

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT)
FILING OF EQUITABLE GAS COMPANY) CASE NO. 2009-00389

O R D E R

On April 29, 2004, in Case No. 2003-00411,¹ the Commission approved rates for Equitable Gas Company, a division of Equitable Resources, Inc. ("Equitable"), and provided for their further adjustment on a quarterly basis in accordance with Equitable's Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On September 23, 2009, Equitable filed its proposed GCA to be effective November 1, 2009.

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

1. Equitable's notice includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in wholesale gas costs.
2. Equitable's Expected Gas Cost ("EGC") is \$7.8839 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.0045 per Mcf from its previous EGC of \$7.8794 per Mcf.
3. Equitable's notice sets out a current quarter Actual Adjustment ("AA") of (\$.5160) per Mcf. Equitable's total AA is (\$2.2663) per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$1.5576 per Mcf from the previous total AA of (\$.7087) per Mcf.

¹ Case No. 2003-00411, Application of Equitable Gas Company to Increase Rates Pursuant to KRS 278.485 (Ky. PSC Apr. 29, 2004).

4. Equitable's notice sets out a current quarter Balancing Adjustment ("BA") of (\$.0309) per Mcf. Equitable's total BA is (\$.0237) per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.0131 per Mcf from the previous total BA of (\$.0106) per Mcf.

5. Equitable's Gas Cost Recovery Rate is \$5.5939 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$1.5662 per Mcf from its previous rate of \$7.1601 per Mcf.

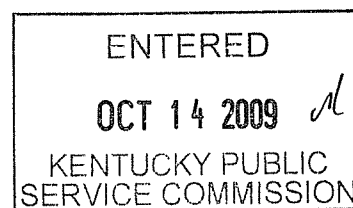
6. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and should be approved for final meter readings by Equitable on and after November 1, 2009.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

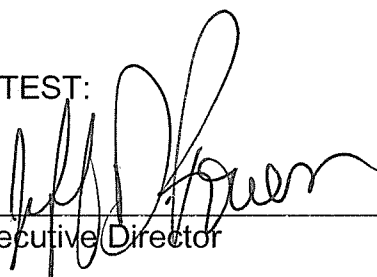
1. The rates in the Appendix to this Order, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are approved for final meter readings on and after November 1, 2009.

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

By the Commission



ATTEST:



Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2009-00389 DATED **OCT 14 2009**

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Equitable Gas Company. 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 effective date of this Order.

RATES: Monthly

Customer Charge		\$7.50	
	<u>Base Rate</u>	<u>Gas Cost Recovery Rate</u>	<u>Total Rate</u>
All Mcf	\$2.1322	\$5.5939	\$ 7.7261

The minimum bill shall be \$7.50

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