

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT)	CASE NO.
FILING OF BURKESVILLE GAS COMPANY, INC.)	2022-00156

ORDER

The Commission, on its own motion, finds that this case is opened for the limited purpose of addressing Burkeville Gas Company, Inc.'s (Burkeville) July 12, 2022 letter regarding a rate. On May 27, 2022, Burkeville filed its Gas Cost Recovery (GCR) rate report for rates with a proposed effective date of June 28, 2022. The Commission issued a final Order on June 21, 2022, approving the proposed GCR rate for service rendered on and after June 28, 2022. The case was then closed and removed from the Commission's docket. On July 12, 2022, Burkeville filed a letter into the case record stating that due to a clerical error the incorrect GCR rate was billed to its customers for service rendered on and after May 28, 2022 (GCR Letter).¹ Included in the GCR Letter was Burkeville's plan to credit its customers for the over collection in its next billing cycle beginning on July 30, 2022.

In Case No. 2022-00058, the Commission approved a GCR rate of \$10.2834 per Mcf for service rendered on and after March 30, 2022.² This GCR rate was to be applied to customers' bills until the new Commission approved GCR rate of \$14.5873 per Mcf

¹ See, Post Case filings (filed July 7, 2022), Letter_to_L._Bridwell_-2201712.pdf.

² Case No. 2022-00058, *Electronic Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Burkeville Gas Company, Inc.* (Ky. PSC Mar. 29, 2022).

became effective for service rendered on and after June 28, 2022.³ Burkesville stated that due to it being the summer months only approximately 23 percent of the customers billed with the incorrect rate had usage for that period.⁴ All other customers had no usage and thus were only charged the minimum bill rate.⁵ Burkesville is planning to use its billing system to determine the amount each customer should have paid at the \$10.2834 per Mcf rate versus what they did pay at the \$14.5873 per Mcf rate and apply that difference as a credit to those customers' bills.⁶ Due to the over-collection only impacting 23 percent of Burkesville's total customer base, Burkesville believes it would be in the best interest for those customers to receive the credit amount related to their own usage rather than spread out those credits in the next GCR rate.⁷

The Commission finds that the plan to credit the over collection of the GCR rate billed for service rendered on and after May 28, 2022, as stated in the GCR Letter shall be approved. Burkesville shall file as supplemental information in its next GCR rate report filing its responses to Commission Staff's Request for Information, attached to the Appendix to this Order. The Commission shall review the supplemental information in Burkesville's next GCR rate report for accuracy and shall make any adjustments necessary to ensure that the credit is returned to the overcharged customers in its entirety.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

³ See final Order (Ky. PSC June 21, 2022).

⁴ GCR Letter.

⁵ GCR Letter.

⁶ GCR Letter.

⁷ GCR Letter.

1. This case is opened for the purpose of addressing Burkesville's letter filed on July 12, 2022.

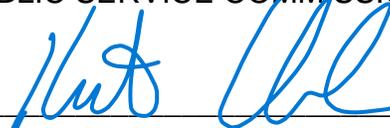
2. Burkesville's plan to credit the over collection of the GCR rate billed for service rendered on and after May 28, 2022, as stated in the GCR Letter is approved.

3. Burkesville shall file as supplemental information in its next GCR rate report filing its responses to Commission Staff's Request for Information attached in the Appendix to this Order.

4. This case is closed and removed from the Commission's docket.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Chairman

Vice Chairman



Commissioner



ATTEST:



Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2022-00156 DATED JUL 25 2022

Burkesville Gas Company, Inc. (Burkesville), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due as supplemental information in its next GCR rate report filing. The Commission directs Burkesville to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085⁸ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Burkesville shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Burkesville obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which

⁸ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

Burkesville fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Burkesville shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, Burkesville shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Provide the bill for a random Burkesville customer for service rendered on and after May 28, 2022. Redact any personal information from the report, such as customer name, customer address, and any additional identifiable information. The report should include the monthly usage, the rates billed, the meter reading dates, and the GCR rate billed.

2. Explain if Burkesville provided a statement on customer bills alerting them to the overcharge that occurred and the subsequent credit they will be receiving.

3. State the total number of customers with usage that were over charged for service rendered on and after May 28, 2022. Of that total, provide the amount that were of the residential rate class, and the non-residential rate class.

4. Provide the total usage for the billing period of service rendered on and after May 28, 2022.

5. State the total amount overcharged by Burkesville for service rendered on and after May 28, 2022. Provide any additional documentation from Burkesville's billing system to support this statement.

6. Provide any additional documentation from Burkesville's billing system that would provide a representation of the total amount credited back to those customers that were overcharged for service rendered on and after May 28, 2022.

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