

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF WESTERN LEWIS-)
RECTORVILLE WATER AND GAS DISTRICT) CASE NO. 2003-00293
TO INCREASE CERTAIN NON-RECURRING)
CHARGES)

O R D E R

On August 1, 2003, Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District (Western Lewis) applied for authority to revise certain non-recurring charges in both its water and gas utilities. Western Lewis was notified on August 7, 2003 that the filing was deficient. On August 15, 2003, Western Lewis filed information that cured the deficiencies and the application was considered filed as of that date.

In addition to the revised non-recurring charges, Western Lewis seeks to change its late payment policy and add a bulk water charge for the water division. The bulk water charge of \$5.50 per 1,000 gallons is not considered a non-recurring charge as defined in 807 KAR 5:006, Section 8, and therefore cannot be approved in this case.

Western Lewis requests that the date on which the late payment penalty of 10 percent is assessed be changed from the 25th of the month to the 15th of the month. This change will make the date that the late payment penalty is assessed the same for both the water and gas divisions.

Western Lewis has provided adequate evidence of the individual expenses incurred to provide the services associated with the proposed charges.

The Commission, having reviewed the record and being sufficiently advised, finds that:

1. The proposed non-recurring charges are equal to the expenses incurred to provide the associated services.

2. The bulk water charge of \$5.50 per 1,000 gallons is not considered a non-recurring charge as defined in 807 KAR 5:006, Section 8, and should be denied.

3. The non-recurring charges and policies set forth in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable and should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The non-recurring charges and policies in the Appendix are approved for services rendered on and after the date of this Order.

2. The bulk water charge of \$5.50 per 1,000 gallons is denied.

3. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Western Lewis shall file with the Commission revised tariff sheets showing the charges and policies approved herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 8th day of October, 2003.

By the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2003-00293 DATED October 8, 2003

The following rates, charges, and policies are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District. All other rates, charges, and policies 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.

Non-Recurring Charges for Water and Gas

Connection/Turn-on Charge	\$20.00
Field Collection Charge	15.00
Late Payment Penalty	10%
Meter Relocation Charge	Actual Cost
Meter Test Charge	35.00
Re-connection Charge	25.00
Returned Check Charge	20.00

Non-Recurring Charges for Water Only

Meter Connection/Tap-on Charge	
5/8 X 3/4 Inch Meter	550.00
All Larger Meters	Actual Cost

Non-Recurring Charges for Gas Only

Meter Connection/Tap-on Charge	
Standard Size Meter	450.00
All Larger Meters	Actual Cost

Late Payment Policy for the Water Division

Bills shall be paid in full by the 15th day of the month for the net amount shown on the bill. After the 15th day of the month, there shall be added a 10 percent late payment fee, which will be shown on the bill.