COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF DELTA)CASE NO.NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC. FOR AN)2024-00346ADJUSTMENT OF GAS RATES)

<u>ORDER</u>

A hearing in the above-styled matter was held on Thursday, April 17, 2025. Prior to the taking of evidence the Commission addressed motions that had been filed into the record. On Monday, April 14, 2025, Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Delta) filed a motion for leave to tender and approval of joint stipulation and recommendation (Motion for Leave) as well as testimony supporting the stipulation. Delta also filed a proof of publication and motion for deviation (Motion for Deviation) from 807 KAR 5:001 Section 9 on April 15, 2025.

From the bench, the Commission found that the Motion for Leave and the stipulation to be moot, as unnecessary given that the materials were admitted to the record and the Commission would issue a final Order regarding the application. Additionally, pursuant to Section 22 of 807 KAR 5:001, the Commission found good cause to grant the deviation from 807 KAR 5:001 Section 9(2). The Commission notes that the failure to publish in two newspapers was not attributable to Delta and finds that Delta

substantially complied with the regulation.¹ Delta's hearing notice was published in the newspaper having the widest circulation in Delta's service territory.²

At the conclusion of the witness testimony, a procedural schedule was established that provided for post-hearing requests for information and briefing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Delta's Motion for Leave is moot.

2. Delta's Motion for Deviation as it related to 807 KAR 5:001 Section 9(2) is granted.

Post-hearing requests for information, if any, shall be filed on or before April
22, 2025.

4. Responses to post-hearing requests for information shall be filed on or before April 29, 2025.

5. All parties, should they choose, shall file a memorandum brief in support of its post-hearing position, on or before May 9, 2025.

6. All parties, should they choose, shall file responsive briefs addressing only issues raised in the initial briefs on or before May 16, 2025.

7. This case shall stand submitted for a decision by the Commission effective 12:01 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time, May 17, 2025.

¹ Delta's Motion for Deviation (filed Apr. 15, 2025) at 2.

² Delta's Motion for Deviation at 2.

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