

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF BURKESVILLE	)	
GAS COMPANY, INC. FOR A RATE	)	
ADJUSTMENT PURSUANT TO THE	)	
ALTERNATIVE RATE FILING	)	CASE NO. 2000-158
PROCEDURE FOR SMALL UTILITIES	)	

O R D E R

On April 27, 2000, Burkesville Gas Company, Inc. ("Burkesville") filed its application for an adjustment of its rates for natural gas distribution services pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076, the Alternative Rate Adjustment Procedure for small utilities. Burkesville's proposed base rates would increase annual operating revenue by \$53,286 or 40.37 percent.

Commission Staff ("Staff") conducted a limited review of Burkesville's test period financial records and issued its report on October 30, 2000. Staff recommended in its report that the requested base rates in this case be approved as they will not result in overearning. Burkesville's proposed rates would result in normalized revenue of \$185,262.

On October 30, 2000, an Order by the Commission required all parties to provide written comments regarding the Staff Report or any requests for hearing or informal conference within 10 days. On November 6, 2000, Burkesville responded to the Order and accepted the Staff Report recommendations; therefore, the case has been submitted to the Commission for a decision.

The Commission, after considering the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that::

1. The recommendations and findings in the Staff Report are reasonable and should be adopted as the Commission's findings and incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

2. The base rates in Appendix A, when combined with its gas cost recovery rates, will produce gross annual natural gas distribution revenue of \$185,282 and are fair, just and reasonable rates for Burkesville.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The base rates requested by Burkesville and recommended by Staff that are contained in Appendix A are approved for service rendered by Burkesville on and after the date of this Order.

2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Burkesville shall file with the Commission revised tariffs setting out the rates approved herein, showing their effective date and stating that they were issued pursuant to this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2000-158 DATED NOVEMBER 20, 2000

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Burkesville 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.

Residential	\$4.25 per McF
Commercial	\$3.90 per McF