

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE NOTICE OF GAS COST RECOVERY) CASE NO. 2003-00096
FILING OF SIGMA GAS CORPORATION)

O R D E R

On October 27, 1998, in Case No. 1998-00244, the Commission approved rates for Sigma Gas Corporation (Sigma) and provided for their further adjustment on a quarterly basis in accordance with Sigma s gas cost adjustment (GCA) clause.

On March 5, 2003, Sigma filed its proposed GCA to be effective April 1, 2003. Sigma requests a waiver of the 30-day notice period in order to implement rates in a timely manner. As KRS 278.180(1) permits the Commission to shorten the required notice period for good cause, the Commission finds the request should be granted.

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

1. Sigma s notice includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in wholesale gas costs.
2. Sigma s Expected Gas Cost (EGC) is \$10.2481 per Mcf, \$3.2391 per Mcf more than the prior EGC of \$7.0090.
3. Sigma's notice sets out no current refund adjustment.
4. Sigma's notice sets out a current quarter actual adjustment (AA) of (33.02) cents per Mcf. Sigma s notice includes a total AA of (78.53) cents per Mcf, which is a decrease of 1.11 cents per Mcf from the previous total AA.

5. Sigma's notice sets out a current quarter balance adjustment (BA) of (.3) cent per Mcf. The total BA of (7.5) cents per Mcf represents a decrease of .39 cents per Mcf from the previous total BA.

6. Sigma's gas cost recovery rate is \$9.3878 per Mcf, which is \$3.2241 more than the previous rate of \$6.1637 per Mcf.

7. 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 Sigma on and after April 1, 2003.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates in the Appendix, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are approved for bills rendered on and after April 1, 2003.

2. Within 20 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 21st day of March, 2003.

By the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2003-00096 DATED March 21, 2003

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	\$9.3878	\$15.6378
All Over 1st Mcf	\$4.5522	\$9.3878	\$13.9400