COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF GAS COST ADJUSTMENT)	
FILING OF WESTERN LEWIS-)	CASE NO. 2002-00122
RECTORVILLE WATER AND GAS DISTRICT)	

ORDER

On May 12, 1993, in Case No. 92-331, the Commission approved rates for Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District (Western Lewis) and provided for their further adjustment in accordance with Western Lewiss gas cost adjustment (GCA) clause.

On April 8, 2002, Western Lewis filed its proposed GCA to be effective May 1, 2002. Western Lewis did not request a waiver of the 30-day notice period. However, as this filing results in a rate decrease, the 30-day and 20-day notice requirements set out in KRS 278.180(1) are not applicable. KRS 278.180(2) allows a rate decrease to be implemented within a lesser period of time.

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

- 1. Western Lewis's notice includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected decrease in wholesale gas costs. Western Lewis's proposed expected gas cost (EGC) is \$4.9415 per Mcf, which is \$1.2280 per Mcf less than the prior EGC of \$6.1695.
 - 2. Western Lewis s notice sets out no refund adjustment.

3. Western Lewis's notice sets out no current actual adjustment (AA).

Western Lewis s notice sets out a total AA of (\$1.5021) per Mcf, which represents no

change from the previous total AA.

4. Western Lewis's notice sets out no current quarter balance adjustment

(BA). Western Lewiss notice sets out a total BA of 18.74 cents per Mcf, which

represents no change from the previous total BA.

5. These combined adjustments produce a gas cost recovery rate (GCR) of

\$3.6268 per Mcf, which is \$1.2280 per Mcf less than the previous rate of \$4.8548.

6. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, in

the public interest, and should be approved for bills rendered by Western Lewis on and

after May 1, 2002.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are approved for bills rendered on

and after May 1, 2002.

2. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Western Lewis shall file with this

Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 24th day of April, 2002.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2002-00122 DATED April 24, 2002

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

RETAIL RATES:

Customer Charge \$1.00 per month

Monthly usage

	Base Rate	Gas Cost Recovery <u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
First 1,000 cubic feet or less (Minimum Bill)	\$3.9883	\$3.6268	\$7.6151
Next 4,000 cubic feet per 1,000 cubic feet	1.4565	3.6268	5.0833
Next 5,000 cubic feet per 1,000 cubic feet	1.3970	3.6268	5.0238
Over 10,000 cubic feet per	1.2228	3.6268	4.8496