

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

REQUEST OF RICHARDSVILLE GAS)	CASE NO.
COMPANY, INC. TO ABANDON FACILITY)	2013-00234
PURSUANT TO KRS 278.021 SECTION 2(B))	

COMMISSION STAFF'S INITIAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO RICHARDSVILLE GAS COMPANY, INC.

Richardsville Gas Company, Inc. ("Richardsville Gas"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission the original and eight copies of the following information with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due within 14 days of the date of this Order. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Richardsville Gas shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which Richardsville Gas fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information Richardsville Gas shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to

completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations.

1. Identify all individuals and/or entities that have been or will be contacted regarding the potential sale or transfer of Richardsville Gas.
2. State the result of all inquiries with other individuals and entities regarding the sale or transfer of Richardsville Gas.
3. State the current number of residential and commercial customers served by Richardsville Gas.
4. State the number of customers that have been served cut-off notices from January 1, 2013 to present.
5. State the number of customers whose service has been terminated for lack of payment from January 1, 2013 to present.
6. If known, state the number of delinquent customer bills from January 1, 2013 to present.
7. State whether current operating expenses could be met if all customers paid their monthly bills in full.
8. Explain why Richardsville Gas has not sought a rate increase in lieu of abandonment.

9. Identify and describe the additional costs related to state and federal regulations as cited in Richardsville Gas's June 14, 2013 letter to the Commission.

10. a. State when the natural gas well owned and operated by Richardsville Gas ceased being an active producing well.

b. State the most recent average cost of gas produced from Richardsville Gas's now exhausted natural gas well, as compared to gas purchased from other natural gas wells or suppliers.

11. State and provide supporting documentation for the year-to-date net operating gain or loss.

12. State whether any improvements to the system are presently required and the approximate cost of such improvements.

13. If available, provide a map of the system.

14. a. Identify the individuals who will physically control and perform the shutdown procedures.

b. State their current employer, job title, relevant experience and qualifications related to the operation and/or shutdown of a gas utility system.

15. State whether all customers have been notified that Richardsville Gas has sought approval for and is in the process of abandoning its system. If so, provide a copy of the notice.

16. State whether any customers have contacted Richardsville Gas opposing the abandonment.

17. Provide a copy of all documentation, meeting minutes, publications, customer comments and/or correspondence regarding the proposed abandonment.

18. Provide a copy of Richardsville Gas's annual report for the calendar year ended December 31, 2012.



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