

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT)	CASE NO.
FILING OF NATURAL ENERGY UTILITY)	2024-00369
CORPORATION)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO NATURAL ENERGY UTILITY CORPORATION

Natural Energy Utility Corporation (Natural Energy), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on January 27, 2025. The Commission directs Natural Energy 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.

Natural Energy shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Natural Energy obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect or incomplete when made or, though correct or complete when made, is now incorrect or incomplete in any material respect.

For any request to which Natural Energy fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Natural Energy shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied and scanned 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, Natural Energy 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 Commission Staff's Request for Information (Staff's Request) that was issued in Appendix B to the final Order in Case No. 2024-00295,² Item 1(b), invoices for the activity period of May, 2024 through October 2024, in regards to the rates used for the "Ky PSC Approved Tariff Rate".

² Case No. 2024-00295, *Electronic Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Natural Energy Utility Corporation* (Ky. PSC Oct. 9, 2024), final Order, Appendix B. The utility filed its responses in this case, Purchased Gas Adjustment Application (filed Nov. 19, 2024), Answer to Question 1.

a. Confirm that the “Ky PSC Approved Tariff Rate” used in these invoices include the base usage rate of \$4.24 per Mcf³ and the Gas Cost Recovery (GCR) rates as approved by the Commission for each quarter period.

b. If not, then explain where each of the invoice’s “Ky PSC Approved Tariff Rate” is derived.

2. Refer to Natural Energy’s response to Staff’s Request,⁴ Item 1(d). Also, refer to the Natural Energy TFS 2024-00212⁵ addendum to the special contract (amended special contract) originally approved in Case No. 2018-00164.⁶ Explain in detail why, under the terms of the amended special contract, Natural Energy would consider the Contract Customer exempt from the Gas Cost Recovery (GCR) calculation, in a situation in which the Contract Customer is being charged the GCR rate.



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DATED JAN 13 2025

cc: Parties of Record

³ P.S.C. Ky. No. 1, 36TH Sheet No. 2 (issued Oct. 9, 2024), effective Oct. 1, 2024.

⁴ Case No. 2024-00295, *Electronic Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Natural Energy Utility Corporation* (Ky. PSC Oct. 9, 2024), final Order, Appendix B. The utility filed its responses in this case, Purchased Gas Adjustment Application (filed Nov. 19, 2024), Answer to Question 1.

⁵ TFS2024-00212 (Ky. PSC May 8, 2024); the tariff was accepted for filing by the Commission by letter dated June 6, 2024.

⁶ Case No. 2018-00164, *The Filing of a Special Contract by Natural Energy Utility Corporation* (filed. May 1, 2018), Special Contract.

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