

**ORDER NO. 88856**

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTINUING  
 INVESTIGATION OF THE PURCHASED  
 GAS ADJUSTMENT CHARGES OF PPL  
 GAS UTILITIES CORPORATION (F/K/A  
 SOUTH PENN GAS COMPANY)

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BEFORE THE  
 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
 OF MARYLAND

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 CASE NO. 9511

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTINUING  
 INVESTIGATION OF THE PURCHASED  
 GAS ADJUSTMENT CHARGES OF UGI  
 UTILITIES, INC.

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 CASE NO. 9516

**Issue Date: October 2, 2018**

On October 1, 2018, UGI Utilities, Inc. (“UGI” or “Company”) filed with the Maryland Public Service Commission (“Commission”) notification that the merger of UGI Central Penn Gas, Inc. (“Former UGI Company”) with its parent company, UGI, became effective on October 1, 2018.<sup>1</sup> Section 4-402(d) of the Public Utilities Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, provides that the Commission shall conduct, at least once every 12 months, a public evidentiary hearing on any changes in fuel costs that a gas company directly passes on to its customers. The annual public hearing proceedings for the Former UGI Company was conducted pursuant to Case No. 9511. As a result of the merger, the Commission determines that the docket for Case No. 9511 is hereby closed.

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<sup>1</sup> See ML# 222347. The Commission approved the merger at its July 25, 2018 Administrative Meeting. See ML## 219404 and 220154.

The Commission has determined that a proceeding is required to be instituted to investigate changes in the fuel costs that UGI directly passes on to its customers. Accordingly, the Commission hereby initiates a new docket, Case No. 9516, for the purpose of the annual continuing investigation of purchased gas adjustment charges.

**IT IS, THEREFORE,** this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October in the year Two Thousand Eighteen, by the Public Service Commission of Maryland,

**ORDERED:** (1) That the docket for Case No. 9511 is hereby closed;

(2) That a new docket, Case No. 9516, is hereby initiated for the conduct of the annual continuing investigation of purchased gas adjustment charges;

(3) That the hearings in Case No. 9516 are delegated to the Public Utility Law Judge Division, and shall be held on an annual basis after proper notice which shall include the time, date, and location of the hearings; and

(4) That the first hearing on the changes in costs of the purchased gas adjustment shall be scheduled and held prior to January 1, 2019, and the subsequent hearings thereafter in each succeeding year shall be scheduled and held at the direction of the assigned Public Utility Law Judge until further order of the Commission.

By Direction of the Commission,

*/s/ Terry J. Romine*

Terry J. Romine  
Executive Secretary