## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

THE REQUEST OF B&H GAS COMPANY )
FOR APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY )
PURCHASES OF NATURAL GAS FROM ) CASE NO. 8981
KENTUCKY WEST VIRGINIA GAS )
COMPANY )

## ORDER

On March 22, 1985, the Commission issued its Order in this case directing B&H Gas Company ("B&H") to file a plan to refund overcollections to its customers. The overcollections resulted from B&H's surcharge of 58 cents per Mcf during 1984.

On April 17, 1985, B&H requested permission to retain the \$1,760 in overcollections to offset its December 1984 gas purchase cost from Kentucky-West Virginia Gas Company ("Ky-West"). B&H stated that its customers were not charged for gas purchased from Ky-West in December 1984. An Order issued February 28, 1985, in Case No. 8735-B allowed B&H to recover the cost of its Ky-West purchases effective January 23, 1985. B&H did not make a timely application for an earlier approval.

On July 11, 1985, the Commission issued an Order in this case directing B&H to comply with the provisions of the Commission's March 22, 1985, Order. In a letter filed on August 20, 1985, B&H requested an extension on the July 11, 1985, Order and a conference on the refund and the proposed purchased gas cost offset.

After reviewing the record in this case and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

- 1. This case should be reopened to investigate B&H's current financial situation and to allow B&H to present evidence not previously considered regarding the surcharge and the proposed purchased gas cost offset.
- 2. B&H should be granted an extension of time until a final decision is reached in this case to comply with the March 22, 1985, Order.
- 3. To facilitate the investigation, B&H should file the information requested in Appendix A with the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE URDERED that:

- 1. B&H shall be and hereby is granted an extension of time until a final decision is reached in this case to comply with the March 22, 1985, Order.
- 2. This case shall be and hereby is reopened to investigate B&H's current financial situation and to allow B&H to present evidence not previously considered regarding the surcharge and the proposed purchased gas cost offset.
- 3. B&H shall file an original and eight copies of the information requested in Appendix A with the Commission, with a copy to all parties of record, by November 13, 1985. If neither the requested information nor a motion for an extension of time is filed by the stated date, the case may be dismissed.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 25th day of October, 1985.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Secretary