

SUSPENSION OF REQUIREMENTS OF
SECTION 8-407 OF
PHILADELPHIA HOME RULE CHARTER

The Philadelphia Gas Commission has found that good cause exists to adopt, and has adopted regulations and conditions authorizing the institution of a new Limited Service Program by the Philadelphia Gas Works, as more fully set forth in the attached Gas Commission Resolution and Order, adopted September 19, 1983. In the normal course, under the provisions of Section 8-407 of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, these regulations would become effective only after certain waiting periods therein provided.

In order to have the new Limited Service Program in operation by November 1, 1983, the Philadelphia Gas Works must begin immediately to physically implement the program.

Therefore, being satisfied that it is in the interest of public health, welfare and safety to act immediately, and under the authority granted me as Mayor in Section 8-407 of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, I hereby (1) suspend the requirements of Section 8-407 as to any waiting period, and (2) I authorize and direct that temporary regulations be and they hereby are promulgated effective immediately, in the form adopted by the Philadelphia Gas Commission at its public meeting held on September 19, 1983, as set forth in the attached Gas Commission Resolution and Order.


MAYOR

Date: 9/27/83

PROPOSED NEW REGULATIONS

PGW TARIFF NO. 8

LIMITED SERVICE PROGRAM

4.70 LIMITED SERVICE PROGRAM - This program will offer limited service for the period commencing on the effective date of the Commission Order approving the service through March 31, 1984. The "Limited Service" program will assure that qualifying former residential heating customers will receive minimal heating service. Heating equipment will be modified to permit residence temperature to be maintained at 55^oF. The cooking appliance will be modified to permit the use of one surface cooking burner. Water heating and any other gas consuming appliances will be disconnected.

4.71 CONDITIONS OF SERVICE - All former residential heating customers shut off for non-payment who wish to be reconnected at the same address must execute a contract agreeing to all the terms of the program as follows:

- a. Pay turn-on charges of \$20.
- b. Make application for all applicable fuel assistance programs.
- c. Permit service modifications including:
 1. Adjustment of gas heating equipment so as to maintain an indoor temperature of not more than 55^oF.
 2. Adjust the gas fueled range so as to permit operation of only one burner.
 3. Disconnection of the automatic water heater and all other gas appliances on the premises.
- d. Provide electricity if it is required for the normal operation of the gas heating equipment.

e. Agree to pay for all gas used from the date of restoration through the last day of service under this program.

f. Permit company access to the dwelling at least monthly to confirm compliance with the Limited Service Contract.

g. Permit PGW entry on or after April 1, 1984 to terminate limited service.

h. Secure the consent of the owner of the property for the service modifications in the event the applicant is not the owner.

4.72 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH TERM OF SERVICE - If a customer receiving gas service under the "Limited Service" program fails to comply with the terms of the program, service will be terminated immediately on detection of the violation.

4.73 TAMPERING WITH SERVICE MODIFICATIONS - Any attempt by the customer to circumvent any of the service modifications will subject the customer to immediate discontinuance of service.

4.74 COLLECTION ACTIVITY DURING TERM OF "LIMITED SERVICE" - Normal collection activity with regard to all arrearages will continue during the term of the "Limited Service" program, except that customers receiving service under the program will not be subject to termination of service on that account.

4.75 TERMINATION OF SERVICE AT END OF PERIOD - If regular full service has not been restored in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the PGW Tariff prior to April 1, 1984, PGW will proceed to shut-off the service to those participating in this temporary "Limited Service" program.

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