#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF DELTA NATURAL GAS COMPANY, ) CASE NO. INC. FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF RATES ) 2010-00116

### ORDER

On October 21, 2010, the Commission issued an Order in this matter approving an increase in base rates designed to permit Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Delta") to generate additional annual revenues of \$3,291,328. This increase in revenues was based on the finding that Delta's net operating income deficiency for its adjusted historical test year ending December 31, 2009 was \$1,996,461.

The Commission has determined that an error in calculating Delta's adjusted test-year income tax expense<sup>1</sup> caused Delta's net operating income deficiency to be understated by \$134,530 in the October 21, 2010 Order. The corrected net operating income deficiency is \$2,130,991, which, grossed-up for income taxes, results in a required overall increase of \$3,513,112.<sup>2</sup> The correction in the amount of the required annual revenue results in an increase of \$221,784. The additional increase in revenues

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The error occurred by using the \$1,009,395 income tax adjustment related to Delta's proposed increase (Application, Item 27, Schedule 7) rather than the \$915,653 test year tax adjustment (Application, Schedule 2, Item 42), for a difference of \$93,742. Revising the tax adjustment by \$40,788, the tax effect of adjustments revised in Delta's August 24, 2010 update to its application, caused the net operating income deficiency to be understated by \$134,530 (\$93,742 + \$40,788 = \$134,530).

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  The net operating income deficiency is divided by the income tax gross-up factor to determine the required increase (\$2,130,991 / 0.6065821 = \$3,513,112).

was allocated to the volumetric charges of all customer classes that originally received an increase in rates, and in proportion to the original increase allocated to each class.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED to be entered nunc pro tunc that:

- 1. The Commission's Order of October 21, 2010 shall be revised to provide for an increase in Delta's base rate revenues of \$3,513,112.
- 2. The rates in the Appendix to the October 21, 2010 Order shall, to the extent necessary, be replaced and superseded by the rates in the Appendix attached hereto and incorporated herein.
- 3. All other provisions of the October 21, 2010 Order in this proceeding shall remain in full force and effect.
- 4. Delta shall, within 20 days of the date of this Order, file its revised tariff sheets setting out the base rates approved herein and the Gas Cost Recovery rate effective at the time of the October 21, 2010 Order in this proceeding.
- 5. Delta shall, within 20 days of the date of this Order, file its revised tariff sheets setting out the base rates approved herein and the Gas Cost Recovery Rate effective October 25, 2010 pursuant to the Order in Case No. 2010-00377.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Case No. 2010-00377, Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Ky. PSC Oct. 15, 2010).

# By the Commission

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ATTEST

Executive Director

#### **APPENDIX**

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2010-00116 DATED NOV 2.9 2010

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

## RATE SCHEDULES

Available for general use by residential, commercial, and industrial customers.

## **RATES**

		Gas Cost Recovery	
	Base Rate +	<u>Rate</u> * =	Total Rate
Residential	Ф 00.70		
Customer Charge All Mcf	\$ 20.70 \$ 4.3185	\$ 7.4664	\$ 11.7849
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Small Non-Residential			
Customer Charge	\$ 31.20	<b>A</b> =	
All Mcf	\$ 4.3185	\$ 7.4664	\$ 11.7849
Large Non-Residential			
Customer Charge	\$ 131.00		
First 200 Mcf	\$ 4.3185	\$ 7.4664	\$ 11.7849
Next 800 Mcf	2.6696	7.4664	10.1360
Next 4,000 Mcf	1.8735	7.4664	9.3399
Next 5,000 Mcf	1.4735	7.4664	8.9399
Over 10,000 Mcf	1.2735	7.4664	8.7399
Unmetered Gas Lights – Resider	ntial and Commercia	I	
All Mcf	\$ 4.3185	\$ 7.4664	\$ 11.7849

<sup>\*</sup> This is the Gas Cost Recovery Rate that was in effect when the October 21, 2010 order was issued.

On-System	Transportation -	- Small	Non-Residential

Customer Charge		\$ 31.20
First 200	Mcf	\$ 4.3185
Next 800	Mcf	2.6696
Next 4,000	Mcf	1.8735
Next 5,000	Mcf	1.4735
Over 10,000	Mcf	1.2735

## On-System Transportation – Large Non-Residential

Customer Ch	narge	\$ 131.00
First 200	Mcf	\$ 4.3185
Next 800	Mcf	2.6696
Next 4,000	Mcf	1.8735
Next 5,000	Mcf	1.4735
Over 10,000	Mcf	1.2735

# On-System Transportation – Residential

Customer Charge \$ 20.70 All Mcf \$ 4.3185

## Off-System Transportation

All Dth \$ .2826

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