

## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 6th day of January, 1998.

In the Matter of Associated Natural	)	
Gas Company's Tariff Revision	)	
Designed to Increase Rates for Gas	)	Case No. GR-97-272
Service to Customers in the Missouri	)	
Service Area of the Company.	)	

## ORDER APPROVING TARIFF SHEETS IN COMPLIANCE WITH COMMISSION ORDER

On December 3, 1997, the Commission issued a Report and Order regarding the tariff revision submitted by Associated Natural Gas Company, a division of Arkansas Western Gas Company (ANG or Company), designed to increase rates for gas service to customers in the Missouri service area of the Company. On December 12 the Company filed an Application for Rehearing and Motion for Stay, and Noranda Aluminum, Inc. (Noranda) filed a Motion for Rehearing and/or Reconsideration. On December 16 the Company filed tariff sheets designed to be in compliance with the Commission's Report and Order along with a Motion for Expedited Treatment. The tariff sheets bear an effective date of January 15, 1998; however, ANG stated in its Motion for Expedited Treatment that it stands ready, in the event of expedited review, to submit a set of tariff sheets with a different effective date on them. On December 24 the Company filed substitute tariff sheets designed to further comply with the Report and Order.

On December 31 the Commission issued its Order Denying Applications for Rehearing and Reconsideration, Granting Motion for Stay, and Granting Motion for Expedited Treatment. The order directed the Staff

of the Commission (Staff) to file a memorandum in the case file with its recommendation no later than January 5, 1998. The Commission's order granted the Motion for Stay and thereby stayed until August 1, 1998, the following two items: (1) the implementation of the unauthorized use charges and tariffs regarding the elimination of sales and back-up sales service to transportation customers; and (2) the requirement to install Electronic Gas Measurement (EGM) equipment for transportation customers as set forth in the Commission's Report and Order.

On December 31 Staff filed a memorandum in the official case file which indicated that the tariff sheets filed by ANG as substituted were in compliance with the Commission's order. Staff recommended that the Commission issue an order approving the tariff sheets as soon as practical. Staff indicated that it supports the language contained on tariff sheet number 15L which provides for a transition period for the implementation of the new transportation provisions proposed by Staff. The language of tariff sheet number 15L provides that until April 1, 1998, transportation will be provided pursuant to the old transportation provisions.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheets filed by ANG and the Staff's memorandum. The Commission finds that the tariff sheets filed by ANG on December 16, as substituted on December 24, are in compliance with the Commission's Report and Order and should be approved effective January 10. ANG is authorized to submit tariff sheets identical to those approved in this order no later than January 8 bearing an effective date of January 10. The two days between January 8 and 10 will allow Staff the opportunity to review the tariff sheets to ensure that they are identical to ones already submitted except for the effective date. The Commission notes that if the Company wishes to file tariff sheets reflecting the stay granted on December 31, then the Company should do so well in advance of

the transition date of April 1, 1998, which is specified on tariff sheet number 15 L.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the following tariff sheets filed by Associated Natural Gas Company, a division of Arkansas Western Gas Company on December 16, 1997, as substituted on December 24, 1997, are approved and shall become effective for service rendered on and after January 10, 1998:

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    REVISED SHEET No. 4 CANCELLING 3rd REVISED SHEET No. 4
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    REVISED SHEET No. 5A CANCELLING ORIGINAL SHEET No. 5A
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2. That this order shall become effective on January 10, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION

Hole Hard Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray, and Drainer, CC., concur.

G. George, Regulatory Law Judge