### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT ) CASE NO. FILING OF CITIPOWER, LLC ) 2019-00442

#### ORDER

On December 9, 2019, Citipower, LLC (Citipower), filed its Gas Cost Recovery (GCR) rate report, for rates effective as of January 1, 2020.

After reviewing the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

- Citipower's report proposes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in gas costs.
- 2. Citipower's report sets out an Expected Gas Cost (EGC) of \$4.9606 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.5134 per Mcf from the prior EGC of \$4.4472 per Mcf. Citipower's average 12-month EGC is based in part on the expectation that it will need to buy gas at a higher-than-normal price from Citizens Gas Utility District (Citizens Gas) during periods of high usage in cold weather. Citizens Gas's volumes are priced using current price projections as of October 2019. The EGC is otherwise based on Citipower's expected cost of gas from its primary supplier, Citigas, LLC (Citigas), a Citipower affiliate pursuant to 278.010(18), using the New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) Natural Gas 12-Month strip rate for November 2019.
  - Citipower's report sets out no Refund Adjustment.

- 4. Citipower's report sets out a current quarter Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) of (\$.0707) per Mcf. Citipower's total ACA is (\$.0649) per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.0175 per Mcf from its previous total ACA of (\$.0474) per Mcf.
- 5. Citipower's report sets out a current quarter Balance Adjustment (BA) of \$.0886 per Mcf. Citipower did not include the reconciliation of the expired (\$.0366) per Mcf ACA previously approved in Case No. 2018-00303¹ in the calculation of its current quarter BA. Citipower's corrected current quarter BA is (\$.0012) per Mcf. Correcting this produces a total BA of (\$.0294) per Mcf, which is a change of (\$.0231) per Mcf from its previous total BA of (\$.0063) per Mcf.
- Citipower's corrected GCR rate is \$4.8663 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.4728 per Mcf from the previous GCR rate of \$4.3935 per Mcf.
- To aid in the Commission's review of Citipower's reports, Citipower should continue to submit all invoices it receives from Citigas and Citizens Gas when it files its GCR rate reports.
- 8. The rates set forth in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and should be approved for service rendered by Citipower on and after January 8, 2020. Citipower did not provide the 30 days' notice required for its rate to be effective January 1, 2020.
- 9. Should Citipower purchase sustainable natural gas from a renewable source during the reporting period of any future GCR reports, then the supplier, cost, and amount must be documented in its cover letter to the Commission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Case No. 2018-00303, Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Citipower, LLC (Ky. PSC Sept. 20, 2018)

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- The rates proposed by Citipower are denied.
- 2. The rates set forth in the Appendix to this Order are approved for service rendered by Citipower on and after January 8, 2020.
- Citipower shall submit all invoices received from Citigas and Citizens Gas as part of all future GCR filings.
- 4. Within 20 days of the date of entry of this Order, Citipower shall file with this Commission, using the Commission's electronic Tariff Filing System, revised tariff sheets setting out the rates approved herein and reflecting that they were approved pursuant to this Order.
  - 5. This case is hereby closed and removed from the Commission's docket.

## By the Commission

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

#### **APPENDIX**

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2019-00442 DATED DEC 2 0 2019

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

RESIDENTIAL		Gas Cost Recovery	
All Mcf	<u>Base Rate</u> \$7.8500	Rate \$4.8663	<u>Total</u> \$12.7163
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL  Gas Cost			
All Mcf	<u>Base Rate</u> \$ 7.9000	Recovery Rate \$4.8663	<u>Total</u> \$12.7663
INSTITUTIONAL		Gas Cost	
All Mcf	Base Rate \$ 8.4200	Recovery Rate \$4.8663	<u>Total</u> \$13.2863

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