COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FILING OF JOHNSON COUNTY GAS COMPANY, INC.

CASE NO. 2004-00500

ORDER

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On September 1, 1999, in Case No. 1999-00155, the Commission approved rates for Johnson County Gas Company, Inc. ("Johnson County") and provided for their further adjustment in accordance with Johnson County's gas cost adjustment ("GCA") clause.¹

On December 13, 2004, Johnson County filed its proposed GCA to be effective January 1, 2005. Johnson County requests a waiver of the 30-day notice period because it was not able to file the application earlier. As KRS 278.180 permits the Commission to shorten the required notice period for good cause to 20 days, the Commission finds the request should be granted and Johnson County's required notice be reduced to 20 days.

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

1. Johnson County's notice includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in wholesale gas costs.

2. Johnson County proposes an expected gas cost ("EGC") of \$10.5018, which is \$2.2281 per Mcf more than the previously approved EGC of \$8.2737.

¹ Case No. 1999-00155, Application of Johnson County Gas Company, Inc. for a Rate Adjustment Pursuant to the Alternative Rate Filing Procedure for Small Utilities, Order dated September 1, 1999.

3. Johnson County's notice sets out no refund adjustment.

4. Johnson County's notice sets out a current quarter actual adjustment ("AA") of (2.89) cents per Mcf. Johnson County's notice sets out a total AA of (5.71) cents per Mcf, which is 3.35 cents per Mcf more than the previous total AA.

5. Johnson County's notice sets a current quarter balancing adjustment ("BA") of (1.01) cent per Mcf. Johnson County's notice sets a total BA of 16.36 cents per Mcf, which is .33 cent per Mcf less than the previous total BA.

6. Johnson County's gas cost recovery rate is \$10.6083 per Mcf, which is \$2.2583 per Mcf more than the previous rate of \$8.35.

7. Johnson County's adjustment in rates is fair, just, and reasonable, and should be approved for billing for service rendered by Johnson County on and after January 2, 2005. Johnson County did not provide sufficient notice as KRS 278.180(1) requires for the proposed rates to be effective January 1, 2005.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates in the Appendix, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are approved for billing for service rendered on and after January 2, 2005.

2. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Johnson County shall file with the Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates approved herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 21st day of December, 2004.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2004-00500 DATED December 21, 2004

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Johnson County Gas Company, Inc. 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.

RATES:

Residential

10010	Monthly	Base Rate	Gas Cost Recovery <u>Rate</u>	Total <u>Rate</u>
	Minimum Bill 0-1 Mcf All additional Mcf	\$6.9542 \$5.9542	\$10.6083 \$10.6083	\$17.5625 \$16.5625
Commercial				
	<u>Monthly</u> All Mcf	\$6.3042	\$10.6083	\$16.9125