

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

Before Commissioners: Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair
 Jay Scott Emler
 Pat Apple

In the Matter of the Application of American)
Energies Gas Service, LLC, to Change its) Docket No. 15-AEGG-158-RTS
Rates for Natural Gas Service and for)
Approval of its New Agreements with)
American Energies Pipeline, LLC.

ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed the files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds:

I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. On October 2, 2014, American Energies Gas Service, LLC (AEGS) initiated this proceeding by filing an Application to make changes to its charges for natural gas service pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117 and K.A.R. 82-1-231b. K.A.R. 82-1-231b applies to natural gas utilities which are not Class A utilities (defined as utilities whose gross annual income is less than \$1 million). AEGS's gross annual income for the test year (12-month period ending December 31, 2013) was \$370,845. AEGS also requested approval of its new agreements with American Energies Pipeline, LLC (AEPL). On October 28, 2014, AEGS filed an amended application. AEGS stated it is a natural gas public utility operating in the State of Kansas pursuant to certificates of convenience and necessity issued by the Commission. AEGS's principal place of business within Kansas is located at 136 N. Main Street, Canton, Kansas 67428. AEGS stated it provides natural

gas service to 165 residential customers, 48 commercial and irrigation customers in Harvey, McPherson and Marion Counties, Kansas, and provides wholesale gas transportation service to the Cities of Hesston and Moundridge, Kansas.

2. On October 7, 2014, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB) filed a Petition to Intervene. On October 14, 2014, the Commission issued an Order granting CURB's intervention and issued a discovery order, protective order and order designating a prehearing officer.

3. On December 15, 2014, the Parties filed a Joint Motion proposing a procedural schedule setting deadlines under the procedures set forth in K.A.R. 82-1-231b.

II. PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

4. The Commission finds the bifurcated procedural schedule following the procedures outlined in K.A.R. 82-1-231b recommended by the Parties to be reasonable. The Commission adopts the following bifurcated procedural schedule:

A. If no hearing is requested by AEGS in response to Staff's Report and Recommendation, then the following schedule shall be followed:

Date	Time	Action
November 17, 2014	3:00 p.m.	AEGS files affidavit of mailing of public meeting and public comment period*
November 20, 2014	7:00 p.m.	Public Meeting*
February 5, 2015	3:00 p.m.	Staff files Report and Recommendation
February 16, 2015	3:00 p.m.	AEGS and Intervenors file Response to Staff Report and Recommendation
March 16, 2015		Commission issues Interim Order placing new rates in place subject to refund

On or before March 26, 2015		AEGS mails notice of interim rates and 90-day public comment period to customers
July 1, 2015		PACP Report of Public Comment
July 15, 2015		Commission's Order to make interim rates permanent or set matter for prehearing and hearing due

*This has already been completed.

B. If a hearing is requested by AEGS in response to Staff's Report and Recommendation, then the following schedule shall be followed:

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April 1, 2015	9:00 a.m.	Settlement Conference
May 11, 2015	3:00 p.m.	Simultaneous Testimony
May 15, 2015	1:30 p.m.	Prehearing Conference
May 20, 2015	9:30 a.m.	Evidentiary Hearing
June 15, 2015	3:00 p.m.	Simultaneous Briefs
July 15, 2015		Final Order due

*This has already been completed.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. The Commission adopts the procedural schedule set forth above in paragraph 4.

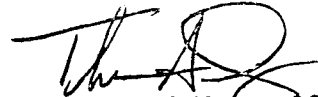
B. Based upon the consent of AEGS, the 240-day statutory deadline of June 1, 2015, shall be changed to July 15, 2015.

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

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: DEC 23 2014



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Thomas A. Day
Acting Executive Director

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PLEASE FORWARD THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT (S) ISSUED IN THE ABOVE-REFERENCED DOCKET TO THE FOLLOWING:

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The Docket Room hereby certified that on this _____ day of _____, 20____, it caused a true and correct copy of the attached ORDER to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the above persons.