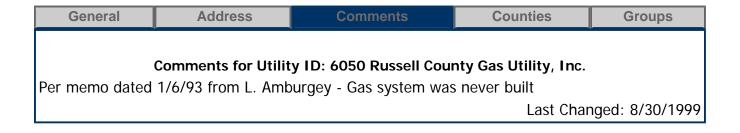
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# **Utility Information**





# Russell County Gas Utility, Inc.

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RUSSELL COUNTY GAS UTILITY, INC.

OF

# RUSSELL SPRINGS, KENTUCKY

Rates, Rules and Regulations for Furnishing
Natural Gas

at

Russell Springs, Jamestown and Rural communities and areas served by the Company in Russell and Adair Counties, Kentucky

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#### 1. Expenditures for Plant Additions

Before beginning construction of any project or plant additions, plans will be submitted to the Commission for approval in compliance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9.

# 2. Reports

Quarterly financial statements will be filed with the Commission within 60 days after the end of the quarter covered by the report.

#### 3. Records

All records required by the Commission will be kept at the Company office located at Key Village Shopping Center, Russell Springs, Kentucky 42642. All such records shall be preserved for the period of time specified for gas companies and shall comply with the Uniform System of Accounts ("USoA') as adopted by the Commission.

#### 4. Pipeline Safety Rules

The Operations and Maintenance Procedure Manual filed with the Commission will be kept current with applicable of the Commission regulations.

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#### 5. Standard Heating Value of Gas

The heating value of gas supplied to customers shall have a minimum heating value equal to the heating value of the gas furnished by the Company's supplier or suppliers (this generally varies between 1,000 and 1,040 Btu per cubic foot of gas). In no event shall the heating value of gas exceed a BTU content that does not comply with 807 KAR 5:022, Section 16.

#### 6. Customer Service Requests

Each customer desiring service shall request the service by writing, phoning or by appearing in person at the Company office in Russell Springs, Kentucky. This is required to secure information from the customer in order to process the paperwork and to give proper service.

#### 7. Deposits

Cash deposits to guarantee payment of current bills for gas service may be required as follows: rental houses, apartments, mobile homes and customer-owned houses - \$25.00; small commercial - \$35.00. The above deposits may be increased to an estimation of two/twelfths of a customer's average annual bill.

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# 8. Extension Policy

- A. <u>Service Lines</u>. A service line will be installed free of charge up to 100 feet from an existing gas main to a permanent dwelling. The service line riser location will be determined by the Company. Service lines of more than 100 feet may entail an extra charge for labor and material.
- B. <u>Main Extensions</u>. Gas mains will be extended without charge if a feasibility study shows that gas consumption would economically support an extension.
- 9. Company Owned Equipment on Customer's Property

The Company will normally furnish, own, and maintain a service line, gas shut-off valve, pressure regulator with proper relief devices, and a gas meter on the customer's property.

# 10. Measurement of Gas

The gas supplied to residential and small commercial users will be measured using a temperature compensating meter (Rockwell or American Meter). Large commercial and industrial customers will be measured as specified in the gas contract between the customer and the Company.

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#### 11. Meter Reading and Billing

Meters will be read monthly on a scheduled cycle basis with a bill for the gas consumed during the billing period mailed to the customer by the fifth day after the reading. The bill rendered will be based on the rate schedules or existing contracts between the customer and the Company.

# 12. Discontinuance or Suspension for Nonpayment

Residential and small commercial customers' bills become due within 10 days of issuance and become delinquent if not paid within 30 days of issuance. A service charge of 5 percent will be added if the bill is not paid by the end of the 30 days. At this time, the customer will be notified in writing that service will be discontinued if the bill is not paid within 20 days.

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#### 13. Services Provided Free to Customers

The Company will provide, free of charge, to residential and small commercial customers during regular working hours:

- burner adjustments on furnaces, water heaters, dryers, and cook stoves;
- clean and adjust pilot lights on furnaces, water heaters, dryers and cook stoves; and
- 3. check for gas leaks.

There will be a charge of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per visit for the above services if required to be done after regular working hours or if repeated more than 3 times in a 12 month period for the same customer. Any other type of service work or repair done for the customer will be charged for. All such charges will be specified and tariffed.

#### 14. Gas Wastage

If wastage occurs without customer knowledge, the bill will be adjusted by 1/2 the difference between the cost of gas to the Company and the rate at the time of the wastage.

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# 15. Reconnection Charge

A reconnection charge of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) will be made by the Company when service has been disconnected for nonpayment of bills or for the violation of the Company's Rules and Regulations and the customer has qualified for and requested the service to be reconnected. If service has been disconnected at the request of the customer during the previous 12 months, the Company will reconnect service at the same premises after a reconnection charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) has been paid.

# 16. Bad Check Charge

A service charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) will be imposed on any customer whose check is returned from the bank due to insufficient funds. Such accounts will be considered in arrears, subject to penalty and possible termination after notice pursuant to 807 KAR 5:006, Section 11.

# 17. Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause

The rates authorized herein are based upon the wholesale cost of gas to Company as computed upon rates of its wholesale supplier currently in effect. For the purpose of this purchased gas adjustment clause, this rate shall be considered as the base rate for purchased gas. In the event there is an increase in this base rate, Company shall file with this Commission the following information:

A. a copy of the tariff effecting the change in the base rate and a statement relative to the effective date of such proposed change;

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- B. a statement setting out the details of gas purchased under the provision of the base rate for the previous 12 months showing billing under the base rate and under the proposed revised rate applicable to this service;
- C. a statement setting out the details of gas sold for the previous 12 months;
- D. a balance sheet as of the end of the latest 12 month period and a statement of operating expenses and revenues in the same detail as reported to this Commission in Company's annual report; and
- E. such other information as this Commission may request for proper determination of the purchased gas adjustment.

In the event there is a decrease in purchased gas cost or refund, Company shall file the information required in A, B and D above.

Upon receipt of this information, this Commission will review the effect of the revised rate on the operation of Company and will issue its Order setting out the purchased gas adjustment that Company shall apply to its rates.

The maximum amount of the adjustment so prescribed shall not produce revenue adjustments, based upon the actual preceding 12-month period, greater than the difference between the purchased gas billed at the then existing rate and the purchased gas billed at the revised rate.

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On and after the effective date of this rate schedule, if any increase or decrease is made in the rate at which Company's gas supplier sells gas to Company, the unit charges of the aforesaid rate schedule shall be increased or decreased by a purchased gas adjustment determined as follows:

- A. Gas purchases will be determined by Company under supplier's applicable rate schedule during a period of 12 calendar months ending within 3 months preceding the month of the effective date of the supplier's rate change. Such purchases shall be:
  - i. at the base supplier rate, and
  - ii. at the new supplier rate.

The difference between these amounts shows the total change in purchased gas costs.

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The total change in purchased gas costs shall be divided by the actual number of cubic feet

of gas sold by Company during said 12-month period, yielding the purchased gas adjustment expressed in cents per cubic feet, unless Company's gas loss exceeds 5 percent. The unit charge or credit so determined shall be the purchased gas adjustment applicable to consumer In instances where the gas loss exceeds 5 percent, the actual gas sales shall be divided by 95 percent, yielding the maximum allowable gas purchases. The maximum allowable gas purchases shall then be multiplied by the base supplier rate and new supplier rate with the difference yielding the total allowable change. The total allowable change shall then be divided by the actual number of cubic feet of gas sold by Company during the said 12-month period, yielding the unit charge or credit

applicable to consumer billings.

C. The new supplier rate shall become the base supplier rate to be used in measuring the effect of any subsequent supplier rate change. SERVICE COMMISSION Each such subsequent change shall be treated of KENTUCKY in the same manner as set forth above for the establishment of a new purchased gas adjustment.

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In the event that Company receives from its supplier a refund of amounts paid to such supplier in respect of a prior period, Company will apply to the Commission for authority and upon receipt thereof make adjustments on the amounts charged to its customers under this provision as follows:

- A. The "refundable amount" shall be the amount received by Company as a refund. Such refundable amount shall be divided by the number of cubic feet of gas that Company estimates it will sell to its customers during the 4-month period commencing with the first day of the month following receipt of the refund, thus determining a "refund factor".
- B. Effective with meter readings taken on and after the first day of the second month following receipt of the refund, Company will reduce by the refund factor so determined any purchased gas adjustment that would otherwise be applicable during such period provided, however, that the period of reduced purchased gas adjustment will be adjusted, if necessary, in order to refund as nearly as possible the refundable amount.
- C. In the event of any large or unusual refunds, Company may apply to the Commission for the right to depart from the refund procedure herein set forth.

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