

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF WESTERN)	
KENTUCKY GAS COMPANY)	CASE NO. 99-070
FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF RATES)	

O R D E R

On March 1, 1999, Western Kentucky Gas Company (Western) filed a notice of intent to file a rate case, together with a request to use an abbreviated form of published notice of its proposed rates, which the Commission will treat as a motion. Western filed a draft notice with the Commission for its review on April 14, 1999.

The Commission, having considered the motion and draft notice and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that Western has not shown good cause to use its proposed abbreviated form of notice.

Commission regulation 807 KAR 5:001, Section 10(3)(a)(b) and (c) requires the notice to disclose: 1) the amount of rate change requested in both dollars and percentage for each customer class; 2) the present and proposed rates for each customer class; and 3) the effect upon the average bill for each customer class. While the abbreviated form of notice proposed by Western sets forth certain required information, it places the burden on the customers to request a schedule of the proposed rate changes in order to make an informed decision on whether to intervene or object. In addition, Western has made no showing that it is unable to include the

above-cited information in the notice; nor has it shown that including such information would be unduly burdensome or result in excessive costs.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Western's motion to use an abbreviated form of notice is denied.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 5th day of May, 1999.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director