COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE ADJUSTMENT OF RATES OF)AUXIER ROAD GAS COMPANY, INC.)CASE NO. 10288-MM

<u>O R D E R</u>

On April 10, 1991, in Case Nos. 10288-D and 10288-E, the Commission approved the Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") Clause of Auxier Road Gas Company, Inc. ("Auxier") allowing for the quarterly adjustment of its rates.

On May 25, 2000, Auxier filed its GCA to become effective from July 1, 2000 to September 30, 2000.

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

1. In its notice of May 25, 2000, Auxier proposed revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected wholesale increase in gas costs. Auxier's proposed EGC is \$4.1657 per Mcf, 86.17 cents per Mcf more than the prior EGC of \$3.3040.

2. Auxier's notice set out no refund adjustment.

3. Auxier's notice set out a current quarter actual adjustment ("AA") of (3.1) cents per Mcf to reconcile gas cost from January, February and March 2000. The total AA of (17.94) cents per Mcf reflects the current over-recovery as well as under- and over-recoveries from previous quarters. The total AA represents a decrease of 4.2 cents per Mcf from the total AA previously in effect.

4. Auxier's notice set out a current quarter balance adjustment ("BA") of .2 cent per Mcf. The total BA of 1 cent per Mcf is composed of the current and previous quarter BAs, and represents an increase of .2 cent per Mcf from the total BA previously in effect.

5. These adjustments produce a gas cost recovery rate of \$3.9963 per Mcf, an increase of 82.17 cents per Mcf from the prior rate of \$3.1746 per Mcf.

6. The rate adjustment in the Appendix to this Order is fair, just and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be approved for service rendered on and after July 1, 2000.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and are effective for service rendered on and after July 1, 2000.

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

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 22nd day of June, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

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Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 10288-MM DATED JUNE 22, 2000

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Auxier Road Gas Company, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain in effect under authority of this Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

RATES:

	Base Rate	Gas Cost Recovery <u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
First Mcf (Minimum Bill)	\$5.11	\$3.9963	\$9.1063
All Over 1 Mcf	4.2599	3.9963	\$8.2562