COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:		7	
ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF)		
COMMERCIAL PROPANE SERVICE, LLC)	CASE NO.	
D/B/A BRIGHT'S PROPANE SERVICE, INC.)	2017-00343	

FOR AN ALTERNATIVE RATE ADJUSTMENT

ORDER

On December 6, 2017, Commercial Propane Service, LLC d/b/a Bright's Propane Service, Inc. ("Bright's Propane") filed an application for an adjustment of its rates for gas service pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076, the regulation governing the Alternative Rate Filing for small utilities.

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076 Section 11, the Commission hereby states that a staff report will not be issued in this proceeding. The procedural information needed in this case will be obtained through the application and Commission Staff's Requests for Information. Bright's Propane or any party to this proceeding may request a formal hearing pursuant to the procedural schedule appended hereto.¹

All requests for intervention should be filed by January 5, 2018. Any motion to intervene filed after January 5, 2018, should show a basis for intervention and good cause for being untimely. As set forth in 807 KAR 65:001, Section 4(11)(a), a person

¹ No action is necessary to suspend the effective date of Bright's Propane's proposed rates for gas service. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076, Section 7(1), an applicant who applies for a rate adjustment pursuant to the procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:076 may not place its proposed rates into effect until the Commission approves those rates or six months from the date the application is accepted for filing.

requesting permissive intervention in a Commission proceeding is required to demonstrate either (1) a special interest in the proceeding which is not adequately represented in the case, or (2) that the person requesting permissive intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. Further, KRS 278.040(2) requires that a person seeking intervention have an interest in the rates or service or a utility, as those are the only matters that are subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Based on the foregoing, the Commission finds that any party requesting to intervene in a commission proceeding must state with specificity the party's special interest that is not otherwise adequately represented, or the issues and facts the party will present that will assist the Commission in fully considering this matter. A mere recitation of the quantity of gas consumed by the movant or a general statement regarding a potential impact of possible modification of rates will not be deemed sufficient to establish special interest.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed in this proceeding.
- 2. a. Responses to requests for information in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed and shall include the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to questions related to the information provided, with the original and six copies in paper medium and an electronic version to the Commission.
- b. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or an 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.

- c. A party 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.
- d. For any request to which a party fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.
- e. 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.
- f. Any party filing a paper containing personal information shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that the personal information cannot be read.
- 3. Any party filing a paper with the Commission shall file an electronic copy in accordance with the electronic filing procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, and shall also file the original and six copies in paper medium. The original and six copies in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed.

- 4. Any motion to intervene filed after January 5, 2018, shall show good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.
- 6. Bright's Propane shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2). In addition, the notice of hearing shall include the following statement: "This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov." At the time publication is requested, Bright's Propane shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.
- 7. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.
- 8. Pursuant to KRS 278.360 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(9), a digital video recording shall be made of the hearing.
- 9. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance.

 Accordingly, motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.
- Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

By the Commission

ENTERED

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2017-00343 DATED DEC 1 8 2017

Last day for intervention requests to be accepted01/05/18
All initial requests for information to Bright's Propane shall be filed no later than
Bright's Propane shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than
All supplemental requests for information to Bright's Propane shall be filed no later than
Bright's Propane shall file responses to supplemental requests for information no later than
A request for a formal hearing or statement that this case may be submitted based on the existing record shall be filed no later than

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