

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION OF AUXIER ROAD GAS COMPANY)	
FOR A DEVIATION FROM 807 KAR 5:022)	CASE NO.
SECTION 13(17)(G)(4) ODORIZATION REPORT)	97-150

O R D E R

On March 21, 1997, Auxier Road Gas Company ("Auxier") submitted an application for a deviation from 807 KAR 5:022, Section 13(17)(G)(4). This deviation will allow Auxier to conduct sampling of the natural gas in its system assuring proper concentration of odorant on a monthly rather than weekly basis.

On April 23, 1997, Staff inspected Auxier's system to review its odorization practices. Auxier's operation of the odorization system and the odorant level in its gas were found to be adequate. Auxier provides a naturally odorized, locally produced, natural gas to its customers. The amount of odorant added to the gas is negligible. The capacity of the odorant tank is one gallon. Auxier estimates the annual savings if the deviation is granted to be \$2,700.

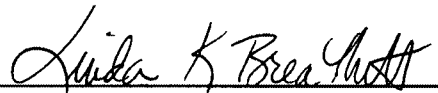
After consideration of the record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that the petition of Auxier for a deviation from 807 KAR 5:022, Section 13(17)(G)(4), to extend the testing of the odorant levels from weekly to monthly should be granted.


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Auxier is granted a deviation from 807 KAR 5:022, Section 13(17)(G)(4), to extend the testing of the odorant levels in the natural gas of its system from weekly to monthly.
2. Auxier shall keep a monthly test record of the odorant level in its gas of its system. However, if any test shows a drop in the odorant level below the acceptable level pursuant to 807 KAR 5:022, Section (13)(17)(a), Auxier shall immediately resume weekly testing for odorant levels.
3. Auxier shall notify the Commission, in writing within 5 days of testing, if the odorant level drops below that prescribed in 807 KAR 5:022, Section 13(17)(a).

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 12th day of June, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:


Executive Director