COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS)
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF JOHNSON) CASE NO. 99-155-A
COUNTY GAS COMPANY, INC.)

<u>ORDER</u>

On September 1, 1999, in Case No. 99-155, the Commission approved certain adjusted rates for Johnson County Gas Company, Inc. ("Johnson County") and provided for their further adjustment in accordance with Johnson County's gas cost adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On November 6, 2000, Johnson County filed its GCA to be effective November 23, 2000 and requested a waiver of the 30-day notice requirement. Although Johnson County proposed November 23, 2000 as the effective date, the Commission did not receive Johnson County's application until November 6, 2000. KRS 278.180 allows the Commission to shorten the 30-day notice requirement to 20 days upon a showing of good cause, making November 26, 2000 the earliest possible date that the new rates could be effective.

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

1. Johnson County's notice of November 6, 2000 proposed revised rates to pass on its expected increase in gas costs to its customers. Johnson County's

proposed expected gas cost ("EGC") is \$7.2733, \$3.7275 per Mcf more than the previously approved EGC of \$3.5458.

- 2. Johnson County's notice set out no refund adjustment.
- 3. Johnson County's notice proposed no current quarter actual adjustment ("AA"). The total AA of (12.43) cents per Mcf, approved by the Commission in Case No. 10415-KK, Johnson County's last GCA filing, was effective April 1, 1999. The last prior quarter AA included in that total AA expired April 1, 2000, therefore, no AA should be included in the final GCA for this filing.
- 4. Johnson County proposed no balancing adjustment ("BA"). The BA of (.81) cent per Mcf in effect with the Commission's order in Case No. 10415-KK expired April 1, 2000, therefore, no BA should be included in the final GCA for this filing. This represents an increase of .81 cent per Mcf from the prior BA in effect.
- 5. Johnson County's gas cost recovery rate is \$7.2733 per Mcf, \$3.8599 per Mcf more than the previously approved rate of \$3.4134.
- 6. Johnson County's adjustment in rates is fair, just, and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be effective with service rendered on and after November 26, 2000.
- 7. Good cause exists to permit the proposed rates to become effective upon 20 days notice to the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The rates proposed by Johnson County are approved.
- 2. The rates in the Appendix are fair, just, and reasonable and are approved effective for final meter readings on and after November 26, 2000.

3. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Johnson County shall file with the Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized in this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of November, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 99-155-A DATED NOVEMBER 27, 2000

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Johnson County 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 effective date of this Order.

RATES:

Residential

redic	<u>Monthly</u>	Base Rate	Gas Cost Recovery <u>Rate</u>	Total <u>Rate</u>
	Minimum Bill 0-1 Mcf All additional Mcf	\$6.9542 \$5.9542	\$7.2733 \$7.2733	\$14.2275 \$13.2275
Commercial				
	Monthly All Mcf	\$6.3042	\$7.2733	\$13.5775