

**THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

Before Commissioners: Dwight D. Keen, Chair
 Shari Feist Albrecht
 Susan K. Duffy

In the Matter of the Investigation of Kansas)
Gas Service, A Division of ONE Gas) Docket No. 20-DPAX-080-PEN

**ORDER APPROVING
EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FILING AND PAYMENT**

NOW, the above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (“Commission”) on the Motion of Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas (“KGS”) for an extension of time to file a response and/or submit payment of the civil assessment as recommended in this docket. Having reviewed its files and records and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following findings:

1. On August 29, 2019, at Staff’s recommendation, the Commission issued a Penalty Order (“Order”) against KGS for fourteen (14) violations of the Kansas Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act (“KUUDPA”).¹ Staff noted its recommendation included enhanced penalties for each incident because each violation represented a repeated issue.²

2. KGS contacted Staff and informed Staff it would be requesting an extension of time to file a response and/or to pay the civil assessment. KGS will use the extension to have additional discussion with Staff to develop a mutually agreeable path going forward. KGS also suggested it will be using this time to develop and implement training to its employees and the extension will

¹ Penalty Order (Aug. 29, 2019) (Order).

² *Id.* at 5.

afford all parties the additional time to address the issues raised by Staff in the Order and in the Report and Recommendation which initiated the issuance of the Order.

3. KGS requests the extension to be in effect until the close of business on November 22, 2019.

4. As noted in the Motion, KGS has spoken with Staff regarding this matter. Staff is amenable to allowing KGS the additional time-frame requested so that KGS may address these issues comprehensively to avoid repeated violations in the future.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

A. KGS's Motion is granted and KGS will have until close of business on November 22, 2019, to file a response and/or pay the civil penalty issued in this docket.

B. The parties have fifteen (15) days, plus three (3) days if service of this order is by mail, from the date this order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided herein. K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of issuing such further order, or orders, as it may deem necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Keen, Chair; Albrecht, Commissioner; Duffy, Commissioner

Dated: 10/10/2019



Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of electronic service on 10/10/2019.

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