COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT)	
FILING OF AUXIER ROAD GAS)	CASE NO. 2010-00002
COMPANY, INC.)	

ORDER

On April 2, 2009, in Case No. 2008-00156, the Commission approved the Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") clause of Auxier Road Gas Company, Inc. ("Auxier") allowing for the monthly adjustment of its rates.¹

On January 4, 2010, Auxier filed its proposed GCA to be effective February 1, 2010.

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

- 1. Auxier's notice includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in wholesale gas costs.
- 2. Auxier's notice sets out an Expected Gas Cost ("EGC") of \$7.1363 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.3731 per Mcf from its prior EGC of \$6.7632 per Mcf.
 - 3. Auxier's notice sets out no current Refund Adjustment.
- 4. Auxier's notice sets out a current month Actual Adjustment ("AA") of \$.0445 per Mcf. Commission Staff made an additional adjustment to the current AA to

¹ Case No. 2008-00156, Application of Auxier Road Gas Company, Inc. for an Adjustment in Rates and Certain Nonrecurring Charges (Ky. PSC Apr. 2, 2009).

correct under-recoveries resulting from an error in stating July purchase volumes in an earlier filing. This adjustment results in a current month AA of \$.0503, which produces a total AA of (\$2.1152) per Mcf, an increase of \$.0503 per Mcf from its previous total AA of (\$2.1655) per Mcf.

- 5. Auxier's notice sets out no current quarter Balance Adjustment ("BA"). The total BA of \$.0068 per Mcf represents no change from the previous total BA.
- 6. Auxier's Gas Cost Recovery rate is \$5.0279 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.4234 per Mcf from its previous rate of \$4.6045 per Mcf.
- 7. Auxier did not give the 30 days' notice required for an increase in rates to be effective February 1, 2010.
- 8. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just and reasonable, and should be approved for billing for service rendered by Auxier on and after February 3, 2010.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The rates proposed by Auxier are hereby denied.
- 2. The rates in the Appendix attached hereto and incorporated herein are approved for billing for service rendered on and after February 3, 2010.
- 3. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Auxier shall file its revised tariff sheets with this Commission setting out the rates approved herein, reflecting that they were approved pursuant to this Order.

By the Commission

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2010-00002 DATED JAN 2 5 2010

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Auxier Road 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.

RATES:

	Gas Cost Recovery		
	Base Rate	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
First Mcf (Minimum Bill) All Over 1 Mcf	\$ 6.36 \$ 5.0645	\$5.0279 \$5.0279	\$11.3879 \$ 10.0924

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