

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Liberty Utilities (Midstates)
Natural Gas) Corp d/b/a Liberty's) **File No. GR-2025-0138**
Purchased Gas Adjustment Tariff Filing) Tracking No. JG-2025-0073

ORDER APPROVING PGA TARIFF

Issue Date: November 20, 2024

Effective Date: December 1, 2024

On November 4, 2024,¹ Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp d/b/a Liberty filed tariff sheets to reflect changes in the company's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as the result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas for the upcoming winter season and changes in the Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) factors. The tariff sheets were assigned Tracking No. JG-2025-0064, and had an effective date of December 1.

On November 5, Liberty withdrew Tracking No. JG-2025-0064² and filed a tariff sheet assigned Tracking No. JG-2025-0065. The tariff sheet had an effective date of December 1.

On November 8, 2024, Liberty withdrew Tracking No. JG-2025-0065, and submitted a substitute tariff sheet assigned Tracking No. JG-2025-0073. The tariff sheet was substituted due to an error noted by the Staff of the Public Service Commission (Staff). The tariff sheet has an effective date of December 1. Tracking No. JG-2025-0073 is the only tariff sheet under consideration in this order.

¹ All dates refer to 2024 unless otherwise indicated.

² The tariff sheets were withdrawn as they were inadvertently submitted in the name of an affiliate natural gas distribution company.

The Commission directed a recommendation and other responses to Liberty's proposed tariff sheet be filed no later than November 14. Staff filed its Recommendation with attached Memorandum on November 14. No other responses were filed.

As presented in Staff's Memorandum, the proposed tariff sheet will decrease PGA rates as follows:

West service area: The effect of these changes will decrease the firm PGA rate from the current \$0.86923 per Ccf³ to \$0.40152 per Ccf.

Kirksville service area: The effect of these changes will decrease the firm PGA rate from the current \$0.54489 per Ccf to \$0.40228 per Ccf.

Northeast service area: The effect of these changes will decrease the firm PGA rate from the current \$0.54904 per Ccf to \$0.07037 per Ccf.

Southeast service area: The effect of these changes will decrease the firm PGA rate from the current \$0.48712 per Ccf to \$0.36170 per Ccf.

Staff stated that File No. GR-2025-0138, the present case, was established to track Liberty's PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2023-2024 ACA filing. File No. GR-2023-0253 was established to track Liberty's PGA factors to be reviewed for the 2022-2023 ACA period. And File No. GR-2023-0128 was established to track Liberty's PGA factors to be reviewed for the 2021-2022 ACA period. Staff recommended the rate changes proposed in the present case should be made on an interim basis, subject to refund, and pending final Commission decisions in ACA File Nos. GR-2025-0138, GR-2023-0253, and GR-2023-0128. Staff also requested to file the results and recommendations regarding the information included in this ACA filing no later than December 15, 2025.

³ Ccf is a volume measurement of natural gas and equals 100 cubic feet of natural gas.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheets and Staff's verified recommendation. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheets conform to Liberty's Commission-approved PGA tariff. In addition, because Liberty's PGA clause allows for PGA change filings to take effect after ten business days, good cause has been shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo (2016), to permit the tariff to become effective on less than 30-days' notice. The Commission concludes the proposed tariff sheets should be approved to become effective on December 1, on an interim basis, subject to refund, and pending final Commission decision in this file and File Nos. GR-2023-0253 and GR-2023-0128. For the same reasons that the tariff sheets will take effect in less than 30 days, the Commission finds it reasonable for this order to become effective in less than 30 days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The tariff sheet assigned Tracking No. JG-2025-0073 is approved on an interim basis and subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in this file, File No. GR-2023-0253 and in File No. GR-2023-0128. The tariff sheet, which is approved to become effective on December 1, 2024, is as follows:

P.S.C. MO No. 2

32nd Revised Sheet No. 44, Cancelling 31st Revised Sheet No. 44

2. On or before December 15, 2025, Staff's Procurement Analysis Department shall submit the results and recommendations of its ACA review.

3. This order shall become effective on December 1, 2024.



BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 20th day of November, 2024.

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 20th day of November 2024.



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Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

Sincerely,



**Nancy Dippell
Secretary**

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