

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE PETITION OF SIGMA GAS)	
CORPORATION FOR AN ADJUSTMENT)	CASE NO. 98-244
OF RATES)	

O R D E R

On May 21, 1999, the Commission issued an Order denying Sigma Gas Corporation's (Sigma) request to defer refunds of unauthorized late payment charges collected for a period of five years. Sigma was ordered to begin refunding the unauthorized charges in the amount of \$21,698, and was allowed to make the refunds over a 21-month period beginning in the month of May 1999. In its May 21, 1999 Order, the Commission also indicated that it would reconsider the issue of the time period in which the payment of refunds should be made upon the review and issuance of the final Order in Case No. 99-074.¹

The Commission entered its Order approving financing in the amount of \$1,258,419 on October 1, 1999 in Case No. 99-074. The proceeds of the approved financing are designated for payments of outstanding obligations that currently exceed the amount of financing authorized. The approval of financing does not alter the ability of Sigma to immediately refund the over-collection.

¹ Case No. 99-074, The Application of Sigma Gas Corporation for Approval of Financing, Final Order dated September 27, 1999.

The Commission finds that the time period provision in which the refunds are to be made, contained in the May 21, 1999 Order in Case No. 98-244, is appropriate and reaffirms its decision in that Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The Commission's decision in the May 21, 1999 Order in Case No. 98-244 is reaffirmed.
2. Sigma shall comply with all aspects of the May 21, 1999 Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 22nd day of October, 1999.

By the Commission

Chairman B. J. Helton took no part in the review and consideration of this application.

ATTEST:

Executive Director