## BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Application of Kansas	)
Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc.	)
for Adjustment of its Natural Gas Rates in	) Docket No. 24-KGSG-610-RTS
the State of Kansas	

OF

KEARA J. DOWNUM

ON BEHALF OF KANSAS GAS SERVICE

A DIVISION OF ONE GAS, INC.

July 22, 2024

## PUBLIC REDACTED REBUTTAL TESTIMONY

### OF

# KEARA J. DOWNUM ON BEHALF OF KANSAS GAS SERVICE A DIVISION OF ONE GAS, INC. DOCKET NO. 24-KGSG-610-RTS

1	l.	Position and Qualifications
2	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
3	A.	My name is Keara J. Downum. My business address is 15 East Fifth Street in Tulsa,
4		Oklahoma.
5	Q.	By whom are you employed and in what capacity?
6	A.	I am employed by ONE Gas, Inc. ("ONE Gas") as a Rates Analyst II.
7	Q.	Are you the same Keara Downum who submitted direct testimony in this
8		docket?
9	A.	Yes.
10	Q.	Do you sponsor any exhibits in connection with your rebuttal testimony?
11	A.	Yes. A list of the exhibits is as follows:
2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Q.	<ul> <li>CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-1</li> <li>CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-2</li> <li>CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-3</li> <li>Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4</li> <li>CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-5</li> </ul> What is the purpose of your rebuttal testimony?
20	A.	The purpose of my Rebuttal Testimony is to respond to the Direct Testimony and
21		recommendations of Kansas Corporation Commission ("Commission") Staff

ı		withesses. Ms. Andria Jackson, Ms. Natie L. Figgs, and Citizens Othing Natepayer
2		Board ("CURB") witness Ms. Andrea Crane on the following issues:
3		• The calculation of incentive compensation in Staff Adjustment No. 8 (IS-8);
4		• The recommendations and calculation of Staff Adjustment No. 13 (IS-13)
5		related to relocation expense;
6		• The recommendations and calculation of Staff Adjustment No. 21 (IS-21)
7		related miscellaneous corporate expenses categorized as entertainment,
8		flowers, promotional items, meals, miscellaneous, other state rate case
9		expense, scholarship, tips, travel, and valet.
10		Company witnesses Megan Gough and Lorna Eaton also address Staff's and CURB's
1		recommendations on incentive compensation.
12	II.	Incentive Compensation
3	Q.	What is the purpose of your rebuttal testimony related to incentive
14		compensation?
5	A.	The purpose of my rebuttal testimony on incentive compensation is to address
16		adjustments made by Commission Staff witness Ms. Figgs. In this section of my
17		testimony, I'll be addressing the calculation of Staff Adjustment IS-8.
8	Q.	Do any other Company witnesses address adjustments to incentive
19		compensation proposed by Staff and CURB?
20	A.	Yes. Company witnesses Ms. Gough and Ms. Eaton provide rebuttal testimony to both
21		Ms. Figgs' and Ms. Crane's positions on incentive compensation. In particular, they
22		will explain why ONE Gas' incentive compensation plans and related costs are
23		reasonable and necessary expenses and therefore should be included in the cost of
24		service. Additionally, Company witness Mr. Kenneth Eakens provides rebuttal

testimony to KCC Staff Witness Ms. Andria Jackson's position on accumulated deferred income tax ("ADIT") related to incentive compensation.

#### Q. Please discuss Staff's adjustment IS-8 to incentive compensation.

Α.

A. Staff recommends decreasing operating expenses by \$1,673,613¹ by removing 70% of executive and officer short-term incentives ("STI") that are financial performance-based, 50% of executive and officer equity compensation expense associated with restricted stock units, and 100% of executive equity compensation expense associated with performance-based units.

# Q. Do you agree with the calculation of Staff Adjustment IS-8 to eliminate STI compensation expenses?

A. No, I do not. KGS understands KCC Staff's position on this issue, and KGS witnesses Ms. Eaton and Ms. Gough provide KGS's overall response to the arguments presented by KCC Staff and CURB. If the Commission were to accept KCC Staff's recommendations, further adjustments to Staff Adjustment IS-8 would be required.

#### Q. Why would adjustments to Staff Adjustment IS-8 be required?

Based on my review of the adjustment, there appears to be several calculation errors.

First, in Staff Adjustment IS-8, calculations were made to KGS's allocated, "Adjusted Total Amount. Since KGS's "Adjusted Total Amount" already removed 50% of the STI amount based on financial metrics for executives and officers. Staff's Adjustment IS-8 results in a double removal of a portion of STI expense. Second, Staff's adjustment was based on a calculation that already reduced STI down to 100 percent of target. This calculation was made using the Company's "Adjusted Total Amount" data which already reflected STI at 100% of target. Thus, Staff's adjustment inadvertently results

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-1 - 24-610 Exhibits Figgs CONFIDENTIAL, Excel tabs STI KLF-5, KLF-5a and KLF-5b; Removal of \$938,017 of STI, \$192,758 of Restricted Stock and \$542,838 of Performance stock amounts.

in a double removal of STI expense down to 100% of target. Staff also applied the
adjustment to the sum of non-officers and the officers and executives amount; thereby,
inadvertently applying the executive and officer adjustment to non-officers. These
same issues apply to KGS direct STI amounts, in addition to applying the Distrigas
allocation to KGS STI.
The table below summarizes the calculation issues identified in "24-610 Exhibits
Figgs' Confidential" file provided by Staff in response to a data request. The table
references columns in CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-1.

Corporate Allocated and KGS	Company Adjustment IS-27 Filed position for - STI Adjustment Reflected in the	Staff Adjustment IS-8 Applied to the Company's	Calculation issue
	"KGS Allocated Adjusted Total Amount Column" <sup>(1)</sup>	"KGS Allocated Adjusted Total Amount" Column	
	Removed 50% of STI amount based on Financial Metrics	Removed 70% of STI that is based on Financial Metrics	Over removed portion of executive and officer STI amount because Staff's calculations didn't account for the Company's adjustment that removed 50% of STI based on financial metrics
Executive & officers	Removed STI amount over 100% of Target	Adjusted STI down to 100%.	Over removed STI to a level below the 100% of target amount, because Staff's calculations didn't account for the Company's adjustment that removed STI above 100%.
			Additionally, the percent used was incorrect resulting in further over removal of costs. This percent was derived from the Company's formula that already accounted for the removal of 50% of Financial based STI and removal of STI over 100% of Target.
Non-officer	Removed STI amount over 100% of Target	Removed 70% of STI that is based on Financial Metrics	Inadvertently removed 70% STI amount from non-officers. The formula to remove executive and officer STI was applied to non-officer amounts.

Corporate Allocated and KGS Company Adjustment IS-27 Filed position for - STI Adjustment Reflected in the Staff Adjustment IS-8 Applied to the Company's Calculation issue

"KGS Allocated Adjusted Total Amount Column"<sup>(1)</sup> "KGS Allocated Adjusted Total Amount" Column

Adjusted STI down to 100%.

Over removed STI below the 100% of target amount, because Staff's calculations didn't account for the Company's adjustment that already removed STI above 100%.

Applied the Distrigas Allocation percent to KGS direct STI.

Additionally, an incorrect percent was used resulting in further over removal of costs. This percent was derived using the Company's formula that accounted for the removal of 50% of Financial based STI for executives and officers and removal of STI over 100% of Target.

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

- Q. If the Commission adopted Staff's position on STI, what is the correct adjustment amount?
- A. If the Commission adopted Staff's position regarding STI removing 70% of executive and officer STI that are financial performance-based expenses, the correct adjustment amount to add to the Company's filed adjustment is \$542,249².
- Q. Do you agree with the calculation of Staff Adjustment IS-8 to eliminate long-term incentives ("LTI") compensation expenses?
- A. No, I do not. It appears corrections similar to those described above for STI expense should be made to the LTI component of compensation expense. In short Staff Adjustment IS-8 adjusted the "Adjusted Total Amount", resulting in an over-adjusted officer LTI. The Company's "Adjusted Total Amount" already reflected the Company's removal of 50% of the officers' performance and restricted LTI.

  Staff's adjustment:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-2; See Excel column U cell 49.

1		<ul> <li>Removed restricted LTI by 50% using the "Adjusted Total Amount", which</li> </ul>
2		already reflected an adjustment by the Company to remove 50% of the officers
3		restricted LTI;
4		Removed performance LTI by 100% using the "Adjusted Total Amount", which
5		already reflected an adjustment by the Company to remove 50% of the officers
6		performance LTI;
7		Removed 50% of restricted LTI and 100% of performance LTI for non-officers
8		when Staff's position was to adjust officer LTI only.
9		If the Commission adopted Staff's position regarding LTI removing 50% of executive
10		and officer equity compensation associated with restricted stock units, and 100% of
11		executive equity compensation associated with performance-based units, the correct
12		adjustment amount to add to the Company's filed adjustment is \$817,7433.
13	Q.	If the Commission were to remove 70% of executive STI that is financial
14		performance-based, 50% of executive equity compensation associated with
15		restricted stock units, and 100% of executive equity compensation expense
16		associated with performance-based units, what would be the correct
17		adjustment?
18	A.	If the Commission were to accept Staff's incentive compensation recommendation on
19		Staff Adjustment IS-8, the adjustment amount to add to the Company's filed
20		adjustment is \$1,359,992 <sup>4</sup> .
21	Q.	What is your recommendation for incentive compensation?
22	A.	I recommend the Commission approve the Company's incentive compensation
23		position originally filed for the reasons supported in direct testimony and as explained

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-2; See Excel column U cell 62.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-2; See Excel column U cell 78.

in my rebuttal testimony and the rebuttal testimony of Ms. Eaton and Ms. Gough. If the Commission approves Staff's recommendation, it should use the corrected amount described in my testimony.

#### III. Relocation Expense

Α.

- Q. Please discuss Staff Adjustment IS-13 to relocation expense.
- A. Staff evaluates whether relocation expense is a necessary and reasonable expense.

  Staff recommends an adjustment to decrease operating expenses by \$149,496, which

  allows KGS to only recover 50% of relocation expenses.
  - Q. Do you agree with Staff Adjustment IS-13 to remove 50% of relocation expense?
    - No. KGS's testimony and supporting evidence showed these costs are necessary and reasonable operating expenses. No evidence has been presented showing these were imprudent, unnecessary, unjust, or unreasonable costs. As Company witness Ms. Gough discusses in her rebuttal testimony, relocation is a necessary business expense that assists full-time employees in relocating their residence and families due to a change in their required work location by paying for the employees' reasonable and necessary relocation expenses such as for travel, temporary housing, and the packing, movement, and storage of household goods. In addition, this adjustment would represent a shift in Commission policy. No evidence has been presented that the Commission has accepted such an adjustment in previous KGS cases. Therefore, KGS has been allowed to recover relocation costs in previous rate cases. The relocation costs incurred by the Company and requested in this filing are just and reasonable expenses and the full expense amount of \$298,993<sup>5</sup> should be approved.

#### IV. <u>Miscellaneous Corporate Expenses</u>

Q. Please discuss Staff Adjustment IS-21 to miscellaneous corporate charges.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-3

A. Staff recommends the removal of several miscellaneous corporate costs resulting in a \$170,956 decrease to operating expenses. This adjustment inappropriately removes certain costs associated with employee appreciation, team building, recruiting, education and training.

#### Q. Do you agree with Staff Adjustment IS-21 to miscellaneous corporate charges?

A. Mostly, no. Again, no evidence has been presented showing these were imprudent, unnecessary, unjust, or unreasonable costs. This adjustment inappropriately removes several costs that are just and reasonable, including costs associated with training, scholarships, necessary business travel and meals, and employee appreciation. I elaborate on these adjustments further below. Outlined in the table below is a summary of the Company's position to Staff's proposed adjustments:

Category	Staff Proposed Adjustment	Company's Position as it relates to Staff's Proposed Adjustment	Exhibit KJD-3
Entertainment	\$3,499	\$80	
Flowers	\$1,021	\$0	
Logo Items	\$13,003	\$0	
Meals			
Travel Meals	\$41,992	\$0	
Other Meals	\$15,591	\$0	
Alcohol	\$4,520	\$4,520	Do not object to Staff's adjustment
TOTAL MEALS	\$62,103	\$4,600	
Miscellaneous			
Break Room Supplies	\$8,126	\$0	
Donation	\$3,850	\$0	
Gifts	\$8,862	\$0	
Décor	\$307	\$0	
Celebrations	\$4,085	\$0	
Fees	\$51	\$51	Do not object to Staff's adjustment
Marketing	\$3,669	\$0	
Misc	\$11,983	\$0	
TOTAL MISC	\$40,932	\$51	
Other State Rate Case	\$2,765	\$0	
Scholarship	\$35,511	\$0	
Tips	\$320	\$0	
Travel	\$11,426	\$0	
Valet	\$377	\$0	
TOTAL	\$170,956	\$4,651	

- 3 4 5
- A. I believe Staff's recommendation for disallowance is misplaced for the following adjustments, identified on Staff Adjustment IS-21. As with previously discussed adjustments, there is no evidence these costs are unjust or unreasonable.

recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$3,4196.

7 8 9

6

not fully capture the expenses' purpose. Most of these costs pertain to team building meetings, conference events, and safety and training meetings in the amount of \$3,499. Events such as these are important to provide continued training, collaboration or education opportunities and assist with employee morale and a positive work environment. The Company should be allowed to

ENTERTAINMENT - Staff's labeling of all these items as entertainment does

13

14

15

12

11

- of celebration. Sending flowers to employees in a time of loss respects the emotional impact of mourning and demonstrates that the company values an employee's well-being beyond the workplace. Similarly in celebration, flowers can be a recognition of significant accomplishments honoring
- 17

16

milestones. Providing flowers to employees and community members is an

FLOWERS - Flowers are occasionally appropriate to send for funerals or times

18 19

active demonstration of Service and Inclusion & Diversity. The Company

should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$1,0217.

20

21

 PROMOTIONAL LOGO ITEMS - These costs are related to various promotional items engraved or embossed with the Company logo in the

2223

amount of \$13,003. Logos are common purchases made by the Company for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4. See the Excel tabs - MISC Corp Exp KLF-13 and Entertainment

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4. See the Excel tabs - MISC Corp Exp KLF-13 and Flowers

1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	
11	
12	
13	
14	
15	
16	
17	
18	
19	
20	

22

23

vehicles, equipment, supplies, office buildings, and uniforms. The Company logo provides an awareness and unified image to both our customers and employees. The logo also represents the Company's purpose and exhibits a consistent image recognizable to customers and employees. The Company should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$13,0038.

- MEALS These costs are related to various business-related meals while traveling, working lunches, meals or travel costs for employee development and recruiting events, etc. in the amount of \$62,103. The Company's travel and meal policy is that travel and meals should be ordinary, necessary, reasonable, and directly related to or associated with business. However, the Company does not object to the recommendation to remove 100% of expenses related to alcohol in the amount of \$4,520. The Company should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$57,5849.
- MISCELLANEOUS These costs reflect break room supplies, employee recognition, miscellaneous fees, education, and miscellaneous expenses.
  - BREAK ROOM SUPPLIES Staff's labeling of this item as break room supplies does not capture these expenses purpose. These costs are related to hydration, food, supplies, water, utensils, etc. provided or used during training sessions, meetings, and some items to supply break rooms for employees. Break rooms are designated space within a workplace where employees can take short breaks and/or eat lunches. These items and spaces are provided for the safety and well-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4. See the Excel tabs - MISC Corp Exp KLF-13 and Logo

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4. See the Excel tab - MISC Corp Exp KLF-13 and Misc

1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	
11	
12	
13	
14	
15	
16	
17	
18	
19	

21

22

23

being of our employees. The Company should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$8,126<sup>10</sup>.

- DONATIONS Staff's labeling of this item as a donation does not capture this expenses' purpose. This expense was for the Company's annual fee for its chief executive officer's membership in the National Petroleum Council. The National Petroleum Council's purpose is to advise, inform, and make recommendations to the United States Secretary of Energy and the entire Executive Branch of the federal government with respect to any matter relating to oil and natural gas. The Secretary of Energy selects and appoints 220 persons for Council membership. Participating in this Council gives a voice to Kansas customers on energy policy issues. The Company included an adjustment in its IS-25 to remove 3.4 percent cost of this invoice that was attributable to lobbying. The Company should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$3,850<sup>11</sup>.
- o GIFTS These costs are for activities such as customer service recognition, career fair supplies used while recruiting talent to join the company, team building activities, safety day supplies, well-being recognition or appreciation, etc. demonstrates that the company values an employee. Small gifts can be a recognition of significant accomplishments honoring milestones, showing appreciation, encouraging teamwork, etc. Providing these recognition items to employees is an active demonstration of Service and Inclusion &

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4 See the Excel tab Misc

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4 See the Excel tab Misc

1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	
11	
12	
13	
14	
15	
16	
17	
18	
19	
20	
21	
22	
23	

Diversity. The Company should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$8,862<sup>12</sup>.

- DÉCOR AND CELEBRATIONS These costs pertain to retirements, holidays, and celebrations for employee life events in the amount of \$307 and \$4,085, respectively. Events such as these are important for building a positive work environment, providing employee recognition for accomplishments and hard work throughout the year and assist in maintaining company morale. Continued recognition and employee appreciation for dedication and hard work increases camaraderie among employees who serve customers and continuously strive to provide safe and reliable service. The Company should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amounts of \$307 and \$4,085<sup>13</sup>, respectively.
- MARKETING These costs are related to public education and communication, advertising at community events, Company communication videos, and other supplies. These costs were incurred to familiarize potential employees with the Company and educate customers on the benefits and use of natural gas. The Company should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$3,669<sup>14</sup>.
- MISCELLANEOUS These costs are related to retiree education, safe digging communications, social media marketing used for recruiting, public communications, and professional development. The Company

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4 See the Excel tab Misc

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4 See the Excel tab Misc

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4. See the Excel tab Misc

should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$11,983<sup>15</sup>.

The Company should be allowed to recover these reasonable expenses in the amount of \$40,881<sup>16</sup>.

- OTHER STATE RATE CASE These costs are related to training for the Corporate Rates and Regulatory group and/or other departments assisting the regulatory group. Participating and/or attending regulatory activities for each of the divisions provides on the job training applicable to each state's regulatory filings and is necessary as it builds employees understanding of the regulatory process. The Company should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$2,765<sup>17</sup>.
- encourage ONE Gas employees' children to achieve high academic standards, to assist children in acquiring higher education at a college or university of their choice or attend a junior college or a technical college that is an accredited institution. The Scholarship Program is a company benefit awarded to selected employees' children; moreover, 66%<sup>18</sup> of the total scholarships granted during the test year were awarded to children of KGS or OGS employees. These costs are related to providing adequate benefits to the Company's employees and encouraging employees to have a vested interest in the success of the Company. Additionally, the Company competes for employees in the broader marketplace where similar benefits are offered. Thus, these are reasonable and necessary costs incurred to attract and retain the employees that will

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4. See the Excel tab Misc

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4. See the Excel tab - MISC Corp Exp KLF-13 and Misc

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4. See the Excel tab - MISC Corp Exp KLF-13 and Other State Rate Cases

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-5

support our business of providing natural gas to our customers safely and reliably. I recommend the Commission allow full recovery of the scholarship expenses of \$35,511<sup>19</sup>. Alternatively, I request at a minimum the Commission allow recovery of 66% of the scholarship expenses in the amount of 22,812<sup>20</sup>.

TRAVEL (including tips and valet) - These costs are related to travel for investor meetings, customer relations, intern launch week, and certain flight fees. Staff also proposed removing travel costs related to tips and valet. Events such as these are important to provide continued training, collaboration or education opportunities and assist with employee morale and a positive work environment. The majority of the tips are for transportation services such as Uber or Lyft. These transportation service expenses are incurred to reduce the cost during travel that employees would incur by renting a car instead. It would be unreasonable to allow KGS and ONE Gas employees to take advantage of ridesharing services, which can offer savings over renting a car when traveling, but not allow KGS or ONE Gas to tip the driver. The Company should be allowed to recover these reasonable expenses in the amount of \$12,12221.

The expenses discussed above are common expenses incurred by other companies and an important part of ONE Gas' goal to encourage employees to collaborate, build camaraderie, travel for training or business purposes or to further obtain education related to their positions. Because the Company competes in the broader marketplace for employees, it must be mindful of the benefits offered by other companies competing for the same employees. Many in the marketplace offer similar benefits. The vast majority of our employees have transferable skills, meaning they can go work in the broader energy

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> CONFIDENTIAL Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4. See the Excel tab - MISC Corp Exp KLF-13 and Tips, Travel, Valet

- industry or a completely unrelated industry. These are reasonable and necessary costs incurred to attract, retain, and support the employees that support the Company's business of providing natural gas to our customers safely and reliably. The Company should be allowed to recover its reasonable expenses in the amount of \$166,306<sup>22</sup>.
- 5 V. <u>Conclusion</u>
- 6 Q. Does this conclude your testimony.
- 7 A. Yes, it does.

<sup>22</sup> Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-4. See the Excel tab - MISC Corp Exp KLF-13

#### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF KANSAS	)
	) ss
COUNTY OF JOHNSON	)

Keara J. Downum, being duly sworn upon her oath, deposes and states that she is the Rates Analyst II for ONE Gas, Inc.; that she has read and is familiar with the foregoing Rebuttal Testimony filed herewith; and that the statements made therein are true to the best of her knowledge, information, and belief.

Kewa & Downum

Keara J. Downum

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of July 2024.

# 22013322 PUBLIC NOTARY PUBLIC NOTARY PUBLIC

My appointment Expires:

09/30/24

Docket No. 24-KGSG-610-RTS Exhibit KLF-5

# Kansas Gas Service Staff Adjustment to Incentive Compensation Income Statement Adjustment No. 8 Test Year Ended September 30, 2023

Line			5	Staff Total
No.	Description		A	djustment
1	To remove 70% of Costs Related to Short-Term Incentive		\$	(938,017)
2	To remove 50% of Costs Related to Officer Portion of Long-Term Incentive - Restricted Stock	[		(192,758)
3	To remove 100% of Costs Related to Officer Portion of Long-Term Incentive - Performance			(542,838)
4	Staff Total Adjustment to Incentive Compensation		\$	(1,673,613)
				Staff Total
Line		Account	Ad	ljustment by FERC
No.		No.	A	ccount No.
5		408.1	\$	(49,418)
6		920	Ψ	(321,404)
7		930.2		(1,302,791)
8	Staff Total Adjustment to Incentive Compensation		\$	(1,673,613)

Sources: Exhibit KLF-5(a) - CONFIDENTIAL Exhibit KLF-5(b) - CONFIDENTIAL

PUBLIC REDACTED Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-2

Kansas Gas Service A Division of ONE Gas PUBLIC REDACTED Rebuttal Exhibit KJD-3 Data Request 24-610 KCC-067 Attachment B Page 1 of 1

Account No.		Description	Test Year Per Book Amount			
1	9302120	A&G Misc Employee Moving - KGS	\$	241,577		
2	9302120	A&G Misc Employee Moving - Corporate		57,416		
		Total	\$	298,993		

#### Kansas Gas Service Staff Adjustment to Miscellaneous Corporate Expense Income Statement Adjustment No. 21 Test Year Ended September 30, 2023

		Staff Proposed	Company Adjustment	Staff Proposed	Staff Proposed	Staff Proposed	Company Adjustment	Staff Proposed	Company Adjustment	Staff Proposed	Staff Proposed	Staff Proposed	Staff Proposed	Company Adjustment	Staff Proposed	Company Adjustment		
Line	FERC						Meals -		Company	Other State				Company			Total expense	Company's
No.	Account	Entertainment	Entertainment	Flowers	Logo Items	Meals	Alcohol	Misc	Adjustment	Rate Case	Scholarships	Tips	Travel	Adjustment	Valet	Adjustment	removed	Total
1	8530					(81.35)											(81.35)	-
2	8560			(24.70)		(223.70)	(204.55)	(271.00)				(0.24)	(24.00)				(223.70)	(204.55)
3	8700			(34.76)	1	(1,563.98)	(304.55)	(271.96)				(9.34)	(24.00)				(1,904.03)	(304.55)
4	8740					(126.96)		(202.75)					(51.70)				(126.96)	-
3	8780					(432.01)		(203.75)					(51.70)				(687.46)	-
7	8800 8870					(861.11)		(48.72)									(909.83)	-
,						(46.54)							(42.12)				(46.54)	-
8	9010 9030					(73.16)		(44.00)					(43.12)				(116.28)	-
10				(10.07)		(102.64)		(44.88)					(19.82)				(167.34)	-
10	9050	(1.05)		(10.97)		(168.68)	(512.05)	(211.45)				(5.45)	(205.50)				(391.11)	(512.05)
11	9080	(1.95)			(4,187.75)	(3,588.49)	(513.95)					(5.45)	(305.69)				(8,904.15)	(513.95)
12	9090							(55.55)									(55.55)	-
13	9130	(2.277.02)	(70.00)	(02.4.07)	(5.040.67)	(51.426.54)	(2.701.20)	(127.03)	(50.51)	(1.220.10)		(200.25)	(0.125.07)		(27/4 02)		(127.03)	(2.021.70)
14	9210	(3,377.83)	(79.89)	(934.07)	(5,040.67)	(51,426.54)	(3,701.36)	(14,349.45)	(50.51)	(1,338.16)		(289.25)	(8,135.07)		(376.82)	)	(85,267.86)	(3,831.76)
15	9230			(4.27)	(2.025.70)	(2.101.70)		(10,919.80)		(1,426.77)	(25.510.60)		(2.020.02)				(12,346.57)	-
16	9260	(110.01)		(4.37)		(2,101.76)		(2,831.27)			(35,510.60)		(2,830.02)				(45,303.79)	-
17	9302	(118.81)		(37.29)	(1,748.63)	(1,306.56)		(11,053.05)				(15.76)	(16.23)				(14,296.32)	-
		\$ (3,499)	\$ (80)	\$ (1,021)	\$ (13,003)	\$ (62,103)	\$ (4,520)	\$ (40,932)	\$ (51)	\$ (2,765)	\$ (35,511)	\$ (320)	\$ (11,426)	s -	\$ (377	. •	\$ (170,956)	\$ (4,650)
	C	\$ (3,499)				\$ (02,103)	\$ 57,584	3 (40,932)						<b>3</b> -	\$ 377	) 5 -	\$ 166,306 T	
	Company		\$ 3,419	\$ 1,021	\$ 13,003		3 37,384		\$ 40,881	\$ 2,765	\$ 35,511	\$ 320	\$ 11,426		\$ 3//			
																	4,650 A	
																	\$ 1/0,956 C	Check to Staff

Sources: KGS Response to Staff Data Request No. 283 - CONFIDENTIAL Exhibits KLF-13 through KLF-13(j) CONFIDENTIAL

	(00)
Flowers	-
Logos	-
Meals - Alcohol	(4,520)
subtotal	(4,600)
Break Room Supplies	
Donation	-
Gifts	-
Décor	-
Celebrations	-
Fees	(51)
Marketing	-
Misc	0
Other State Rate C	0
Scholarship	0
Tips	0
Travel	
Valet	
subtotal	(51)
Other State Rate Case	
Scholoarship	
Tips	
Travel	
Valet	
subtotal	-
Total	(4,650)
Staff Adj	170,957

Company Adj

(80)

Entertainment

#### KANSAS GAS SERVICE, A DIVISION OF ONE GAS, INC.

#### 24-KGSG-610-RTS

Staff Adjustment IS-21, Miscellaneous Corporate Charges (Scholarships

FERC Clearing					Division Distrigas	Corporate Adjusted Test Year	Distrigas Allocated	Company's Proposed Distragas	Company's Allocated	KCC's		
Account Year Month	Account Description	Vendor Name	Business Entity	Line Description	Allocation %	(Gross)	Per Book	Percentage	Amount	Exclusion	Adjustment	Category
9302 2023 4												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7 9302 2023 7												Scholarship Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7 9302 2023 7												Scholarship Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7 9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7 9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7 9302 2023 7												Scholarship Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7												Scholarship
9302 2023 7 9302 2023 7												Scholarship Scholarship
9302 2023 /												Scholarship
9302 2023 8												Scholarship
9302 2023 8												Scholarship
				•	Γotal	116,500.00	35,510.60	1	34,740.30		34,740.30	,
						- /			- ,		- , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	

Business		
Entities	Unallocated Total	% of Total Scholarship
KGS	30,000.00	25.75%
OGS	46,500.00	39.91%
ONG	22,000.00	18.88%
TGS	18,000.00	15.45%
Total	116,500.00	100.00%

KGS and Corporate Total
65.67% 22,812.30

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Robert Elliott Vincent, hereby certify that a copy of the above and foregoing *Rebuttal Testimony* was served via electronic service this 22nd day of July, 2024, addressed to:

JAMES G. FLAHERTY, ATTORNEY ANDERSON & BYRD, L.L.P. 216 S HICKORY PO BOX 17 OTTAWA, KS 66067 jflaherty@andersonbyrd.com

JEFF AUSTIN AUSTIN LAW P.A. 7111 W. 151st ST. SUITE 315 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66223 jeff@austinlawpa.com

JOSEPH R. ASTRAB, ATTORNEY CITIZENS' UTILITY RATEPAYER BOARD 1500 SW ARROWHEAD RD TOPEKA, KS 66604 Joseph.Astrab@ks.gov

TODD E. LOVE, ATTORNEY CITIZENS' UTILITY RATEPAYER BOARD 1500 SW ARROWHEAD RD TOPEKA, KS 66604 Todd.Love@ks.gov

DAVID W. NICKEL, CONSUMER COUNSEL CITIZENS' UTILITY RATEPAYER BOARD 1500 SW ARROWHEAD RD TOPEKA, KS 66604 David.Nickel@ks.gov

SHONDA RABB CITIZENS' UTILITY RATEPAYER BOARD 1500 SW ARROWHEAD RD TOPEKA, KS 66604 Shonda.Rabb@ks.gov DELLA SMITH
CITIZENS' UTILITY RATEPAYER BOARD
1500 SW ARROWHEAD RD
TOPEKA, KS 66604
Della.Smith@ks.gov

ALEX GOLDBERG, ATTORNEY EVERSHEDS SUTHERLAND (US) LLP 1196 S MONROE STREET DENVER, CO 80210 alexgoldberg@eversheds-sutherland.us

ABIGAIL EMERY, PARALEGAL & GRANT SPECIALIST KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION 1500 SW ARROWHEAD RD TOPEKA, KS 66604 Abigail.Emery@ks.gov

BRIAN G. FEDOTIN, GENERAL COUNSEL KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION 1500 SW ARROWHEAD RD TOPEKA, KS 66604 Brian.Fedotin@ks.gov

CARLY MASENTHIN, LITIGATION COUNSEL KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION 1500 SW ARROWHEAD RD TOPEKA, KS 66604 Carly.Masenthin@ks.gov

KYLER C. WINEINGER, LITIGATION COUNSEL KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION 1500 SW ARROWHEAD RD TOPEKA, KS 66604 Kyler.Wineinger@ks.gov

JANET BUCHANAN, DIRECTOR OF RATES & REGULATORY KANSAS GAS SERVICE, A DIVISION OF ONE GAS, INC. 7421 W 129TH STREET OVERLAND PARK, KS 66213 janet.buchanan@onegas.com

LORNA EATON, MANAGER OF RATES AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS KANSAS GAS SERVICE, A DIVISION OF ONE GAS, INC. 7421 W 129TH STREET OVERLAND PARK, KS 66213 lorna.eaton@onegas.com

ROBERT E. VINCENT, MANAGING ATTORNEY KANSAS GAS SERVICE, A DIVISION OF ONE GAS, INC. 7421 W. 129TH STREET OVERLAND PARK, KS 66213 robert.vincent@onegas.com

DON KRATTENMAKER, Vice President WOODRIVER ENERGY, LLC 633 17th STREET, STE. 1410 DENVER, CO 80202 don.krattenmaker@woodriverenergy.com

/s/ Robert Elliott Vincent
Robert Elliott Vincent KS Bar No. 26028
Managing Attorney
Kansas Gas Service
A Division of ONE Gas, Inc.
7421 West 129th Street
Overland Park, Kansas 66213-5957

Phone: (913) 319-8615 Fax: (913) 319-8622

Email: robert.vincent@onegas.com