

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FILING )  
OF WESTERN LEWIS-RECTORVILLE ) CASE NO. 2015-00059  
WATER AND GAS )

ORDER

On May 12, 1993, in Case No. 1992-00331, the Commission approved rates for gas service for Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District ("Western Lewis") and provided for their further adjustment in accordance with Western Lewis's Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") clause.<sup>1</sup>

On February 23, 2015, Western Lewis filed its proposed Gas Cost Recovery ("GCR") rate to be effective April 1, 2015.

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

1. Western Lewis's notice includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in gas costs.
2. Western Lewis's notice sets out an Expected Gas Cost ("EGC") of \$9.5539 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.7422 per Mcf from its previous EGC of \$8.8117 per Mcf.
3. Western Lewis's notice sets out no Refund Adjustment.

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<sup>1</sup> Case No. 1992-00331, *The Application of Western Lewis-Rectorville for an Adjustment of Rates Pursuant to the Alternative Rate Filing Procedure for Small Utilities* (Ky. PSC May 12, 1993).

4. Western Lewis's notice sets out a current quarter Actual Adjustment ("AA") of (\$.5727) per Mcf. Western Lewis used an incorrect Previous Quarter AA of (\$1.0004) per Mcf instead of the approved (\$1.0005) per Mcf AA. Western Lewis's corrected total AA is (\$1.8077) per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.3888 per Mcf from the previous total AA of (\$1.4189) per Mcf.

5. Western Lewis's notice sets out a current quarter Balance Adjustment ("BA") of \$.0027 per Mcf. Because Western Lewis did not file its GCR application for the quarter beginning October 1, 2014, the Third Previous Quarter AA of (\$.4049) per Mcf, and the Third Previous Quarter BA of \$.0938<sup>2</sup> per Mcf were billed for five quarters instead of four. This led to a \$3,484 under-recovery by Western Lewis. Including this under-recovery in the calculation of the current quarter BA will most efficiently collect the amounts under-recovered by Western Lewis and is not precluded by its tariff. Western Lewis's corrected current quarter BA is \$.0782 per Mcf. Western Lewis also used an incorrect Previous Quarter BA of \$.1104 per Mcf instead of the approved \$.1105 per Mcf BA. Western Lewis's correct total BA is \$.1755 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.0742 per Mcf from the previous total BA of \$.1013 per Mcf.

6. Western Lewis's corrected GCR is \$7.9217 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.4276 per Mcf from the previous rate of \$7.4941 per Mcf.

7. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and should be approved for service rendered by Western Lewis on and after April 1, 2015.

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<sup>2</sup> These factors were originally calculated in Case No. 2013-00326, *Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas* (Ky. PSC Sept. 13, 2013) and were billed from October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates proposed by Western Lewis are denied.
2. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are approved for service rendered on and after April 1, 2015.
3. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Western Lewis 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.

By the Commission

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC  
SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

  
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Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2015-00059 DATED **MAR 19 2015**

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District. 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.

RETAIL RATES:

Customer Charge	\$1.00 per month		
<u>Monthly usage</u>	<u>Base Rate</u>	<u>Gas Cost Recovery Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
First 1,000 cubic feet or less (Minimum Bill)	\$3.9883	\$ 7.9217	\$11.9100
Next 4,000 cubic feet per 1,000 cubic feet	1.4565	7.9217	9.3782
Next 5,000 cubic feet per 1,000 cubic feet	1.3970	7.9217	9.3187
Over 10,000 cubic feet per 1,000 cubic feet	1.2228	7.9217	9.1445

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