

STATE OF ILLINOIS

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

Illinois Commerce Commission)
On Its Own Motion)
)
vs.) Docket No. 03-0703
)
Northern Illinois Gas Company)
d/b/a Nicor Gas Company)
)
Reconciliation of revenues collected under)
gas adjustment charges with actual costs)
prudently incurred.)

Surrebuttal Testimony of

BOB O. BUCKLES

Manager, Rates
Nicor Gas Company

December 5, 2014

1 **I. INTRODUCTION**

2 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

3 A. Bob O. Buckles, 1844 Ferry Road, Naperville, Illinois 60563-9600.

4 **Q. By whom and in what position are you employed?**

5 A. I am Manager, Rates for Northern Illinois Gas Company d/b/a Nicor Gas Company
6 (“Nicor Gas” or the “Company”).

7 **Q. Are you the same Bob O. Buckles who previously provided direct and rebuttal
8 testimony in this proceeding?**

9 A. Yes.

10 **II. PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY**

11 **Q. What is the purpose of your surrebuttal testimony?**

12 A. The purpose of my surrebuttal testimony is to respond to the rebuttal testimony of Illinois
13 Commerce Commission (“ICC” or “Commission”) Staff (“Staff”) witness, Ms. Mary H.
14 Everson, as presented in Staff Exhibit 3.0.

15 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits with your surrebuttal testimony?**

16 A. Yes. I am sponsoring Nicor Gas Exhibit 9.1 which is a modification of the schedules
17 included in Ms. Everson’s rebuttal testimony as Staff Exhibit 3.0, Schedules 3.01 through
18 3.03.

19 **Q. What modifications have you made to Ms. Everson’s schedules?**

20 A. As discussed in the surrebuttal testimony of Nicor Gas witnesses Timothy S. Sherwood,
21 Christopher G. Gulick and Sherman J. Elliott, the Company is disputing the adjustment

22 proposed by Staff witness Dr. David Rearden as presented in his rebuttal testimony, Staff
23 Exhibit 4.0. Ms. Everson had included Dr. Rearden's proposed adjustment to commodity
24 costs in her schedules. Consequently, I have removed Dr. Rearden's adjustment from
25 Nicor Gas Exhibit 9.1. Specifically, Nicor Gas Exhibit 9.1 page 2 of 3 shows the
26 removal of Dr. Rearden's proposed commodity adjustment in Column (h) and the
27 Company's adjusted Requested Factor O of \$50,351 in Column (i). I have made no other
28 changes to Ms. Everson's schedules as presented in her rebuttal testimony. With the
29 notable exception of Dr. Rearden's adjustment, Nicor Gas accepts Ms. Everson's other
30 adjustments as presented in her rebuttal testimony.

31 **III. CONCLUSION**

32 **Q. Does this conclude your surrebuttal testimony?**

33 A. Yes.