## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC PURCHASED GAS	)	CASE NO.
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF JOHNSON	)	2020-00341
COUNTY GAS COMPANY, INC.	)	

## COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO JOHNSON COUNTY GAS COMPANY, INC.

On October 21, 2020, Johnson County Gas Company, Inc. (Johnson County) filed its proposed Gas Cost Recovery (GCR) rate report to be effective December 1, 2020. Johnson County's previous rate was approved in Case No. 2019-00312<sup>1</sup> for service rendered on and after July 1, 2020. Pursuant to Johnson County's Gas Cost Adjustment Clause Tariff, its GCR rate report is to be filed at least 30 days prior to the first day of each calendar quarter. Each calendar quarter is defined as January, February, and March; April, May, and June; July, August, and September; and October, November, and December. Johnson County should have filed a GCR rate report for rates effective for its October billing cycle in September 2020. In its cover letter, Johnson County states that it realizes that its GCR rate report is late and asks for consideration due to difficulties acquiring invoices from its suppliers. Pursuant to Johnson County's Tariff, the next GCR rate effective date is January 1, 2021. In order to incorporate the months previously missed for gas cost recovery additional discovery is needed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Case No. 2019-00312, *Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Johnson County Gas Company, Inc.* (Ky. PSC June 26, 2020).

Johnson County, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested herein is due on December 11, 2020. The Commission directs Johnson County to the Commission's March 16, 2020 and March 24, 2020 Orders in Case No. 2020-00085<sup>2</sup> regarding filings with the Commission. The Commission expects the original documents to be filed with the Commission within 30 days of the lifting of the current state of emergency. All responses in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

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 the 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.

Johnson County shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Johnson County obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which Johnson County fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-*19 (Ky. PSC Mar. 16, 2020), Order at 5–6. Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related* to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19 (Ky. PSC Mar. 24, 2020), Order at 1–3.

Johnson County shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall 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. When filing a paper containing personal information, Johnson County shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to the cover letter included in Johnson County's GCR rate report.

a. Explain in detail the difficulties faced by Johnson County obtaining invoices from its natural gas suppliers.

b. Explain which natural gas suppliers made it difficult for Johnson County to obtain invoices.

c. Explain whether such issues, when obtaining invoices, are unique to this GCR rate case or whether Johnson County expects continuous issues obtaining invoices for its GCR rate reports in a timely manner.

2. Refer to the GCR rate report, Schedule IV, Actual Adjustment calculation sheet, Line titled "/ Total Sales\* (may not be less than 95% of supply volumes)."

Explain whether Johnson County applied the 95 percent limiter to its
Total Sales amount when the actual sales was less than the supply volumes purchased
for each month.

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b. State whether the months of February, March, and May 2020 should have had the 95 percent limiter applied to its Total Sales amount.

Confirm that Johnson County did not purchase any natural gas from Bradco
Oil Company for the months of May and June 2020.

4. State the actual Mcf sales and purchases for each month for the 12 months ended September 30, 2020.

5. Provide the amounts of natural gas sold in Mcf for each month of July, August, and September 2020.

6. Provide the invoices from each natural gas supplier for any natural gas purchased for the months of July, August, and September 2020.

7. Provide the total cost of the volumes purchased for the months of July, August, and September 2020.

8. Provide a customer billing history report for a random Johnson County residential customer for each month in the 12-month reporting period ended September 2020. Redact any personal information from the report, such as customer name, customer address, and any additional identifiable information. The report should be sure to include the monthly usage, the rates billed, the meter reading dates, and the GCA rate billed.

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