

**Delaware Public Service Commission**  
**2007 Commission Orders (by date signed)**  
**Utility Service: NATURAL GAS**

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**Date Signed:** December 4, 2007

**7325**                    **PSC Docket No. 07-186**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR AN INCREASE IN ITS NATURAL GAS RATES AND SERVICES, AND FOR APPROVAL OF CERTAIN OTHER CHANGES TO ITS NATURAL GAS TARIFF (FILED JULY 6,

*Order Summary: Memorializes the November 6, 2007 Commission vote to allow intervention by the Delaware Association of Alternative Energy Providers ("DAAEP") without charge to DAAEP of the costs incurred by Chesapeake Utilities Corporation as a result of its participation.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7325.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7325.pdf)

**Date Signed:** November 20, 2007

**7317**                    **PSC Docket No. 07-299**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A CHANGE IN ITS ENVIRONMENTAL RIDER RATE TO BE EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2007 (FILED NOVEMBER 1, 2007).

*Order Summary: Approving and permitting on a temporary basis only, subject to refund, the tariff filing establishing a new Environmental Rider Rate of \$0.0053 per Ccf (an increase in the credit of \$0.0031 per Ccf from the prior credit of \$0.0022 per Ccf) effective for service rendered on and after December 1, 2007; setting newspaper notice of the filing and the evidentiary hearing date of February 5, 2008; and designating Ruth Ann Price as the Hearing Examiner.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7317.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7317.pdf)

**Date Signed:** November 6, 2007

**7310**                    **PSC Docket No. 07-186**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR AN INCREASE IN ITS NATURAL GAS RATES AND SERVICES, AND FOR APPROVAL OF CERTAIN OTHER CHANGES TO ITS NATURAL GAS TARIFF (FILED JULY 6,

*Order Summary: Substituting Ruth Ann Price for the Hearing Examiner in place of Gary A. Myers.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7310.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7310.pdf)

**Date Signed:** October 2, 2007

**7302**                    **PSC Docket No. 07-246F**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A CHANGE IN ITS GAS SALES SERVICES RATES ("GSR") TO BE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2007 (FILED SEPTEMBER 10, 2007).

*Order Summary: Allows modifications to Chesapeake Utilities Corporation's Gas Sales Service Rates ("GSR") for natural gas usage effective November 1, 2007 on a temporary basis, subject to refund, pending public evidentiary hearings and granting a waiver of Chesapeake's tariff requirement which mandates an annual GSR filing to be made sixty days prior to November 1st of each year (Chesapeake filed its application on September 10, 2007 instead of on or before September 1, 2007).*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7302.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7302.pdf)

**Date Signed:** September 18, 2007

**7285**                    **PSC Docket No. 07-239F**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF MODIFICATIONS TO ITS GAS COST RATES (FILED AUGUST 31, 2007).

*Order Summary: The proposed changes to Delmarva Power & Light Company's Gas Cost Service rates, and accompanying tariff revision are allowed to go into effect for gas usage on and after November 1, 2007, with proration, subject to refund, pending a final decision of the Commission. Also, the Order sets newspaper publication of the filing of the proposed rate changes and designates a Hearing Examiner and Rate Counsel.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7285.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7285.pdf)

**Date Signed:** August 21, 2007

**7256**                    **PSC Docket No. 05-322**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE RATE DESIGN AND RATE STRUCTURE IN EASTERN SUSSEX COUNTY, DELAWARE (FILED SEPTEMBER 2, 2005)

*Order Summary: Approving the filing by Chesapeake Utilities Corporation filed on July 12, 2007, requesting to dismiss this docket. As such, this docket is closed.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7256.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7256.pdf)

**7255**                    **PSC Docket No. 07-186**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR AN INCREASE IN ITS NATURAL GAS RATES AND SERVICES, AND FOR APPROVAL OF CERTAIN OTHER CHANGES TO ITS NATURAL GAS TARIFF (FILED JULY 6,

*Order Summary: Allowing Chesapeake Utilities Corporation to place into effect on September 4, 2007 temporary rates, subject to refund; approving the filed Rate Refunding Bond in the principal amount of \$908,123; and waiving the requirement of a surety on such rate refunding bond to further guarantee the repayment of the interim rates collected.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7255.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7255.pdf)

**Date Signed:** July 24, 2007

**7232**                    **PSC Docket No. 07-186**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR AN INCREASE IN ITS NATURAL GAS RATES AND SERVICES, AND FOR APPROVAL OF CERTAIN OTHER CHANGES TO ITS NATURAL GAS TARIFF (FILED JULY 6,

*Order Summary: Suspending the application of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation for a general increase in its natural gas rates and services and revisions to its natural gas tariff, pending further evidentiary hearings and a final decision of the Commission; setting public notice of the proposed rates and tariff revisions; and designating Ruth Ann Price as Hearing Examiner and James McC. Geddes, Esquire, as Rate Counsel;*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7232.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7232.pdf)

**7228**                    **PSC Docket No. 06-287F**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A CHANGE IN ITS GAS SALES SERVICE RATES ("GSR") TO BE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2006 (FILED SEPTEMBER 1, 2006).

*Order Summary: Adopting the July 16, 2007 Findings and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner, approving the Settlement Agreement and the GSR rates as listed in the Order that were effective as of November 1,*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7228.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7228.pdf)

**Date Signed:** March 20, 2007

**7152**                    **PSC Docket No. 06-284**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY FOR A CHANGE IN NATURAL GAS BASE RATES (FILED AUGUST 31, 2006)

*Order Summary: Adopting the Findings and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner concerning Delmarva Power's application for a change in natural gas base rates and approving the parties' proposed Settlement Agreement that reflects a total base rate revenue increase of \$9 million, or approximately 3.9% of total gas revenues, based on an overall rate of return of 7.73% and a return on equity of 10.25%.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7152.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7152.pdf)

**7145**                    **PSC Docket No. 06-283**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY FOR A CHANGE IN THE GAS ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE RIDER RATE (FILED AUGUST 31, 2006).

*Order Summary: Adopting the Findings and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner concerning the application of Delmarva Power for a change in the Gas Environmental Surcharge Rider Rate, approving the parties' proposed Settlement Agreement, and approving an increase in the Gas Environmental Surcharge Rider Rate for the following Rate Schedules: RG, GG, MVG, LVG, GVTF, MVFT, and LVFT.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7145.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7145.pdf)

**Date Signed:** February 27, 2007

**7137**                    **PSC Docket No. 05-322**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE RATE DESIGN AND RATE STRUCTURE IN EASTERN SUSSEX COUNTY, DELAWARE (FILED SEPTEMBER 2, 2005)

*Order Summary: Denying Chesapeake Utilities Corporation's request to implement an Expansion Area Rate effective with usage on and after March 1, 2007 and advising Chesapeake that it may choose in its next base rate filing to include an Expansion Area Rate as part of its overall cost of service study which the Commission will review in the context of Chesapeake's overall rate design.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7137.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7137.pdf)

**Date Signed:** January 23, 2007

**7119**                    **PSC Docket No. 06-364T**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE TARIFF FILING BY CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR A NEW RATE SCHEDULE CALLED TOWN OF MILLSBORO FRANCHISE FEE RIDER ("MBFF") (FILED NOVEMBER 9, 2006).

*Order Summary: Approving the application of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation to revise its tariff in order to implement a "Town of Millsboro Franchise Fee Rider," calculated at \$0.0181 per Ccf of gas delivered to all firm and interruptible Delivery Service customers of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation within the limits of the Town of Millsboro, to be effective on February 1, 2007.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7119.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7119.pdf)

**7118**                    **PSC Docket No. 06-363T**                    IN THE MATTER OF THE TARIFF FILING BY CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR A NEW RATE SCHEDULE CALLED TOWN OF GEORGETOWN FRANCHISE FEE RIDER ("TGFF") (FILED NOVEMBER 9, 2006).

*Order Summary: Approving the application of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation to revise its tariff in order to implement a "Town of Georgetown Franchise Fee Rider," calculated at \$0.010 per Ccf of gas delivered to all firm and interruptible Delivery Service customers of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation within the limits of the Town of Georgetown, to be effective on February 1, 2007.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7118.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7118.pdf)

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**PSC Docket No. 06-355**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A CHANGE IN ITS ENVIRONMENTAL RIDER RATE TO BE EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2006 (FILED NOVEMBER 1, 2006).

*Order Summary: Approving Chesapeake Utilities Corporation's proposed Environmental Rider rate of a credit of \$0.0022 per Ccf, which represents a decrease of \$0.004 per Ccf, effective for services provided on and after December 1, 2006.*

*View Order:* [dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7117.pdf](http://dep.sc.delaware.gov/orders/7117.pdf)