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# Case Management System - KY Public Service Commission

Regular Cases Before the Commission as of April 26, 2024

**2019-00316** RECEIVED: 09/09/19 FILED: 09/09/19 FINAL: 04/02/20 REOPENED: 03/23/20

SUSPENSION DATE:

CASE NATURE: Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC Alleged Violation of Underground Facility Damage Prevention Act

### **CASE CODE**

**Damage Prevention** 

#### **UTILITIES:**

Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC

### **HEARINGS:**

11/08/19 Formal Hearing 10/31/19 Formal Conference

#### **INDEX OF EVENTS:**

04/02/20

03/03/20

Order Entered: (1) Frontier's petition for rehearing in Cases 2019-00315, 2019-00316, 2019-00323, 2019-00324 is granted. (2) Cases 2019-00315 and 2019-00316 represent only one violation of the Act rather than two violations. Cases 2019-00323 and 2019-00324 likewise represent only one rather than two separate violations of the Act. (3) Case Number 2019-00316 and Case Number 2019-00324 are hereby

dismissed with prejudice and penalty assessments levied against Frontier by the Commission's order of March 3, 2020 are hereby vacated .

(4) The Commission's order dated March 3, 2020 which assessed a civil penalty against Frontier in Case 2019-00315 in the amount of \$3,000 and a civil penalty against Frontier in Case Number 2019-00323 in the amount of \$3,000 is hereby affirmed. (5) The total civil penalty assessment for violations of the Act in the eleven remaining cases is \$31,000. (6) Frontier is hereby assessed a civil penalty of \$31,000 for its eleven violations of KRS 367.4909(6) and (9). (7) Frontier shall pay the sum of \$31,000 within 30 days of the date of this order

by cashier's check or money order payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer and mailed or delivered to the Office of the Kentucky Public Service Commission at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40602. THIS IS A FINAL AND APPEALABLE ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

04/01/20	Commission Staffs Response to Petition
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04/01/20 Joint Stipulation

03/23/20 Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC Petition for Rehearing

Final Order Entered: 1. Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC be and it is hereby assessed a civil penalty of \$37,000 for its thirteen violations of KRS 367.4909(6) and (9). 2. Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC shall pay the sum of \$37,000 within 30 (thirty) days of the date of this order by cashier's check or money order payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer and mailed or delivered to the office of the Kentucky Public Service Commission at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

Order Entered: The above cases are hereby consolidated for the purpose of entering a decision and a final Order on the merits of the cases. A copy of the final Order will be filed in each of the above cases so as to make the records of each complete.

12/26/19	Notice of Filing Hearing Documents
12/09/19	Notice of Filing Post-Hearing Reply Brief
12/03/19	Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC Brief
11/18/19	Notice of Filing Post-Hearing Reply Brief

Order Entered: 1. The Division of Inspections (DOI) of the Kentucky Public Service Commission shall file its post-hearing brief on or before Tuesday, November 19, 2019. 2. Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC (Kentucky Frontier) shall file its post-hearing brief on or before Tuesday, December 3, 2019. 3. DOI shall file a post-hearing reply brief, if any, on or before Monday, December 9, 2019.

11/08/19 Joint Stipulation

11/06/19 Order Entered: That, sua sponte, the above-numbered cases are consolidated for hearing purposes.

11/04/19 Notice of Filing Formal Conference Documents

10/31/19 Notice of Filing Locate Ticket

10/31/19 Notice of Filing Gas Excavation Damage Report

10/31/19 Notice of Filing List of Common Issues, Hearing Exhibits and Witnesses

10/28/19

1. A formal conference on the record shall be held on Thursday, October 31, 2019, at 1 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, at the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky. 2. Counsel

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shall be prepared to discuss all common issues of fact or law that might make consolidation of some or all of the cases advantageous and in the interest of administrative economy. 3. Counsel for both Frontier and the Division of Inspections should also be prepared to address and advise the Commission of all evidentiary and legal issues expected to be asserted at the November 8, 2019 hearing and to provide a list of all exhibits and witnesses who are expected to testify. Notice of Filing

10/03/19

Kentucky Frontier Gas, LLC Response to Commission Order

09/17/19 09/09/19

Order Entered: 1. Kentucky Frontier shall submit to the Commission a written response to the allegations contained in the Staff Incident Report within 20 days of the date of this Order. 2. Kentucky Frontier shall appear on November 8, 2019, at 9 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky for the purpose of presenting evidence concerning the alleged violation of the Underground Facility Damage Prevention Act, and showing cause why it should not be subject to the penalties prescribed in KRS 367.4917(1) and (4) for this alleged violation.3. A person shall not file a paper or appear at a hearing on behalf of, or otherwise represent, a partnership, corporation, or business entity (including a limited liability company) or other person unless the person is an attorney licensed to practice law in Kentucky. 4. The November 8, 2019 hearing shall be recorded by video only. 5. The Staff Incident Report in the Appendix to this Order is made a part of the record in this case. 6. This Order shall be served via certified mail, return receipt accepted, to CT Corporation System, 306 West Main Street, Suite 512, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Total Number of Cases: 1