

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC TARIFF FILING OF B&S OIL &)	
GAS COMPANY FOR INITIAL RULES,)	CASE NO.
REGULATIONS AND RATES FOR FURNISHING)	2021-00484
GAS SERVICE PURSUANT TO KRS 278.485)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO B&S OIL & GAS COMPANY

B&S Oil & Gas Company (B&S), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on February 24, 2022. The Commission directs B&S to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and 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

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

B&S shall make timely amendment to any prior response if B&S 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 B&S fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, B&S 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, B&S 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 Sheet No. 3 of the proposed tariff, Customer Service Charge.
 - a. Provide a list of activities included in "Callouts, Well Maintenance, etc."
 - b. Provide the basis for the 1,200 Mcf annual usage.
 - c. State whether B&S is specifically proposing a monthly customer charge of \$15.05, or if B&S is proposing a customer charge in an amount corresponding to the fixed monthly customer-related charges that the Commission finds to be reasonable.

2. Refer to Sheet No. 5 of the proposed tariff, Schedule 1-12 Month NYMEX Strip Prices. Provide the date of the NYMEX Strip Prices shown.

3. Refer to Sheet No. 6 of the proposed tariff, Schedule 2 – Administrative Personnel Cost. Provide the basis for the estimated hours per month.

4. Refer to Sheet No. 7 of the proposed tariff, Schedule 3 – Postage and Office Supplies.

a. Indicate whether the number of customers on the Customer Office Supplies line should be 20 instead of 29.

b. Explain why 60 Mcf per month is used as the average usage, while 1,200 Mcf annual usage (which would indicate 100 Mcf per month average usage) is used elsewhere in the rate calculations. Provide any corrections necessary based on the correct usage.

c. Provide the basis for the number of projected farm tap customers.

d. Provide the basis for the estimated per customer cost of office supplies.

5. Refer to Sheet No. 8 of the proposed tariff, Other Charges and Customer Deposits.

a. Using the Commission Cost Justification Sheets, provide detailed cost support for the following:

(1) Disconnect Fee of \$20;

(2) Returned Check Charge of \$30;

(3) Service Trip Charge of \$25;

(4) Late Payment Charge of 10 percent; and

(5) Reread Meter Charge of \$20.

b. Explain whether the Reread Meter Charge will be assessed if the original meter reading was incorrect.

6. Refer to Sheet No. 9 of the proposed tariff, C. Refusal of Service section, which states, "Company reserves the right to refuse or to defer full service to an applicant where the existing mains are inadequate to serve the applicants requirements without adversely affecting the service to the customers already connected and being served." State the legal basis for B&S to refuse service to a customer located within one-half air mile of its lines.

7. Refer to Sheet No. 10 of the proposed tariff, E. Monthly Bills, which states, "If billing errors occur, the Company shall refund to Customer the amount of any overcharge and shall have the right to collect the amount of any undercharge due to billing errors." Indicate how far back B&S will go to calculate refunds or overcharges in cases of billing errors.

8. Explain whether the gas in B&S's system is odorized. If so, state the method of odorization.

9. State whether the projected farm tap customers currently have gas service. If so, state the provider of the existing gas service.

10. State whether B&S currently serves any farm tap customer. If so, provide the length of time the customer(s) have been served, and explain what rate the existing farm tap customer(s) pay, or if they are free gas customers.

11. Provide a system map or maps that show B&S's natural gas system, including the location, size, category, and material of lines and the location of producing wells and the locations of current or prospective farm tap customers.
12. Confirm that all current or prospective customers are within one-half air mile of B&S's gathering lines.
13. State the proximity of current or prospective customers to the distribution lines of Navitas KY NG, LLC in Floyd County.
14. State the market or customer to which the product of B&S's gas wells is ultimately sold.
15. Provide the total annual gas production of B&S's gas wells for the past three years.
16. Explain whether B&S's gathering lines have available capacity to serve additional customers.
17. Explain whether B&S would purchase any gas to supply the farm tap system.
18. Explain whether B&S's customers have been notified of the proposed rates. If so, provide the notice. If not, explain how customers will be notified.
19. State whether B&S has any operator qualifications or operations and maintenance plans or performs leakage or patrolling surveys. If so, provide the details.
20. Provide a general description of B&S's gas system, including the date(s) of construction.



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