

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE NOTICE OF GAS COST RECOVERY)
FILING OF SIGMA GAS CORPORATION) CASE NO. 98-244-J

O R D E R

On October 27, 1998, in Case No. 98-244, the Commission approved certain rates for Sigma Gas Corporation ("Sigma") and provided by tariff for their further adjustment on a quarterly basis in accordance with Sigma's approved gas cost adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On March 5, 2001, Sigma filed its GCA to be effective April 1, 2001 through June 31, 2001.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. In its notice of March 5, 2001, Sigma proposed revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected wholesale increase in gas costs. Sigma's proposed expected gas cost ("EGC") is \$4.9536 per Mcf, 24.63 cents per Mcf more than the prior EGC of \$4.7073.
2. Sigma's notice set out no current refund adjustment.
3. Sigma's notice set out a current quarter actual adjustment ("AA") of (26.65) cents per Mcf to return over-recovered gas cost from October, November and December 2000. The total AA of (41.99) cent per Mcf is composed of the current AA

and previous quarter AAs, and represents a decrease of 41.09 cents per Mcf from the prior total AA.

4. Sigma's notice proposed a current quarter balance adjustment ("BA") of (.1) cent per Mcf to reconcile a remaining under-recovery. The total BA of 1 cent per Mcf represents a decrease of .4 cent per Mcf from the prior total BA.

5. Sigma's gas cost recovery rate is \$4.5437 per Mcf, 16.86 cents per Mcf less than the previously authorized rate of \$4.7123 per Mcf.

6. Sigma's adjustment in rates contained in the Appendix to this Order is fair, just, and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be approved effective with bills rendered on and after April 1, 2001.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

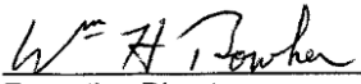
1. The rates in the Appendix, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are fair, just, and reasonable, and are authorized to be effective with bills rendered on and after April 1, 2001.

2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Sigma shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates approved herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 28th day of March, 2001.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Deputy 
Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 98-244-J DATED MARCH 28, 2001

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Sigma Gas Corporation. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

	<u>Base Rate</u>	<u>Gas Cost Recovery</u>	<u>Total</u>
First Mcf (Minimum Bill)	\$6.25	\$4.5437	\$10.7937
All Over 1st Mcf	\$4.5522	\$4.5437	\$ 9.0959