

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

MOTION TO ADJUST RATES IN	)	
ACCORDANCE WITH PURCHASED	)	CASE NO. 7156-X
GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF	)	CASE NO. 7156-W
MARTIN GAS COMPANY, INC.,	)	

O R D E R

On December 20, 1978, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. 7156, approving certain adjustments in rates and providing under certain conditions for the further adjustment of such rates when the wholesale cost of gas is increased or decreased.

On October 13, 1982, Martin Gas Company, Inc., ("Martin") filed Case No. 7156-W, notifying the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be increased by its supplier, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., ("Columbia"), effective October 1, 1982. Because Martin failed to provide the 20-day notice as required by statute the increased rates could not become effective until on and after November 2, 1982.

On November 11, 1982, Martin filed Case No. 7156-X, notifying the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be decreased by Columbia. The decreased rates will become effective on and after November 2, 1982, the date the proposed increase in Case No. 7156-W would become effective. Accordingly, the Commission will

consider Case No. 7156-W together with Case No. 7156-X and reduce the requested increase in 7156-W by the amount of the reduction in 7156-X.

After reviewing the notice filed in this case and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

(1) Martin's notice of November 11, 1982, set out certain revisions in rates which Martin proposed to place into effect, said rates being designed to pass on the wholesale increase in cost of its supplier in amount of \$2,380 or 2.87 cents per Mcf.

(2) Martin's adjustment in rates under the purchased gas adjustment clause approved by the Commission in its Order in Case No. 7156, dated December 20, 1978, is fair, just and reasonable and in the public interest and should be allowed to be effective with gas supplied on and after November 2, 1982.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the rates in Appendix A be and they hereby are approved, effective for gas supplied on and after November 2, 1982.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that for the purpose of the future application of the purchased gas adjustment clause of Martin the base rate for purchased gas shall be:

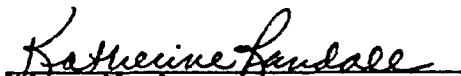
	<u>Commodity</u>
Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.	\$ 5.553 per Mcf
Southeastern Gas Company	0.140 per Mcf

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days after the date of this Order, Martin shall file with this Commission its revised tariff sheets setting out the rates approved herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 2nd day of December, 1982.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 7156-W AND 7156-X
DATED December 2, 1982.

The following rates are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Martin Gas Company, Inc. 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 date of this Order.

RATES: Monthly

First 2 Mcf	\$ 5.6987 per Mcf
Over 2 Mcf	6.4987 per Mcf

Minimum Bill

The minimum bill shall be \$5.50 which entitles the user to less than 2 Mcf per month.