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RE: Case No. 2009-00535

Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc.

(Financing)

The Commission staff has reviewed Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s application in the above case and finds that it meets the minimum filing requirements. Enclosed please find a stamped filed copy of the first page of your filing. This case has been docketed and will be processed as expeditiously as possible.

If you need further assistance, please contact my staff at 502-564-3940.

Sincerely,

Jeff Derouen

Executive Director

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF THE DELTA) NATURAL GAS COMPANY, 2009-00535 CASE NO. AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF **SECURITIES PURSUANT INCENTIVE** TO AN **COMPENSATION PLAN** DEC 2 1 2009

APPLICATION

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Delta") hereby requests, pursuant to KRS 278.300, that the Commission authorize the issuance of up to 500,000 shares of common stock by Delta pursuant to its Incentive Compensation Plan, approved by Delta's shareholders on November 19, 2009. A copy of the Incentive Compensation Plan is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by reference. In support of this Application, Delta states as follows:

- 1. The full name and mailing address of Delta are Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc., 3617 Lexington Road, Winchester, Kentucky 40391. Delta is a Kentucky corporation authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
- 2. A certified copy of Delta's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation was filed with the Commission in Case No. 2007-00089 (In the Matter of: Application of Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. for an Adjustment of Rates) and is incorporated by reference herein pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8(3).
- 3. Delta is a utility engaged in the natural gas business. Delta purchases, sells, stores and transports natural gas in Bath, Estill, Montgomery, Menifee, Madison,