

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS )  
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF THE )  
UNION LIGHT, HEAT AND POWER ) CASE NO. 92-346-M  
COMPANY )

O R D E R

On August 31, 1993, in Case No. 92-346, the Commission approved certain adjusted rates for The Union Light, Heat and Power Company ("ULH&P") and provided for their further adjustment on a quarterly basis in accordance with its approved gas cost adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On October 28, 1996, ULH&P filed its GCA to be effective November 27, 1996 through February 28, 1997.

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

1. ULH&P's notice of October 28, 1996 proposed revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its wholesale increase in gas costs. ULH&P's proposed expected gas cost ("EGC") of \$3.821 per Mcf includes a take-or-pay recovery component of 0 cents per Mcf. ULH&P received a take-or-pay refund of \$763,841 from Columbia Gas Transmission, which will reduce gas cost to customers in the amount of 5 cents per Mcf. This amount is not included in the GCR rate but is set out on a separate tariff sheet.

2. ULH&P's notice of October 28, 1996 set out a current quarter refund adjustment of (6.4) cents per Mcf as an adjustment to a prior period refund. The total refund adjustment of 2.1 cents per Mcf is composed of the current adjustment as well as previous quarter adjustments.

3. ULH&P's notice of October 28, 1996 set out a current quarter actual adjustment of 12.0 cents per Mcf to collect under-recovered gas cost from June, July, and August 1996. The proposed total actual adjustment of 16.8 cents per Mcf reflects the current under-collection, as well as under- and over-collections from three previous quarters.

4. ULH&P's notice of October 28, 1996 set out a current quarter balancing adjustment of 5.8 cents per Mcf to reconcile variances from previous actual, refund, and balance adjustments. The total balance adjustment of 13.6 cents per Mcf reflects the current, as well as the three previous, balance adjustments.

5. ULH&P proposed a Firm Standby Rate of \$2.294 per Mcf and an Interruptible Standby Rate of 79.5 cents per Mcf.

6. The combined effect of the above adjustments is ULH&P's gas cost recovery rate ("GCR") of \$4.104 per Mcf, 60.6 cents per Mcf more than the previously authorized rate.

7. ULH&P's adjustment in rates contained in the Appendix to this Order is fair, just, and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be approved effective with bills rendered on and after November 27, 1996.


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates in the Appendix, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are fair, just, and reasonable and are authorized to be effective with bills rendered on and after November 27, 1996.

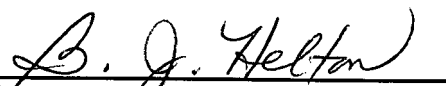
2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, ULH&P shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 25th day of November, 1996.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chairman

  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 92-346-M DATED NOVEMBER 25, 1996

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by The Union Light, Heat and Power 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.

GAS SERVICE RATES  
RATE  
RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

	<u>Base Rate</u>	<u>Gas Cost Adjustment</u>	<u>Total Rate</u>
Commodity Charge for All CCF Consumed	22.02¢ plus	41.04¢ equals	63.06¢ per CCF

RATE GS  
GENERAL SERVICE

	<u>Base Rate</u>	<u>Gas Cost Adjustment</u>	<u>Total Rate</u>
Commodity Charge for All CCF Consumed	20.07¢ plus	41.04¢ equals	61.11¢ per CCF

RATE SS  
STANDBY SERVICE

Firm Standby Service

For the volume specified in the written agreement, the customer shall pay an additional charge of 22.94 cents per Ccf.

Interruptible Standby Service

For the volume specified in the written agreement, the customer shall pay an additional charge of 7.95 cents per Ccf.

Take-or-Pay Recovery Charge

The T-O-P charge to be billed during the months of December, January, and February is (.005) cents per Ccf.