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STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 9th
day of September, 1998.

In the Matter of Fidelity Natural Gas)	
Company, Inc.'s Tariff Revisions to)	
Reviewed in Company's 1996-1997 Actual)	<u>Case No. GR-98-164</u>
Cost Adjustment.)	

ORDER ESTABLISHING ACA BALANCE AND CLOSING CASE

This case was opened for the purpose of receiving the 1996-97 purchased gas adjustment filings and actual cost adjustment filing of Fidelity Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Fidelity). On July 31, 1998, the Procurement Analysis Department of the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum indicating that Staff has reviewed the 1996-1997 actual cost adjustment (ACA) filing of Fidelity. Staff stated that it audited the billed revenues and actual gas costs for the period of September 1996 to August 1997. Staff states that the Company's ACA filing resulted in no adjustment to the Company's ACA balance. Staff also states that Fidelity's ACA balance in the 1996-1997 ACA filing is \$10,613 under recovery. Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order requiring Fidelity to file a response to Staff's recommendations within 30 days and that the Commission close this case.


On August 14 the Company filed a response to the Staff memorandum and indicated that the Company concurs with Staff's recommendation. Further, Fidelity urged the Commission to issue an order approving the actual cost adjustment and accept the interim rates on a permanent basis.

The Commission has reviewed the memorandum filed by Staff, the response filed by the Company and the entirety of the file. The Commission determines that the ending balances shown on Staff's recommendation are reasonable and should be approved. The Commission further determines that this case should be closed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Fidelity Natural Gas shall establish an Actual Cost Adjustment balance in its next Actual Cost Adjustment filing to reflect a \$10,613 under recovery balance.
2. That this case shall be closed on September 23, 1998.
3. That this order shall become effective on September 22, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

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

Register, Regulatory Law Judge

