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 effective date of this Order.

RETAIL RATES:

Customer Charge

\$1.00 per month

Gas Cost

Monthly Usage

	Base Rate	Recovery <u>Rate</u>	Total
First 1,000 cu. ft. or less (Minimum Bill)	\$3.9883	\$4.4736	\$8.4619
Next 4,000 cu. ft. per 1,000 cu. ft.	1.4565	4.4736	5.9301
Next 5,000 cu. ft. per 1,000 cu. ft.	1.3970	4.4736	5.8706
Over 10,000 cu. ft. per 1,000 cu. ft.	1.2228	4.4736	5.6964