

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF)
NON-RECURRING CHARGES BY) CASE NO. 96-550
PUBLIC GAS COMPANY)

O R D E R

On November 13, 1996, Public Gas Company ("Public") submitted for approval certain revisions to its tariff. Public requested authority to increase existing and implement new non-recurring charges. The specific charges involved are: turn-on charge; special meter reading charge; late payment penalty; and meter test charge. Public included with its filing a description of the services and cost justification for each charge, as well as a copy of its published public notice.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that the non-recurring charges proposed by Public are supported by adequate cost justification and should be approved. Public should, however, amend the text of the explanation of its Meter Test Charge to state that the customer will be required to pay the vendor for the meter test if the meter is not more than two percent fast.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

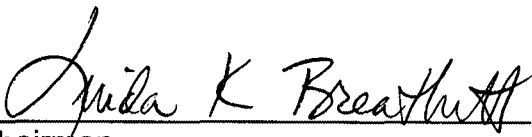
1. The non-recurring charges proposed by Public are approved on and after the date of this Order.

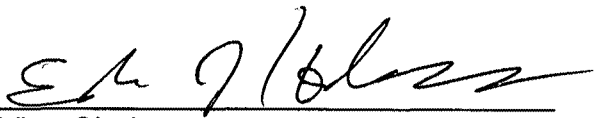
2. The explanation of the Meter Test Charge on 2nd Revised Sheet No. 2 of its tariff should be amended as set out above.

3. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Public shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the charges authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 9th day of January, 1997

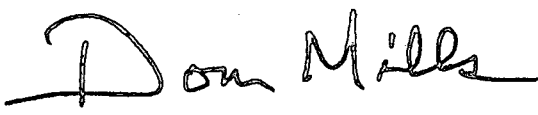
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