## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

KENTUCKY FRONTIER GAS, LLC

ALLEGED VIOLATION OF UNDERGROUND FACILITY DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT

CASE NO. 2019-00280

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## <u>ORDER</u>

By Order entered August 27, 2019, the Commission initiated a formal investigation into an incident of excavation damage to an underground natural gas pipeline owned by Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC (Kentucky Frontier), located in Salyersville, Kentucky, that occurred on October 6, 2018. The Commission scheduled a formal hearing in the matter for September 27, 2019, at 9 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

Kentucky Frontier filed a response to the Order on August 30, 2019. In its response, Kentucky Frontier refers to a number of additional incidents of excavation damage to Kentucky Frontier facilities that were under investigation by Commission Staff. Kentucky Frontier states in its response that it believes a single hearing to address all incidents under investigation would be a more efficient means of addressing the issues than having a separate hearing on each incident. Kentucky Frontier moves that the September 27, 2019 hearing be rescheduled to October 9, 10, 16 or 17, 2019, or to a date that accommodates the schedules of the Commission and Kentucky Frontier.

In a series of orders entered on September 9, 10, and 11, 2019, the Commission initiated formal investigations into twelve additional incidents of excavation damage involving Kentucky Frontier facilities.<sup>1</sup> The Commission scheduled each of these cases for a formal hearing on November 8, 2019, at 9 a.m. Eastern Standard Time. The Commission finds that in the interests of efficiency, the hearing scheduled for September 27, 2019, in this matter should be canceled and rescheduled for November 8, 2019, to be heard with the other Kentucky Frontier excavation damage cases.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

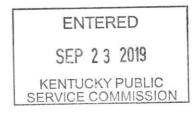
1. The hearing scheduled in this matter for September 27, 2019, is canceled.

2. Kentucky Frontier shall appear on November 8, 2019, at 9 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky for the purpose of presenting evidence concerning the alleged violation of the Underground Facility Damage Prevention Act that occurred on October 6, 2018, and showing cause why it should not be subject to the penalties prescribed in KRS 367.4917(1) and (4) for this alleged violation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Case Nos. 2019-00309 and 2019-00314 to 2019-00324.

By the Commission

Commissioner Talina Mathews did not participate in this case.



ATTEST:

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