

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

JOINT APPLICATION OF ORBIT GAS)	
COMPANY AND ORBIT GAS TRANSMISSION,)	
INC. FOR AUTHORITY AND PERMISSION TO)	CASE NO. 2005-00427
SELL AND PURCHASE THE ORBIT GAS)	
COMPANY NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION)	
SYSTEM AND ALL RELATED ASSETS)	

FIRST DATA REQUEST OF COMMISSION STAFF
TO ORBIT GAS COMPANY AND ORBIT GAS TRANSMISSION, INC.

Orbit Gas Company ("Orbit Gas") and Orbit Gas Transmission, Inc. ("Orbit Transmission"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, are requested to file with the Commission the original and six copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due on or before November 10, 2005. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the person who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. Where information herein has been previously provided, in the format requested herein, reference may be made to the specific location of said information in responding to this information request. When applicable, the information requested herein should be provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations, separately.

In this data request, reference to the “Application” shall mean the Application filed by the Joint Applicants on October 13, 2005.

1. Refer to the Application, Appendix C, “Asset Purchase and Sale Agreement.”

a. Refer to Section 1.1.3. Provide the working gas volume in the underground gas fields that are included in the transaction.

b. State whether gas storage fields are included in the sale of assets. Explain.

c. Refer to Section 1.1.10.2. State the number of gas wells that are included in the transaction and state the current total production of these wells.

2. Refer to the Application, Exhibit C, at 29. A list of exhibits is shown on this page. The exhibits were not available when the Application was filed. Provide a copy of the exhibits that are now available.

3. Refer to the Application, Exhibit C, at 30. This page pertains to equipment, machinery, tools and inventories and refers to an attachment. No attachment was included. Provide the attachment.

4. Refer to the Application, Exhibit C, at 37. This page pertains to wells and refers to an attachment. No attachment was included. Provide the attachment.

5. State whether Orbit Gas is transferring assets to Orbit Transmission that are not recorded on Orbit Gas’s annual report filed with the Commission. If yes, list each asset and state its original cost and accumulated depreciation to date.

6. State whether Orbit Gas is retaining any of the assets recorded on its annual report. If yes, provide a list of each asset and state its original cost and accumulated depreciation to date.

7. State whether the White Plains Storage Field is recorded on Orbit Gas's annual report. If yes, provide the account number in which it is recorded. If no, provide the original cost and accumulated depreciation to date.

8. Provide a detailed plant schedule for all assets transferring which shows original cost and accumulated depreciation to date.

9. Provide the journal entries that Orbit Transmission proposes to make to record the transfer.

10. Describe the corporate operating relationship, if any, between Continental Resources of Illinois, Trey Exploration, Inc., and Orbit Transmission subsequent to the sale of Orbit Gas to Orbit Transmission. Provide an organizational chart showing any affiliate relationships between the companies, if applicable.

11. At paragraph 8(e) of the Application, the Applicants state that all present operating staff and personnel of the seller will be retained by Orbit Transmission. Provide the name and job title of each of the operating staff and personnel referenced in the response.



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DATED: 11/01/2005

cc: Parties of Record