COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

RANSOM HUNT, JIMMY BURCHETT, ALBERT RATLIFF, DALLAS BRANHAM, LESTER HUNT, MAXINE CRIDER, RALPH CLARK, JR., GARDIS JERVIS, AND, EVAN H. ROSE

COMPLAINANTS

VS.

CASE NO. 94-217

EQUITABLE RESOURCES, INC., D/B/A EQUITABLE GAS COMPANY

DEFENDANT

ORPER

On May 25, 1994, the above-listed persons filed a complaint alleging that they are gas customers of Equitable Resources, Inc. d/b/a Equitable Gas Company ("Equitable") who were notified that their services would be discontinued and gas wells shut in as of May 31, 1994.

The Commission, having examined the complaint filed in this matter finds that it does not establish a prima facio case by failing to state a claim upon which relief may be granted. Equitable provides services to its customers pursuant to KRS 278.485 and in accordance with its tariff provisions filed with this Commission. Pursuant to its tariff and KRS 278.485(6), Equitable may abandon service to any customer because of lack of gas from its supplier.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the complainants shall have 20 days from the date of this Order to amend their complaint. If the complaint is not amended within such time, the complaint shall be dismissed without further order of the Commission.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 16th day of June, 1994.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ATTEST:

Executive Director