

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS)	
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF DELTA)	CASE NO. 2005-00547
NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.)	

INITIAL DATA REQUEST OF COMMISSION STAFF
TO DELTA NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.

Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Delta"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is requested to file with the Commission the original and 6 copies of the information requested, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due no later than 10 days from the date of this request. Each copy of the data requested should be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the person who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. Where information herein has been previously provided, in the format requested herein, reference may be made to the specific location of said information in responding to this information request.

1. Refer to Schedule IV of Delta's application, which shows the calculation of its actual adjustment. Delta has experienced periodic spikes in its per unit book cost of gas in prior purchased gas adjustment filings. However, the magnitude of the spikes in the current application appears to be greater than in the past.

a. For each month, August, September, and October of 2005, explain in detail why the per unit book cost of gas was \$25.58, \$20.28 and \$73.67, respectively.

b. Is Delta aware of any means by which these spikes in its per unit book cost of gas could be minimized? Explain the response.



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DATED: January 13, 2006

cc: All Parties