

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its Office in
Jefferson City on the 21st day of
November, 2022.

In the Matter of Liberty Utilities (Midstates)
Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty's Purchased) **File No. GR-2023-0128**
Gas Adjustment Tariff Filing) Tariff No. YG-2023-0089

ORDER APPROVING PGA TARIFF

Issue Date: November 21, 2022

Effective Date: December 4, 2022

On November 4, 2022,¹ Liberty Utilities (Midstates Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty (Liberty Midstates) filed a proposed tariff sheet to reflect changes in its Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factor as a result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas. The tariff sheet bears an effective date of December 4.

On November 7, the Commission directed that no later than November 14 the Staff of the Commission (Staff) file a recommendation and that any other party wishing to do so file a response to Staff's recommendation or to the tariff sheet by November 16. Staff filed a recommendation on November 14. No other party filed a response.

Liberty Midstates' proposed PGA tariff will have the following effects on its PGA rates:

| Gas Service Area | Current Total PGA | New Total PGA | Difference |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Kirksville | | | |
| Firm | \$0.38409 | \$1.27188 | +\$0.88779 |
| Interruptible | \$0.09601 | \$0.70330 | +\$0.60729 |

¹ All dates are in 2022 unless otherwise indicated.

| Gas Service Area | Current Total PGA | New Total PGA | Difference |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Northeast Mo. | | | |
| Firm | \$0.59928 | \$0.97910 | +\$0.37982 |
| Interruptible | \$0.41138 | \$0.83719 | +\$0.42581 |
| Southeast Mo. | | | |
| Firm | \$0.64267 | \$0.94475 | +\$0.30208 |
| Interruptible | \$0.48917 | \$0.67646 | +\$0.18729 |
| Western Mo. | | | |
| Firm | \$0.71708 | \$1.27897 | +\$0.56189 |
| Interruptible | \$0.65999 | \$1.21493 | +\$0.55494 |

In its recommendation, Staff explained that this file was established to track Liberty Midstates’ PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2021-2022 ACA filing. Staff recommends the proposed rate changes be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in File Nos. GR-2023-0128 and GR-2022-0128. Staff also asked the Commission to order it to file the results of its 2021-2022 ACA review in this case no later than December 15, 2023.

Staff’s recommendation also addresses Liberty Midstates’ request to extend the recovery period for its Western Missouri service area relating to extraordinary costs stemming from Winter Storm Uri. Liberty Midstates also seeks a carrying charge of 7.4 percent to be applied to the PGA. Staff recommends those requests be considered along with all other issues in the ACA review.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheet and Staff’s recommendation. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheet conforms to Liberty

Midstates' Commission-approved PGA tariff. The Commission concludes the proposed tariff sheet should be approved to become effective on December 4, 2022, on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decision in this file and File No. GR-2022-0128. The Commission will consider the carrying charge and extended recovery for Winter Storm Uri costs as part of the ACA review. Further, the Commission will direct its Staff to file the results of its ACA review in this case no later than December 15, 2023.

The Commission finds it reasonable for this order to be effective in less than thirty days so that the order will be effective at the same time as the tariff.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The tariff sheet assigned Tracking No. YG-2023-0089, is approved on an interim basis and subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in this file and in File No. GR-2022-0128. The tariff sheet approved is:

P.S.C. MO No. 2

29th Revised Sheet No. 44, Cancelling 28th Revised Sheet No. 44

2. On or before December 15, 2023, Staff's Procurement Analysis Department shall submit the results of its ACA review of the changes included in Liberty Midstates' November 4, 2022, filing.

3. This order shall become effective on December 4, 2022.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Rupp, Coleman, Holsman, and
Kolkmeier CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 21st day of November, 2022.





Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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