From: Bruner, Brandon S (PSC) on behalf of PSC Executive Director

To:
Subject: FW: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

Date: Thursday, October 15, 2020 7:38:00 AM

Thank you for your comments on the application of Peoples Gas KY, LLC. This application has yet to be filed with the Public Service Commission. Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration once the application has been filed.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards, Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: PSC Consumer Web Inquiry < PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2020 10:41 AM

To: PSC Public Information Officer < PSC.Info@ky.gov>

Subject: FW: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

From: KY Public Service Commission cfilings@ky.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2020 10:26 AM

To: PSC Consumer Web Inquiry < PSC.Consumer.Inquiry@ky.gov>

Subject: KY PSC Utility Inquiry

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by (on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 10:25 AM

on wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 10.25 AM

Name: Carolyn Coleman

Address: 52Marrowbone Dryfork,

City: Elkhorn City

State: KY

Zip Code: 41522

Phone number where you can be reached:

Home phone:

Utility Name: People's Ky.LLC

State the nature of your concern: Rate increase of 59% on gas bill

Have you contacted the utility about the problem: No

From: <u>Bruner, Brandon S (PSC)</u> on behalf of <u>PSC Executive Director</u>

To:

Bcc: Pinney, Jeb E (PSC)

Subject: Application to be Filed at a Later Date - Peoples Gas KY LLC Proposed Rate Charge Increases

Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 4:16:00 PM

Attachments: <u>E2A63761-FBBB-468E-9B82-5343662A30B1 (002).pdf</u>

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Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

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From: PSC Public Information Officer < PSC.Info@ky.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 10:41 AM **To:** PSC Executive Director <PSCED@ky.gov>

Subject: FW: Peoples Gas KY LLC Proposed Rate Charge Increases

From: Jarrad Belcher <

Sent: Monday, October 12, 2020 5:17 PM

To: PSC Public Information Officer < PSC.Info@ky.gov>

Subject: Peoples Gas KY LLC Proposed Rate Charge Increases

Good Afternoon Sir/Mis,

Please find attached my notification letter of customer charge and base rate charge increases from Peoples Gas KY LLC. I am writing to oppose the Peoples Gas KY LLC rate increase for both the customer charge and the base rate charge. As can be seen in the letter Peoples Gas KY LLC is requesting to almost triple the customer charge from the current rate of \$7.50 to \$21.00. I only use gas for heating during the winter months and this proposed change would would have a tremendous affect on my bill for the entire year. I consider this to be a big rate increase jump to occur at one time. I currently pay \$7.50 per month during the summer months when I don't use any gas which is still a lot to pay when not using any gas but to almost triple that charge and have to pay \$21.00 during the summer months which is about half the year (when again I'm not using any

gas) is ridiculous. On to the base rate increase; as can be seen in the attached letter from Peoples Gas KY LLC they are proposing a more than double base rate increase from \$2.1322 per Mcf to \$4.3185 in addition to the almost tripling proposed increase to the customer charge that is required to be paid throughout the year whether you are using gas or not. With all these proposed rate increases it will be extremely hard for the normal hard working Kentucky family to pay for an essential service (heating your home and keeping your family warm). Thus, I asking the Public Service Commission (PSC) to take this into consideration and also take a very strong look at if this much of a rate increase is really necessary for Peoples Gas KY LLC to operate or if Peoples Gas KY LLC is just trying to make their portfolio look more attractive to investors as in this same letter I read Peoples Gas KY LLC parent company PNG Companies LLC plans to transfer ownership of Peoples Gas KY LLC to Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. after the rate proceeding concludes. I am requesting a follow-up on my written request for intervention from both the Public Service Commission (PSC) and Peoples Gas KY LLC and also an explanation from Peoples Gas KY LLC as to why this much of an increase is necessary.

Thanks, Concerned Customer

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE Date of Mailing: October 6, 2020

Peoples Gas KY LLC is filing a request with the Public Service Commission to increase its rates. This is the first request to increase base rates in over sixteen years. The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Peoples Gas KY LLC. However, the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from the rates in this notice. Any corporation, association, body politic, or person may file written comments or a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the date of this notice with the Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602. Copies of the request for an increase in rates may be obtained by contacting the gas company at 463 Hambley Boulevard, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. A copy of the request for an increase in rates will be available for public inspection at this address.

Present Rates	Proposed Rate	Estimated Monthly Bill
Customer Charge: \$7.50	Customer Charge: \$21.00*	Present Rates: \$37.77
Base Rate: \$2.1322 per Mcf	Base Rate: \$4.3185 per Mcf	Proposed Rates: \$59.93
		Percentage Increase: 59%

*The proposed increase in the customer charge will be partially offset by a monthly surcredit of \$3.83 for the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Surcredit.

Peoples Gas KY LLC is also notifying the Public Service Commission of its intent that Peoples Gas KY LLC's parent company, PNG Companies LLC, plans to transfer ownership of Peoples Gas KY LLC to Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. after the rate proceeding concludes. Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. is also owned by PNG Companies, LLC. Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. currently provides natural gas service to customers in Kentucky near Peoples Gas KY LLC's service territory. Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. will provide further information regarding its company, including contact information, should the transaction occur. Information regarding the planned transaction will be available in the same application as the proposed rate change.

From: <u>Bruner, Brandon S (PSC)</u> on behalf of <u>PSC Executive Director</u>

To:

Subject: Peoples Gas Proposed Rate Change

Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 2:54:00 PM

Thank you for your comments on the application of Peoples Gas KY, LLC. This application has yet to be filed with the Public Service Commission. Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration once the application has been filed.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

Brandon Bruner Administrative Branch Manager Filings Branch General Administration

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601

From: PSC Public Information Officer <PSC.Info@ky.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 8:24 AM **To:** PSC Executive Director <PSCED@ky.gov> **Subject:** FW: Peoples Gas Proposed Rate Change

From: Jeff Walters < Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2020 11:02 AM

To: PSC Public Information Officer < PSC.Info@ky.gov>

Subject: Peoples Gas Proposed Rate Change

Peoples Gas is currently proposing a rate change with more than a 100% increase in the customer charge and an almost 100% increase in the base rate. While this may be their first request for a base rate increase in over 16 years this is going to place a huge burden on people struggling during this time of pandemic. With all these years that a rate increase could have been requested this seems like a poor time to do so. While they may need an increase to remain profitable, this seems like an exorbitant increase all at once. Please give careful consideration to the impact the amount requested will have on so many at this time.

Jeff Walters 1098 Booker Fork Pikeville, KY 41501 *Peoples Gas KY, LLC 375 North Shore Drive Suite 600 Pittsburgh, PA 15212

*John B Brown Chief Financial Officer Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. 3617 Lexington Road Winchester, KY 40391

*Kimberly Joyce Essential Utilities, Inc. 762 W Lancaster Ave. Bryn Mawr, PENNSYLVANIA 19010

*Monica Braun STOLL KEENON OGDEN PLLC 300 West Vine Street Suite 2100 Lexington, KENTUCKY 40507-1801

*Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. 3617 Lexington Road Winchester, KY 40391