COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT)	
FILING OF DUKE ENERGY)	CASE NO. 2012-00176
KENTUCKY, INC.)	

ORDER

On December 29, 2009, in Case No. 2009-00202,¹ the Commission approved rates for Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. ("Duke") and provided for their further adjustment in accordance with Duke's Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On May 11, 2012, Duke filed its GCA to be effective May 31, 2012. Duke revised its application on May 15, 2012.

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

- 1. Duke's notice includes rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in wholesale gas costs.
- 2. Duke's Expected Gas Cost ("EGC") is \$4.618 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.468 per Mcf from its previous EGC of \$4.150 per Mcf.
- 3. Duke's notice sets out its current quarter Refund Adjustment ("RA") of (\$.001) per Mcf. Duke's total RA is (\$.004) per Mcf, which represents no change from its previous total RA.

¹ Case No. 2009-00202, Application of Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. for an Adjustment of Rates (Ky. PSC Dec. 29, 2009).

- 4. Duke's notice sets out its current quarter Actual Adjustment ("AA") of (\$.233) per Mcf. Duke's total AA is (\$.329) per Mcf, which represents a decrease of (\$.195) per Mcf from its previous total AA of (\$.134) per Mcf.
- 5. Duke's notice sets out a current quarter Balancing Adjustment ("BA") of \$.055 per Mcf. Duke's total BA of \$.048 per Mcf represents an increase of \$.044 per Mcf from its previous total BA of \$.004 per Mcf.
- 6. Duke's Gas Cost Recovery ("GCR") rate is \$4.333 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.317 per Mcf from its previous GCR of \$4.016 per Mcf.
- 7. The rates as proposed by Duke in its revised application and set forth in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and should be approved for final meter readings by Duke on and after May 31, 2012.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- The rates proposed by Duke in its revised application and set forth in the Appendix to this Order are approved for final meter readings on and after May 31, 2012.
- 2. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Duke shall file its revised tariffs with this Commission setting out the rates approved herein and reflecting that they were approved pursuant to this Order.

By the Commission

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Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2012-00176 DATED MAY 3 0 2012

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

GAS SERVICE RATES

RATE RS RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

	Base <u>Rate</u>		Gas Cost Adjustment	Total <u>Rate</u>
Commodity Charge for All Ccf Consumed	\$.37213	plus	\$.4333	\$.80543
	RA GENERA	TE GS AL SER	VICE	
	Base <u>Rate</u>		Gas Cost <u>Adjustment</u>	Total <u>Rate</u>
Commodity Charge for All Ccf Consumed	\$.20530		\$.4333	\$.6386

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The amount of this charge or (credit) shall be (\$.0285) per 100 cubic feet. This rate shall be in effect during the months of June 2012 through August 2012 and shall be updated quarterly, concurrent with the Company's GCA filings.

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