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February 8, 1993

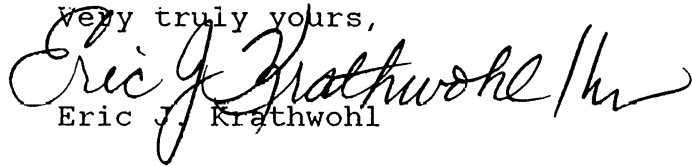
Joseph E. Connarton
City Clerk
Cambridge City Hall
Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Re: Commonwealth Gas Company, D.P.U. 92-272

Dear Joseph E. Connarton:

Pursuant to the enclosed Order of Notice, on behalf of Commonwealth Gas Company ("Company") we provide you with a copy of an Order of Notice issued by the Department of Public Utilities ("DPU") with respect to the Company's request for approval of the their proposed new Firm Transportation Rate - Proposed Rate T-1, M.D.P.U. No. 231. The Company has also proposed that the current Rate T-1 become a closed rate, M.D.P.U. 230, not available to new transportation customers. A public hearing is to be held on Tuesday, March 2, 1993 at 10:00 a.m., at the DPU hearing room, 1210 Leverett Saltonstall Building, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Eric J. Krathwohl

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Enclosure



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

February 2, 1993

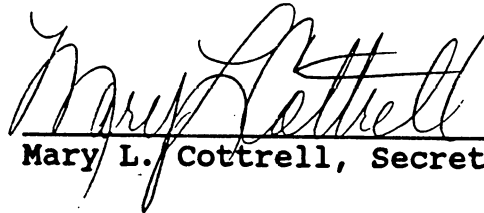
D.P.U. 92-272

COMMONWEALTH GAS COMPANY

In compliance with D.P.U. 1364/1717 dated May 3, 1985, Commonwealth Gas Company is required to publish the attached legal notice in an one-eighth page ad in the Boston Herald, the Worcester Gazette, the New Bedford Standard Times, and the Middlesex News (Framingham), once at least twenty-one (21) days and once again seven (7) days prior to March 2, 1993.

Commonwealth Gas Company is required to give notice of this proceeding on the Chairmen of the Boards of Selectmen, Town Clerks, Mayors, and City Clerks on the attached list; the parties in the prior rate case, D.P.U. 91-60, and also to make return of service and publication at the time of the hearing.

By Order of the Department,


Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

LEGAL NOTICE

February 2, 1993

COMMONWEALTH GAS COMPANY

D.P.U. 92-272

Commonwealth Gas Company ("ComGas") has filed for approval with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") a proposed new Firm Transportation Rate - Proposed Rate T-1, M.D.P.U. No. 231. ComGas has also proposed that the current Rate T-1 become a closed Rate, M.D.P.U. No. 230, not available to new transportation customers. ComGas has filed both the proposed new T-1 and closed T-1 rates as alternate options to cancel and supersede current Rate T-1. The investigation has been docketed as D.P.U. 92-272.

The investigation is officially captioned: "Investigation by the Department on its own motion as to the propriety of the rates and charges set forth in the following tariffs: M.D.P.U. Nos. 230 and 231, filed with the Department on December 17, 1992 to become effective January 1, 1993 by Commonwealth Gas Company."

The Department has suspended the rates until July 1, 1993 in order to investigate the propriety of the changes sought. Pending a Department order on the proposed changes, which may include revisions to the terms and conditions of transportation service, any current customers will continue to be charged at the current T-1 Rate. However, the Department may rule on the Company's request to close current Rate T-1 prior to issuing a final order on the proposed new Rate T-1.

Upon the foregoing investigation, the Department will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 2, 1993 in its hearing room, #1210 Leverett Saltonstall Building, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, Massachusetts at 10:00 A.M. Pre-hearing conference to follow this hearing.

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Consent Communications #17

Notice of public hearing
Department of Utilities

S-82

In City Council,

February 22, 1993

*Referred to the
City Manager
Copy sent to City Mgr
2/23/93 (cc)*