

## **Melnykovich, Andrew (PSC)**

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**From:** PSC - Public Information Officer  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 16, 2013 4:50 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** your comments in case number 2013-00332 - AmeriGas

Dear Mr. Lassiter:

Thank you for your comments regarding proposed discontinuance of service by AmeriGas to the Bright's Bottled Gas system. Your comments will be placed into the case file for the Commission's review as it considers this matter. As you noted, the case number in this matter is 2013-00322. Please cite it in any future correspondence regarding this case so that your comments may be readily directed to the case file.

Thank you again for your interest.

*Andrew Melnykovich*

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**From:** Jody Lassiter [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 09, 2013 2:44 PM  
**To:** PSC - Public Information Officer; PSC - Consumer Web Inquiry  
**Subject:** Case Related Question: Case #2013-00332

ATTN:  
Jeff R. Derouen, Executive Director  
Stephanie C. Bell, Deputy Executive Director – External  
Kentucky Public Service Commission

Mr. Derouen and Ms. Bell:

As a resident of the Old Bridge subdivision in western Boyle County, I write to express my opposition to the request by AmeriGas to discontinue our current natural gas pipeline system (formerly provided by Bright's Bottled Gas) and to replace it with a system of individual tanks placed at each residence, periodically filled by tanker trucks.

Old Bridge subdivision was developed with a system of pipelines served by one master tank, a system which the developers, residents, and subsequent purchasers have paid to install and use via tap-on fees. No question has been raised regarding the efficiency or operation of the current system, which is in good repair and working order. AmeriGas's request to the Public Service Commission appears to be a ploy to remove the regulation of our residential system and rates from the oversight of the PSC, as the individual tank proposal would not be regulated by PSC. This would potentially result in unreasonable and unrestricted rate increases in our residential service without PSC oversight.

Also, AmeriGas's proposal appears to be in violation of the subdivision's covenants and residential deed restrictions prohibiting installation of any above- or below-ground tanks. Obviously, this was the rationale for the current pipeline system in the first place.

Finally, as the economic development executive for Boyle County, I am sensitive to the fact that Old Bridge ranks at the top of our community's residential destinations. In my opinion, this proposal would make the subdivision less attractive and less desirable to new residents. For a subdivision with golf course in the more rural edge of the county on Lake Herrington, the gas line infrastructure is a plus. To abandon it now is as logical as refusing a water line from a long-installed municipal or county water district system in favor of digging a cistern or well. In effect, it is a proposal to go backward, not forward.

I strongly urge the Commission to deny this request by AmeriGas.

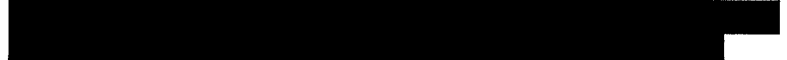
Regards,

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**From:** Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 16, 2013 4:51 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** your comments in case number 2013-00332 - AmeriGas

Dear Ms. Porter:

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**From:** Linda Porter [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 04, 2013 11:17 AM  
**To:** PSC - Consumer Web Inquiry  
**Subject:** Case Number 2013-00332

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Dear Reader,

I am writing in reference to the proposed abandonment of pipeline delivery service to Old Bridge Development in Boyle County by Bright's Propane (AmeriGas) - Case Number 2013-00332. My husband has written already on behalf of our household. I would also like to state my personal objection based on the harm that this can do to the properties impacted.

The solution offered by AmeriGas to it's customers upon it's abandonment of the service is to supply us with a tank which will may be buried by AmeriGas on our property. First, let me say that we were told upon purchase of our property that deed

restrictions prohibit above or below ground tanks on any lots. This was one of the appeals to us in purchasing our home in Old Bridge.

Beyond this legal restriction, I am personally concerned about the impact either above, or below, ground tanks will have on the impacted properties. Many of these homes, including ours, have been on their lots for 15 to 20 years. When AmeriGas states that placing tanks on these properties will have no adverse effects, they obviously have not visited to see the established landscaping, including shrubbery and mature trees, on all the properties. Will we be expected to remove our landscaping so they can place tanks in an appropriate location? In many cases, I am sure this will be necessary. As an officer of the Garden Club of Danville and a Board Member of the Garden Club of Kentucky, any such impacts concern me greatly.

AmeriGas also is not taking into account the fact that all of our homes are on septic tanks. Some have elaborate filtration systems. Burying, or placing, tanks on such properties will not be easy and will have serious impacts on the residents of Old Bridge - including reductions in property values. This is not a rural property with multiple outbuildings and structures. This is a golf course, lake front development, which is the primary reason the decision was made to deliver propane gas via pipeline in the first place.

I am asking the commission to take into consideration these impacts as they review the request to abandon service. We bought our house and remained connected to the pipeline service in good faith with Bright's Propane. They, and the pipeline, have served us well. It is obvious that AmeriGas is all about profit. In reviewing their belated

letter to the residents of Old Bridge and the information on your website, it is also obvious to me that they have no respect for their current customers, or the impact their actions will have.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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