COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter or:

ALTERNATIVE RATE ADJUSTMENT) FILING OF B&H GAS COMPANY)

CASE NO. 2016-00257

ORDER

On July 14, 2016, B&H Gas Company ("B&H") tendered for filing an application for approval of a base rate adjustment pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076, the Commission's Alternate Rate Filing ("ARF") procedure for small utilities. The Commission found the application and notice to B&H's customers deficient and issued an Order on August 3, 2016, in which those deficiencies were cited as grounds for not accepting B&H's application for filing. More specifically, the Order stated that the application would not be accepted for filing until B&H had cured the deficiencies in its application.

Nearly ten months have passed since the Order citing B&H's filing deficiencies was issued. Recognizing that this case may have been completed by now had the application contained no deficiencies, the Commission finds that it is not reasonable for the recent lack of activity in this case to dictate how to proceed. Particularly since B&H has filed no documents to cure its filing deficiencies, the Commission finds that for purposes of administrative efficiency it may be in the best interests of B&H, the Commission, and Commission Staff, for this case to be dismissed and removed from the Commission's docket. However, the Commission would prefer not to dismiss this case if B&H is now able to be more engaged and better prepared to actively participate.

Based on the current evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that B&H should file within 60 days of the date of this Order, the information necessary to cure the filing deficiencies cited in our August 3, 2016 Order. If B&H fails to submit a timely response, the Commission finds that this case should be dismissed by further order of the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. B&H shall file within 60 days of the date of this Order the information necessary to cure the filing deficiencies cited in our August 3, 2016 Order.

 If B&H fails to file the information necessary to cure the filing deficiencies within 60 days from the date of this Order the Commission will dismiss this case by Order.

By the Commission



ATTEST:

for

Executive Director

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