COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS

ADJUSTMENT FILING OF MARTIN

CASE NO. 8730-C

GAS, INC.

ORDER

On May 9, 1983, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. 8730 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 or a refund is received.

On October 12, 1983, Martin Gas, Inc., ("Martin") notified the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be decreased by its supplier, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., ("Columbia") and submitted with its notice certain information in compliance with its purchased gas adjustment clause on file with this Commission.

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

(1) On August 10, 1983, Columbia filed an application with the Commission for decreased rates to become effective September 1, 1983. On September 1, 1983, in Case No. 8730-B, Martin requested permission to track Columbia's decrease. By Order issued September 12, 1983, the Commission approved Martin's filing effective September 1, 1983. Subsequent to Martin placing

these rates into effect, Columbia filed on October 6, 1983, revised tariffs to be effective September 1, 1983.

- (2) Martin's notice of October 12, 1983, set out certain revisions in rates which Martin proposed to place into effect, said rates being designed to pass on the wholesale decrease in price from its supplier in the amount of \$3,097 or 5.4 cents per Mcf.
- (3) Due to the retroactive nature of Columbia's decrease, Martin should report to the Commission any excess revenues collected during the period from September 1, 1983, to the date the proposed rates are implemented, along with a plan to refund any excess collections to its customers.
- (4) Martin's adjustment in rates under the purchased gas adjustment provisions approved by the Commission in its Order in Case No. 8730 dated May 9, 1983, is fair, just and reasonable and in the public interest and should be effective with gas supplied on and after September 1, 1983.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the rates in the Appendix to this Order be and they hereby are authorized effective with gas supplied on and after September 1, 1983.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days of the date of this Order Columbia shall report to the Commission any excess revenues collected during the period from September 1, 1983, to the date the proposed rates are implemented, along with a plan to refund any excess collections.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days of the date of this Order Martin shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 24th day of October, 1983.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman)

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 8730-C DATED OCTOBER 24, 1983.

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Martin Gas, 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: Monthly

First 1 Mcf Over 1 Mcf \$6.9686 Per Mcf 6.8686 Per Mcf

Minimum Bill

The minimum bill shall be \$7.00

The base rate for the future application of the purchased gas adjustment clause of Martin Gas Inc., shall be:

Commodity

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. Southeastern Gas Company \$5.725 per Mcf 0.140 per Mcf