

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF THE UNION LIGHT, HEAT)
AND POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A)
STATISTICAL SAMPLE METER TEST PLAN FOR) CASE NO. 98-526
RESIDENTIAL, INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL)
CLASS METERS PURSUANT TO 807 KAR 5:022,)
SECTION 8(5)(C)

O R D E R

On October 6, 1998, The Union Light, Heat and Power Company ("ULH&P") filed an application requesting approval of a statistical sample meter test plan ("Plan") for residential gas meters pursuant to 807 KAR 5:022, Section 8(5)(c). On April 1, 1999, ULH&P's Plan was approved by the Commission for a period of 5 years or until April 1, 2004. On January 9, 2001, ULH&P filed an application requesting to terminate its Plan and revert to the periodic testing of meters as set forth at 807 KAR 5:022, Section 8(3) and (5) and 807 KAR 5:006, Section 16(1). ULH&P states that it would be more efficient to test the meters under the periodic testing because of the regulatory requirements for the operational checks of the curb valves and boxes, and the checks on customer regulators, vent and relief valves.

ULH&P states that it has completed the periodic meter tests required by Commission regulations, except in cases where it has been denied access to test meters located inside customers' premises.

The Commission finds that ULH&P's request to terminate its Plan should be accepted.

Each calendar quarter, ULH&P should file with the Commission its periodic reports of meter tests, number of customers and amount of refunds.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. ULH&P's request to terminate its statistical sample meter test pilot plan is approved.

2. Each calendar quarter, ULH&P shall file with the Commission its periodic reports of meter tests, number of customers and amount of refunds pursuant to 807 KAR 5:006, Section 3(2).

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 12th day of March, 2001.

By the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director