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Re:

Application of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. for an Adjustment in

Rates; Case No. 2013-00167

Dear Mr. Derouen:

Enclosed for filing in the above styled action are an original and ten copies of the direct testimony of Matthew S. White, Esq. on behalf of Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. Please place the document of file.

Thank you for your attention to the foregoing, please call me with any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

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## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



In the Matter of the adjustment of	)	
rates of Columbia Gas of Kentucky,	)	Case. 2013-00167
Inc.	)	

### **Direct Testimony of Matthew S. White**

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### I. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY

- 2 Q. Please state your name and by whom you are employed.
- 3 A. My name is Matthew White. I am employed by Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. ("IGS") in the
- 4 position of Regulatory Counsel in the IGS Regulatory Affairs Department. My business
- 5 address is 6100 Emerald Parkway, Dublin, Ohio 43016.
- 6 Q. What is the nature of IGS' business?

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- 7 A. IGS is an alternative gas supplier serving retail customers in the Columbia Gas of
- 8 Kentucky ("CKY") service territory. IGS has over 23 years of experience serving retail
- 9 natural gas customers and has extensive institutional knowledge about the operations of
- 10 competitive natural gas markets in Kentucky and in other states. IGS provides electric
- and natural gas service to over 1 million customers in 11 states and in over 40 utility
- 12 programs throughout the United States.
- 13 Q. Please describe your educational background and work history.
- 14 A. I received a Juris Doctorate (J.D.) and Masters in Business Administration (M.B.A.) from
- the College of William & Mary. I received a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) from Ohio University.
- 16 I started my career in the energy industry in 2007 at the law firm of Chester, Wilcox &
- 17 Saxbe as an energy and utilities lawyer. At Chester Wilcox, I participated in numerous
- 18 regulatory proceedings relating to utility matters, including natural gas and electric rate
- 19 cases and electric power siting cases. I also have worked on natural gas sales
- transactions and pipeline siting and development. From 2010-2012 I was chairman of
- the Columbus Bar Association's Energy Law Committee. In January of 2011, I was
- 22 hired into IGS Energy's executive rotation program where I spent the next 16 months
- working in various departments throughout the company, learning all aspects of IGS'

business, including the gas supply and risk departments. In 2012 I began full-time in IGS' Regulatory Affairs Department. My position at IGS requires that I be familiar with the energy industry, utility operations, rate structures and tariffs, and regulatory practices, procedures, rules, and policies, and the state-specific regulatory environments in which IGS competes. In addition to my regulatory work, I participate in IGS' numerous clean energy initiatives, including compressed natural gas vehicles and combined heat and power development. I also serve on the Board of Advance Energy Economy Ohio, a non-profit organization committed to promoting advanced energy project development throughout the region.

### 10 Q. Have you submitted testimony before any regulatory bodies before?

11 A. Yes. I have submitted written testimony in the Duke Natural Gas Distribution Rate Case,
12 Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") Case No. 12-1685-GA-AIR, The Dayton
13 Power & Light Company Electric Security Plan Proceeding PUCO Case No. 12-426-EL14 SSO, and the Michigan Consolidated Gas Company Gas Cost Recovery Proceeding,
15 Michigan Public Service Commission, Case No. U-17131.

### Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

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In my testimony I support the recommendation of CKY witness Judy Cooper that the CKY Choice program be extended. I also discuss the many benefits the Choice program brings to CKY customers. Finally, I recommend that the Commission establish a working group of interested parties to discuss ways to enhance the CKY Choice program, including potentially making the CKY Choice program permanent. In her testimony Ms. Cooper suggests potentially implementing measures to improve the CKY program; a Choice working group would be consistent with Ms. Cooper's recommendations.

### II. <u>Extension of the CKY Choice Program</u>

- 2 Q. What are witness Cooper's recommendation with respect to the CKY pilot
- 3 Choice Program?

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- 4 A. In her testimony Witness Cooper recommends that CKY extend its pilot Choice
- 5 program for approximately 3 more years through March of 2017.
- 6 Q. Do you agree that the CKY Choice program should be re-authorized?
- 7 A. Yes. I agree that the CKY Choice program should be re-authorized. The CKY
- 8 Choice program has been in existence in the CKY service territory since
- 9 implementation related to case no. 1999-00165<sup>1</sup> before the Kentucky Public
- Service Commission in the Fall of 2000. Further, the Commission has now
- 11 authorized the extension of the Choice program on at least three occasions. The
- 12 CKY Choice program has been successful thus far and has resulted in tens of
- thousands of CKY customers choosing an alternative supplier.
- 14 Q. How do CKY customers benefit from the Choice program?
- 15 A. Robust natural gas competition brings many benefits to customers. First, as Ms.
- 16 Cooper testifies, customers value having a choice for their natural gas supply.
- Not only does natural gas competition give customers the choice of who supplies
- their natural gas, competition also allows customers to have a choice of the
- natural gas products they receive. The CKY GCR product is a variable rate that
- changes quarterly and it is the only natural gas product CKY provides.

21 Competitive suppliers, on the other hand, can offer a number of different

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Case No. 1999-00165, "The tariff filing of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. to implement a Small Volume Gas Transportation Service, to continue its Gas Cost Incentives Mechanisms, and to Continue its Customer Assistance Program"

products including fixed rate products, variable cap products, green products and products that are bundled with other services such as energy efficiency, smart thermostats, to name a few. These diverse offerings bring value to a customer beyond the natural gas commodity and its price. If the customer wishes to remain with the utility's reconciled GCR product, the customer can do so as well. Either way, Choice programs allow customers to make choices based on their own preferences and provide greater transparency regarding products and prices than the traditional GCR.

### Q. Can Choice products be more reflective of market prices?

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Yes. The Columbia GCR price is reconciled and trued up on a quarterly basis. That means at any given quarter, there could be charges or credits in the GCR that were incurred in previous quarters. Further, because CKY hedges part of its gas cost, this could lead to a price that is not necessarily reflective of the market price of natural gas for a given quarter. Competitive suppliers offers are market based without reconciliations and true-ups. Therefore, Choice supplier's prices will tend to be more reflective of market rates. Market pricing sends price signals to customers that allow customers to adjust their consumption behavior based on changes in the wholesale cost of natural gas. This can lead to more efficient consumption by the customers.

### Q. Do CKY GCR customers benefit from natural gas Choice?

A. Yes. Even customers that remain on CKY's GCR rate benefit from competition.

Competition in the natural gas markets makes all participants in the market more efficient, including the utility. Multiple products and prices in the market allows for transparent price comparisons against the utility GCR rate. Having the price

comparisons in the market gives customers a way of knowing whether they are paying a competitive price in the market place, irrespective of whether they are with the utility GCR rate or with another supplier. Natural gas Choice also gets more information out to customers about pricing, regardless of whether they are on the GCR or with a supplier, so customers that have access to a Choice program tend to be more educated about pricing as a whole.

## 7 Q. Does natural gas Choice bring more liquidity thus resulting in price savings for all customers?

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Yes. Simply having multiple suppliers delivering natural gas to the city gate creates more liquidity in the wholesale market, putting downward pressure on wholesale natural gas prices, which ultimately reflects into lower retail prices for all customers. Also, often competitive suppliers like IGS will contract with local Kentucky producers to purchase their gas and bring that gas to the market. Bringing additional supply to the local wholesale market brings downward price pressure on wholesale prices resulting in lower prices for all customers including GCR customers. This has the added benefit of giving local producers additional avenues to bring their natural gas to the market, giving a boost to the local Kentucky economy.

# Q. Does having a natural gas Choice program facilitate the development of natural gas vehicle infrastructure?

Yes. Developing natural gas vehicle ("NGV") refueling infrastructure can be a risky endeavor given the high capital costs and the uncertainty in end user demand. Natural gas Choice enables those that are looking to invest in NGV's or to build compressed natural gas ("CNG") refueling infrastructure to eliminate

some of that risk. Customers in Choice programs can lock in their CNG fuel costs for an extended period of time through Choice suppliers fixed price contracts, thus locking in savings on their fuel compared to the cost of gasoline. In a GCR only environment, customers developing NGV technology must take the utility GCR rate thus subjecting their projected fuel savings to the volatility of the natural gas market. Having the ability to lock in fuel costs for an extended period of time can give those looking to invest in NGV technology the peace of mind they need to move forward with this type of investment. IGS is familiar with the issues that are involved with NGV development because its related company IGS Energy CNG Services is actively developing CNG infrastructure throughout the region.

- 12 Q. Should the Commission consider eventually making the Choice program a permanent program?
- 14 A. Yes. I support Ms. Cooper's recommendation to extend the Choice pilot
  15 program; however, given the program's longevity and the level of customer
  16 participation, I believe some consideration should be given to making the
  17 program permanent after the next pilot period.
- Q. Will making the CKY Choice program permanent enhance the Choiceprogram?
- 20 A. Currently the Choice program is a pilot program subject to the Commission
  21 review every three years or so. Because the Choice program is just a pilot, it
  22 must receive the Commission's affirmative consent to continue after an approved
  23 pilot period. A Choice supplier looking to invest resources into a new market is
  24 less likely to enter into the CKY service territory because of the uncertainty as to

whether the Choice program will exist after the pilot period. Making the CKY
Choice program permanent would eliminate regulatory uncertainty in the CKY
market and attract more suppliers to the market. This is consistent with what has
happened for utilities in states such as Ohio, Michigan and Indiana that have
transitioned from a pilot Choice program to a permanent one.

# Q. Is there any evidence that a permanent Choice program will bring more competition to the CKY Choice service territory?

- A. Yes. In utility service territories with permanent Choice programs, all else being equal, there are more mass market products available to customers. For instance, in the Columbia Gas of Ohio service territory, which has a permanent Choice program, there are 25 mass market offers available to customers. In Vectren Energy Deliver of Ohio service territory, which also has a permanent Choice program, there are 15 mass market offers available to customers. In Central Hudson in New York there are over 40 mass market offers. This compares to just 7 mass market products offered by competitive suppliers in the CKY service territory. Further, in markets with permanent Choice programs, mass market offers tend to be more dynamic and diverse. Attached to my testimony as Exhibit 1 are screen shots of each of the price comparison webpages for the utilities I list above.
- Q. Are there additional reasons why a non-permanent Choice program limits the products available to customers?
- 22 A. Yes. Beyond making Choice program less robust in general, a non-permanent
  23 Choice program limits the ability of suppliers to offer long term pricing to
  24 customers. One of the most prevalent alternative products offered by Choice

1	suppliers are fixed price contracts. Given the inherent risk to suppliers in offering
2	fixed price products, if suppliers know that there may not be a Choice program
3	after the pilot period expires, suppliers will be less likely to make product
4	offerings that last beyond the pilot period.

- 5 Q. Are there any additional benefits that would be derived by making the CKY
  6 Choice program permanent?
- 7 A. Yes. As a pilot program, CKY must re-apply to have its Choice pilot extended 8 every three to four years. Making the Choice program permanent would 9 eliminate the costs of an application and review of the Choice program every 10 time CKY has a rate case. Further, a permanent CKY Choice program will allow 11 CKY to more accurately plan for investment in personnel and infrastructure. 12 Certainty as to whether the Choice program will exist beyond a three year period will lessen the risk that CKY will have stranded costs in the investments to keep 13 14 the Choice program up and running.
- Q. Would the Commission still have oversight of the Choice program if the
   Choice program is made permanent?
- 17 A. Yes. Even if the Choice program is made permanent the Commission will still
  18 have the authority to regulate the CKY Choice program and make modifications
  19 to the program as the Commission sees fit. Thus, by making the Choice program
  20 permanent, the Commission creates more regulatory certainty for customers and
  21 suppliers participating in the market without relinquishing oversight.
- 22 III. <u>Efforts to Improve the CKY Choice Program</u>
- 23 Q. Are CKY customers satisfied with the CKY Choice program?

- 1 A. Yes. Ms. Cooper testifies that the Choice survey conducted by CKY concluded 2 that customers are highly satisfied with having a Choice program available.
- 3 Q. Does Ms. Cooper propose making improvements to the Choice program?
- A. Ms. Cooper does not seek Commission approval for specific measures to improve the Choice program; however Ms. Cooper does suggest that there is room for improvement in the CKY Choice program. Specifically, Ms. Cooper concludes that customers would benefit by being better informed about the options available to them in the market.
- 9 Q. Do you agree with Ms. Cooper's assessment?
- Yes. I agree that customers would benefit from more education about the CKY 10 A. 11 Choice program. Informed customers are better able to protect their own interest 12 and better able to make choices that meet their true preferences. It should be noted that simply by participating in the competitive market customers are more 13 14 likely to understand pricing and price comparisons than customers that do not 15 chose; thus increasing engagement in the Choice market will have the effect of 16 educating customers. That being said, customers will also be more informed if 17 they are given more accurate and transparent data. The more informed a 18 customer is about competition and pricing the less intimidating it is for customers 19 when it comes to making choices for their natural gas supply.
- Q. Would making the Choice program permanent help to raise customer awareness about natural gas Choice?
- 22 A. Yes. As I describe earlier, making the Choice program permanent would likely
  23 lead to more robust competition in the CKY service territory. As suppliers are

more active, suppliers are also more likely to provide information about their competitive offers to customers. Further, more activity on the part of suppliers leads to more engagement by customers. The more customers who are actively shopping for natural gas service, the more educated and informed they will be about natural gas products and pricing. Therefore, the simple step of making the Choice program permanent should lead to more informed customers.

### Q. Do you have recommendations to improve the CKY Choice program?

Yes. I recommend that CKY start a working group of interested parties to find means for CKY to improve its Choice program. The working group should discuss the possibility of making the Choice program permanent after the next pilot period, and make recommendations about the measures that would need to occur if the Choice program were made permanent. The working group could also focus on finding solutions to educate customers about the Choice program as well as finding ways to make it more efficient for customers and suppliers to participate in the competitive market. The overall goal of the working group should be to implement measures that will make the CKY Choice program a better experience for customers. IGS would be happy to participate in this working group and share its vast experience in effectively structuring competitive programs throughout the country.

### 20 Q. Does that conclude your testimony?

21 A. Yes.

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7	AFFIDAVIT OF MATTHEW S. WHITE
8	Comes the undersigned, Matthew S. White, Esq., being duly sworn, deposes and
9	states that he is employed by Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. ("IGS") in the position of
10	Regulatory Counsel in the IGS Regulatory Affairs Department, that he has personal
11	knowledge of the matters set forth in the foregoing testimony and exhibits, said
12	testimony was prepared by him and under his direction and supervision, if inquiries were
13	made as to the facts in said testimony he would respond as therein set forth and the
14	answers contained therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.
15 16 17	Matthew S. White
18	STATE OF OHIO
19 20 21	COUNTY OF FRANKIN
22 23 24 25 26 27	Subscribed and sworn to me this 11 <sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013, by Matthew S.  White.  RONALD L. WATERMAN Attorney At Law Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Has No Expiration Section 147.03 R.C.  My Commission Expires:
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## Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio Apples to Apples Chart

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The PUCO produces the Apples to Apples charts to provide residential consumers with a snapshot comparison of current natural gas supplier price options and contract terms for individual customers. You may also want to check with your local government to see if your community has grouped together citizens into a buying pool to purchase gas. The PUCO updates the charts on a weekly basis and verifies each supplier offer to ensure accuracy. As with all contracts, consumers should carefully read and understand all terms and conditions before signing any forms or agreeing to enroll with a supplier for natural gas service. For a description of Apples to Apples chart-related terms, please refer to *Chart Definitions*.

Please be advised that if you are currently enrolled in the Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP PLUS), you are not eligible to enroll with or switch to an alternate supplier.

If you are currently enrolled with an alternate supplier, and want to enroll with a different supplier prior to the expiration of your current contract, you may be subject to an Early Termination Fee.

The PUCO provides the tools you need to calculate your estimated cost. The Self-Calculation

Worksheet that is available on the PDF version of the Apples to Apples charts, walks you through the steps needed to manually calculate your own estimated cost.

Or, you can access the Apples to Apples Interactive Calculator and automatically calculate your estimated costs.

### **Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio's Rate**

The Standard Choice Offer (SCO) Rate is based on the New York Mercantile Exchange month-end settlement price, plus a Retail Price Adjustment of \$0.105 per ccf. The SCO is a monthly variable rate and represents costs associated with securing natural gas for Vectren customers. All Vectren customers who have not selected an alternate gas supplier through the natural gas Choice program, yet are eligible to do so, receive their gas supply via an SCO supplier at the Total Rate listed below.

Vectren's Current Total Rate is \$ 0.51832 per ccf Effective September 1, 2013 to September 30, 2013

This total rate includes:

The SCO Gas Rate of \$ 0.46741 per ccf
Sales Tax on SCO Gas Rate (assuming 7%) \$ 0.03272 per ccf
Total Transportation Charges of \$ 0.01819 per ccf

Contact information for Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio: One Vectren Sq., Evansville, IN 47708, (800) 227-1376, www.vectrenenergy.com .

### **PUCO-Certified Retail Natural Gas Suppliers Actively Soliciting New Customers**

Supplier Name	Web Page Address	Telephone
Direct Energy Services, LLC	http://directenergy.gesc.com/Products/Signup.aspx?sc=RES&state=OH&promo=OHPUC	(888) 566-9988
IGS Energy	http://www.igsenergy.com	(877) 444-7427
Integrys Energy Services, Inc.	http://www.integrysenergy.com	(866) 336-5547
Just Energy	http://www.justenergy.com/	(877) 226-5371
Ohio Natural Gas	http://www.onlyong.com	(888) 466-4427

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Palmco Energy OH, LLC http://www.PalmcoEnergy.com (877) 726-5862

Vectren Source http://www.vectrensource.com (866) 306-8135

Volunteer Energy Services, Inc. http://www.volunteerenergy.com (800) 977-8374

XOOM Energy Ohio, LLC http://www.xoomenergy.com (888) 997-8979

### **Supplier Plans, Rates, Terms and Descriptions**

Listed below are the natural gas plan offers of PUCO-certified suppliers, per Ccf. Published offers are subject to change without prior notice. The **Supplier Total Rate**, which is the price to compare, includes the **Supplier Base Rate** and the utility's current transportation charge, however, excludes the applicable state and county sales tax that should be considered if comparing **Supplier Total Rates** to the regulated utility's total rate (includes gas cost, transportation charge and gross receipts tax), currently at \$ 0.51832/Ccf.

As the utility's transportation rate historically changes quarterly, the **Supplier Total Rate** is subject to change post publication; therefore, this information should be used only as a guide. Consumers should verify offers with the supplier before signing a contract. **The PUCO is not responsible for selections you make based on the information contained herein.** 

Local Distribution Company	,	SCO per c		Total Rate per ccf	Effective Date	
Vectren Gas		\$ 0.4	6741	\$ 0.51832	September 1, 2013 to September 30	), 2013
ixed Rate Plan						
Supplier Name	Plan ID	Supplier Base Rate	Supplier Total Rate	Contract Term	Plan Description	Contract Early Termination Fee
Direct Energy Services, LLC	24834	\$ 0.57900	\$ 0.59719	12 -Month		\$ 0.00
IGS Energy	24821	\$ 0.67400	\$ 0.69219	Through 09/2016 Billing Cycle	Fixed Rate Through 09/2016	\$ 100.00
	24818	\$ 0.57400	\$ 0.59219	Through 03/2014 Billing Cycle	Fixed Rate and No Cancel Fee Through 03/2014	\$ 0.00
	24820	\$ 0.64900	\$ 0.66719	Through 09/2014 Billing Cycle	Fixed Rate and No Cancel Fee Through 09/2014	\$ 0.00
Integrys Energy Services, Inc.	24856	\$ 0.59400	\$ 0.61219	Through 07/2014 Billing Cycle	12 Months Fixed Rate with Price Match Guarantee	\$ 75.00
	24857	\$ 0.60900	\$ 0.62719	Through 07/2015 Billing Cycle	Fixed Price for 24 months	\$ 75.00
	24858	\$ 0.63900	\$ 0.65719	Through 07/2016 Billing Cycle	Fixed Price for 36 months	\$ 75.00
Ohio Natural Gas	24768	\$ 0.59900	\$ 0.61719	12 -Month	Get 20K Delta Miles. Visit onlyong.com/delta20 use DELTA20	\$ 150.00
	24767	\$ 0.57900	\$ 0.59719	6 -Month	Get 20K Delta Miles. Visit onlyong.com/delta20 use DELTA20	\$ 75.00
Vectren Source	24837	\$ 0.57900	\$ 0.59719	12 -Month		\$ 0.00
XOOM Energy Ohio, LLC	24793	\$ 0.59900	\$ 0.61719	12 -Month	XOOM Energy's SureLock 12 fixed plan	\$ 110.00
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Supplier Name	Plan ID	Supplier Base Rate	Supplier Total Rate	Contract Term	Plan Description	Contract Early Termination Fee
IGS Energy	24819	\$ 0.59900 Rate capped @ \$ 0.72900	\$ 0.61719	Through 06/2014 Billing Cycle	Capped variable rate through June 2014	\$ 0.00
Integrys Energy Services, Inc.	24855	\$ 0.48090 Rate capped @ \$ 0.62500	\$ 0.49909	12 -Month	NYMEX plus \$.135/ccf. Will not exceed \$.625/ccf.	\$ 25.00
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Just Energy	24831	\$ 0.43330	\$ 0.45149	Monthly	5% below Utility for first month	\$ 0.00
Ohio Natural Gas	24769	\$ 0.39900	\$ 0.41719	Monthly	Variable Plan with a discounted rate for the first 2 months	\$ 0.00
Volunteer Energy Services, Inc.	24786	\$ 0.47500	\$ 0.49319	Monthly		\$ 0.00
XOOM Energy Ohio, LLC	24794	\$ 0.49900	\$ 0.51719	Monthly	XOOM Energy's Introductory SimpleFlex variable rate	\$ 0.00

### Variable Rate Plan

Supplier Name	Plan ID	Supplier Base Rate	Supplier Total Rate	Contract Term	Plan Description	Contract Early Termination Fee
Ohio Natural Gas	24770	\$ 0.59900	\$ 0.61719	Monthly		\$ 0.00
Palmco Energy OH, LLC		\$ 0.4895	\$ 0.5077	Monthly	Introductory rate for the first 2 months	\$ 0.00

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### **Chart Definitions**

Ccf: One hundred cubic feet, a unit used to measure natural gas usage.

Contract Term: The length or duration of the contract (i.e. monthly, yearly, multiple-year).

**County Sales Tax**: When natural gas is purchased from a supplier, the natural gas is subject to Ohio sales or use tax. Because county sales tax rates vary throughout Ohio, the county sales tax is not included in the supplier's total rate. Use the attached map to determine your county's sales tax rate.

**Current Offer**: Comprised of suppliers' current commodity options and base rates, exclusive of sales tax, the local utility transportation charge, and customer service charges. Commodity options may be a fixed, variable, or stable rate plan.

Fixed Rate Plan: A constant rate for the contracted period.

Stable Rate Plan: A variable rate for a fixed period of time.

**Standard Choice Offer (SCO) Rate:** The SCO rate is a monthly variable rate that is based on the New York Mercantile Exchange month-end settlement price, plus a Retail Price Adjustment of \$0.155 per ccf. The SCO varies each month and represents costs associated with securing natural gas for eligible VEDO customers.

Supplier Name: PUCO-certified suppliers that are actively enrolling new customers.

Total Rate: Comprised of the supplier's natural gas commodity prices, assumes a 7% sales tax on the natural gas cost, plus the transportation rate charge.

Transportation Rate Charge: The transportation rate charge, which can fluctuate quarterly, is comprised of the Percentage of Income Payment Plan rider, uncollectible expense rider, excise tax rider, exit transition cost rider, SRR-A rider, Energy Efficiency Funding rider, and applicable gross receipts tax.

Variable Rate Plan: A fluctuating rate within the contracted period.

#### Questions to ask Suppliers

- Are there any deposit requirements?
- Do you charge any early termination fees? If so, how much?
- Do you charge any switching, membership, or other fees?
- · Are you certified by the PUCO?
- Is your rate fixed, or does it change?
- If it is a variable rate, how does it change?
- Is there a customer incentive for signing up?
- Are there any built-in price increases or decreases?
- Are there any special add-on services?
- How long is the contract for this offer?
- Does your service cover all months of the year?
- What happens when my contract expires?
- Will I receive one or two bills a month?

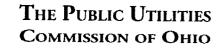
### Self-Calculation Worksheet

This self-calculation worksheet will provide you with an estimate of your monthly natural gas costs, based on your average monthly gas usage, current supplier price, transportation and service charges, and local sales tax. You may also wish to visit <a href="www.PUCO.ohio.gov">www.PUCO.ohio.gov</a> to access our interactive Apples to Apples calculator to automatically calculate your estimated monthly natural gas costs.

#### Example Your Calculation Step 1: Supplier Offer Insert the supplier's current offer. Supplier Offer: \$0,4683/Ccf Supplier Offer: \$ /Ccf Step 2: Figure your Average Monthly Usage (annual gas usage) 768 Ccf (annual gas usage) /Ccf 12 Divide your annual gas usage in Ccf (provided on Average Monthly Usage: your monthly bill) by 12. 64.00 Ccf Average Monthly Usage: Ccf Step 3: Supplier Charge (supplier offer) \$0.4683 (supplier offer) Multiply the supplier offer by your monthly gas (average monthly usage) x 64.00 (average monthly usage) usage. Supplier Charge: \$ 29.97 Supplier Charge: Step 4: Tax on Supplier Charge (supplier charge) \$ 29.97 (supplier charge) Multiply the supplier charge by your county (county sales tax rate) x 0.07 x 0.\_\_\_\_ (county sales tax rate) sales tax rate that can be ascertained online Sales Tax on Supplier Charge: \$ 2.10 Sales Tax on Supplier Charge: through the Ohio Department of Taxation. Step 5: Delivery Charge (delivery rate) \$0.01819 (delivery rate) \$0.01819 Multiply the delivery rate by your average (average monthly usage) (average monthly usage) x 64.00 monthly usage. **Delivery Charge: Delivery Charge:** \$ 1.16 Step 6: Supplier Estimated Monthly Cost (supplier charge) \$ 29.97 (supplier charge) Add the supplier charge, the tax on supplier (sales tax on supplier charge) 2.10 (sales tax on supplier charge) charge, the delivery charge, and a monthly (delivery charge) (delivery charge) 1.16 customer charge of \$19.27. (monthly customer charge) + 19.27 (monthly customer charge) **Supplier Estimated Monthly Cost: Supplier Estimated Monthly Cost:** \$ 52.50 Step 7: Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio's (VEDO's current total rate) \$0.51832 (VEDO's current total rate) \$0.51832 (VEDO) Estimated Monthly Cost (average monthly usage) x 64.00 (average monthly usage) Multiply VEDO's current total rate (which includes (subtotal) \$ 33.17 (subtotal) gas costs, an estimated local sales tax of 7% on the (monthly customer charge) + 19.27 (monthly customer charge) gas costs, and a delivery charge) by your average **VEDO Estimated Monthly Cost:** \$ 52.44 **VEDO Estimated Monthly Cost:** monthly usage, then add the monthly customer charge. Step 8: Compare Supplier: \$52.50/month Supplier: \$ /month Compare the supplier's estimated monthly cost **Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio: \$** to that of Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio. Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio: \$52,44/month /month



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### **Columbia Gas of Ohio Apples to Apples Chart**

Publication Date: August 27, 2013

The PUCO produces the Apples to Apples charts to provide residential consumers with a snapshot comparison of current natural gas supplier price options and contract terms for individual customers. You may also want to check with your local government to see if your community has grouped together citizens into a buying pool to purchase gas. The PUCO updates the charts on a weekly basis and verifies each supplier offer to ensure accuracy. As with all contracts, consumers should carefully read and understand all terms and conditions before signing any forms or agreeing to enroll with a supplier for natural gas service. For a description of Apples to Apples chart-related terms, please refer to Chart Definitions .

Please be advised that if you are currently enrolled in the Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP PLUS), you are not eligible to enroll with or switch to an alternate supplier.

If you are currently enrolled with an alternate supplier, and want to enroll with a different supplier prior to the expiration of your current contract, you may be subject to an Early Termination Fee.

The PUCO provides the tools you need to calculate your estimated cost. The Self-Calculation

Worksheet that is available on the PDF version of the Apples to Apples Charts, walks you through the steps needed to manually calculate your own estimated post. Or, you can access the Apples to Apples Interactive Calculator to automatically calculate your estimated costs.

### **Chart Tools**

- · Apples to Apples Interactive Calculator
- PDF version of chart and Self Calculation Worksheet
- Chart Definitions
- · County Sales Tax Map
- · Columbia Gas of Ohio's Rate
- Historical Rate Information

### Columbia Gas of Ohio's Rate

The Standard Choice Offer (SCO) rate is based on the New York Mercantile Exchange month-end settlement price, plus a Retail Price Adjustment of \$0.129. The SCO is a monthly variable rate and represents cost associated with the securing natural gas for CGO customers.

Columbia Gas of Ohio's (CGO) current total rate is \$ 0.55796 per hundred cubic feet (ccf) Effective from August 28, 2013 to September 26, 2013

This total rate includes:

A Standard Choice Offer (SCO) rate of

\$ 0.48570 per ccf

A SalesTax amount of

\$ 0.03278 per ccf, at 6.75%

Transportation costs of

\$ 0.03948 per ccf (gross receipts tax included)

Contact information for Columbia Gas of Ohio: 200 Civic Center Dr., Columbus, OH 43215, (800) 344-4077, www.ColumbiagasofOhio.com .

## **PUCO-Certified Retail Natural Gas Suppliers Actively Soliciting New Customers**

Supplier Name	Web Page Address	Telephone
Border Energy, Inc.	http://www.border-energy.com/	(888) 479-4427
Direct Energy Services, LLC	http://directenergy.gesc.com/Products/Signup.aspx?sc=RES&state=OH&promo=OHPUC	(888) 566-9988
Dominion Energy Solutions	https://www.dominionenergy.com/en/energy-offers/gas	(800) 990-4090
Energy Plus Natural Gas LLC	http://www.energypluscompany.com/	(855) 405-3098
IGS Energy	http://www.igsenergy.com	(877) 444-7427
Integrys Energy Services, Inc.	http://www.integrysenergy.com	(866) 336-5547
Just Energy	http://www.justenergy.com/	(877) 226-5371
My Choice Energy	http://www.fostermychoice.com	(888) 505-9104

Ohio Natural Gas	http://www.onlyong.com	(888) 466-4427
Palmco Energy OH, LLC	http://www.PalmcoEnergy.com	(877) 726-5862
Santanna Energy Services	http://www.santannaenergyservices.com	(800) 827-0067
Spark Energy Gas, LP	http://www.sparkenergy.com	(800) 982-1468
TERM POWER & GAS LLC	http://www.encoa.com/residential/ohio	(888) 857-5415
Volunteer Energy Services, Inc.	http://www.volunteerenergy.com	(800) 977-8374
XOOM Energy Ohio, LLC	http://www.xoomenergy.com	(888) 997-8979

### **Supplier Plans, Rates, Terms and Descriptions**

Listed below are the natural gas plan offers of PUCO-certified suppliers, per Ccf. Published offers are subject to change without prior notice. The **Supplier Total Rate**, which is the price to compare, includes the **Supplier Base Rate** and **CGO's current transportation charge**. If comparing Supplier Total Rate to CGO's total SCO rate, which is currently set at \$ 0.55796 /Ccf, keep in mind that the Supplier Base Rate is exclusive of applicable state and county sales tax, whereas CGO's total SCO rate includes applicable sales tax at a rate of 6.75%.

As CGO's transportation rate historically changes quarterly, the Supplier Total Rate is subject to change post publication; therefore, this information should be used only as a guide. Consumers should verify offers with the supplier before signing a contract. The PUCO is not responsible for selections you make based on the information contained herein.

Local Distribution Company	SCO Rate per ccf	Total Rate per ccf	Effective Date
Columbia Gas	\$ 0.48570	\$ 0.55796	August 28, 2013 to September 26, 2013

#### **Fixed Rate Plan**

Supplier Name	Plan ID	Supplier Base Rate	Supplier Total Rate	Contract Term	Plan Description	Contract Early Termination Fee
Border Energy, Inc.	24781	\$ 0.63800	\$ 0.67748	12 -Month	.638 per Ccf Oct 2013 to May 2014; variable thereafter	\$ 75.00
Direct Energy Services, LLC	24835	\$ 0.59900	\$ 0.63848	12 -Month		\$ 0.00
Dominion Energy Solutions	24759	\$ 0.58900	\$ 0.62848	Through 07/2014 Billing Cycle		\$ 50.00
IGS Energy	24808	\$ 0.69600	\$ 0.73548	36 -Month	Fixed Rate Through 36 Billing Cycles	\$ 100.00
	24807	\$ 0.59900	\$ 0.63848	Through 03/2014 Billing Cycle	Fixed Rate and No Cancel Fee Through 03/2014	\$ 0.00
Integrys Energy Services, Inc.	24842	\$ 0.62300	\$ 0.66248	24 -Month	Term is October 2013 - September 2015	\$ 75.00
	24843	\$ 0.64300	\$ 0.68248	36 -Month	Term is October 2013 - September 2016	\$ 75.00
	24841	\$ 0.59800	\$ 0.63748	12 -Month	This Fixed Rate includes the Price Match Guarantee	\$ 75.00
Just Energy	24826	\$ 0.69900	\$ 0.73848	12 -Month		\$ 50.00
My Choice Energy	24776	\$ 0.59500	\$ 0.63448	Through 10/2014 Billing Cycle		\$ 25.00
Ohio Natural Gas	24764	\$ 0.62900	\$ 0.66848	12 -Month	Get 20K Delta Miles. Visit onlyong.com/delta20 use DELTA20	\$ 150.00
	24763	\$ 0.57900	\$ 0.61848	6 -Month	Get 20K Delta Miles. Visit onlyong.com/delta20 use DELTA20	\$ 75.00
Santanna Energy Services	24779	\$ 0.53900	\$ 0.57848	3 -Month	After 3-month term, renews monthly on market price plan.	\$ 0.00
Spark Energy Gas, LP	24823	\$ 0.64900	\$ 0.68848	12 -Month	\$0.649 per Ccf	\$ 100.00
TERM POWER & GAS LLC	24801	\$ 0.46900	\$ 0.50848	6 -Month	ENCOA Gas Choice 06 - Satisfaction Guaranteed	\$ 0.00
	24824	\$ 0.59900	\$ 0.63848	12 -Month	ENCOA Gas Choice 12	\$ 50.00
XOOM Energy Ohio, LLC	24787	\$ 0.69900	\$ 0.73848	12 -Month	XOOM Energy's SureLock 12 fixed plan	\$ 110.00

**Monthly Variable Capped Rate Plan** 

Supplier Name	Plan ID	Supplier Base Rate	Supplier Total Rate	Contract Term	Plan Description	Contract Early Termination Fee
IGS Energy	24809	\$ 0.61900 Rate capped @ \$ 0.74900	\$ 0.65848	Through 06/2014 Billing Cycle	Capped variable rate through June 2014	\$ 0.00
Integrys Energy Services, Inc.	24838	\$ 0.49800 Rate capped @ \$ 0.62500	\$ 0.53748	12 -Month	Billing Month is September 2013; Will not exceed \$.625/ccf	\$ 25.00

### **Monthly Variable Rate Plan**

Supplier Name	Plan ID	Supplier Base Rate	Supplier Total Rate	Contract Term	Plan Description	Contract Early Termination Fee
Integrys Energy Services, Inc.	24839	\$ 0.55900	\$ 0.59848	Monthly	Billing Month is September 2013	\$ 0.00
Just Energy	24827	\$ 0.44590	\$ 0.48538	Monthly	5% below Utility for first month	\$ 0.00
Ohio Natural Gas	24765	\$ 0.39900	\$ 0.43848	Monthly	Variable Plan with a discounted rate for the first 2 months!	\$ 0.00
Volunteer Energy Services, Inc.	24782	\$ 0.47100	\$ 0.51048	Monthly		\$ 0.00
XOOM Energy Ohio, LLC	24788	\$ 0.54900	\$ 0.58848	Monthly	XOOM Energy's Introductory SimpleFlex variable rate	\$ 0.00

### **Quarterly Variable Rate Plan**

Supplier Name	Plan ID	Supplier Base Rate	Supplier Total Rate	Contract Term	Plan Description	Contract Early Termination Fee
Integrys Energy Services, Inc.	24840	\$ 0.59900	\$ 0.63848	12 -Month	Billing Period is July - September 2013	\$ 75.00

#### Variable Rate Plan

Supplier Name	Plan ID	Supplier Base Rate	Supplier Total Rate	Contract Term	Plan Description	Contract Early Termination Fee
Energy Plus Natural Gas LLC	24795	\$ 0.50900	\$ 0.54848	Monthly	Forecasted rate for your first month of service	\$ 0.00
Ohio Natural Gas	24766	\$ 0.65900	\$ 0.69848	Monthly		\$ 0.00
Palmco Energy OH, LLC		\$ 0.5294	\$ 0.5689	Monthly	Introductory rate for the first 2 months	\$ 0.00

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### **Chart Definitions**

Ccf: One hundred cubic feet; a unit used to measure natural gas usage.

Contract Term: The length or duration of the contract (i.e. monthly, yearly, multiple-year).

County Sales Tax: When natural gas is purchased from another supplier or as part of Columbia's Standard Choice Offer (SCO) program, the natural gas is subject to Ohio sales or use tax. Because county sales tax rates vary throughout Ohio, the county sales tax is not included in the alternate supplier's total rate. For Columbia SCO customers, sales tax at an average of 6.75% is included in the current total SCO rate. Use the attached map to determine your county's actual sales tax rate.

**Current Offer**: Comprised of suppliers' current commodity options and base rates, exclusive of sales tax, the local utility transportation charge, and customer service charges. Commodity options may be a fixed, variable, or stable rate plan.

Fixed Rate Plan: A constant rate for the contracted period.

**Gross Receipts Tax**: The local utility must pay a gross receipts excise tax of 4.987% which is applied to the combined Monthly Customer Charge and the Transportation rates charged on the volume of gas consumed (per Ccf).

#### Questions to ask Suppliers

- Are there any deposit requirements?
- Do you charge any early termination fees?
   If so, how much?
- Do you charge any switching, membership, or other fees?
- Are you certified by the PUCO?
- Is your rate fixed, or does it change?
- If it is a variable rate, how does it change?
- Is there a customer incentive for signing up?
- Are there any built-in price increases or decreases?
- Are there any special add-on services?
- How long is the contract for this offer?
- Does your service cover all months of the year?
- What happens when my contract expires?
- Will I receive one or two bills a month?

Standard Choice Offer (SCO): A monthly variable rate and represents cost associated with the securing gas for CGO customers. The rate is based on the New York Mercantile Exchange month-end settlement price, plus a Retail Price Adjustment of \$0.129 per ccf. The Retail Price Adjustment of \$0.129 per ccf will be in effect from April 1, 2013 through March 31. 2014.

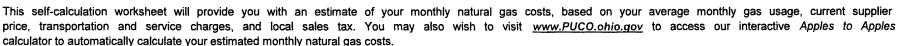
Supplier Name: PUCO-certified suppliers that are actively enrolling new customers.

Supplier Total Rate: Comprised of the supplier's natural gas commodity prices, plus the LDC transportation rate charge.

Transportation Rate Charge: The transportation rate charge, which can fluctuate quarterly, is comprised of a base rate, PUCO approved and tariffed riders, and a Gross Receipts Tax.

Variable Rate Plan: A fluctuating rate within the contracted period.

### **Self-Calculation Worksheet**



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Step 1: Supplier Offer Insert the supplier's current offer.	Supplier Offer: \$0	.50796/Ccf	Supplier Offer: \$	/Ccf
Step 2: Figure your Average Monthly Usage Divide your annual gas usage in Ccf (provided	(annual gas usage)	804 Ccf + 12	(annual gas usage)	/Ccf +12
on your monthly bill) by 12.	Average Monthly Usage:	67 Ccf	Average Monthly Usage:	Ccf
Step 3: Supplier Charge	(supplier offer)	\$0.50796	(supplier offer)	\$
Multiply the supplier offer by your monthly gas	(average monthly usage)	<u>x 67</u>	(average monthly usage)	x \$
usage.	Supplier Charge:	\$ 34.03	Supplier Charge:	\$
Step 4: Tax on Supplier Charge	(supplier charge)	\$ 34.03	(supplier charge)	\$
Multiply the supplier charge by your county	(county sales tax rate)	x 0.07	(county sales tax rate)	x 0
sales tax rate that can be ascertained online through the Ohio Department of Taxation.	Tax on Supplier Charge:	\$ 2.21	Tax on Supplier Charge:	\$
Step 5: Transportation (Delivery) Charge	(delivery rate)	\$0.03948	(delivery rate)	\$0.03948
Multiply the delivery rate by your average	(average monthly usage)	x 67	(average monthly usage)	x
monthly usage (includes gross receipts tax).	Delivery Charge:	\$ 2.65	Delivery Charge:	\$
Ohen Co Omention Father that I Handleh On the	(supplier charge)	\$ 34.03	(supplier charge)	\$
Step 6: Supplier Estimated Monthly Cost	(sales tax on supplier charge)	2.21	(sales tax on supplier charge)	
Add the supplier charge, the tax on supplier	(delivery charge)	2.65	(delivery charge)	
charge, the delivery charge, and a monthly	(monthly customer charge)	+ 23.64	(monthly customer charge)	+ 23.64
customer charge of \$23.64 (includes riser surcharge and gross receipts tax).	Supplier Estimated Monthly Cost:	\$ 62.70	Supplier Estimated Monthly Cost:	\$
Step 7: Columbia Gas of Ohio (CGO)	(CGO's current total rate)	\$0.55796	(CGO's current total rate)	\$0.55796
Estimated Monthly Cost	(average monthly usage)	<u>x 67</u>	(average monthly usage)	X
Multiply CGO's current total rate (includes gas	(subtotal)	37.38	(subtotal)	
charges with an applicable average sales tax of	(monthly customer charge)	+ 23.64	(monthly customer charge)	+ 23.64
6.75%, and delivery charges including a gross reciepts tax) by your average monthly usage, then add the monthly customer charge.	CGO Estimated Monthly Cost:	\$ 61.02	CGO Estimated Monthly Cost:	\$

Step 8: Compare Compare the supplier's estimated monthly cost The Public Utilities as of Ohio.

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Supplier: \$62.70/month Columbia Gas of Ohio: \$61.02/month
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Supplier: \$

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1.1	Fixed 0.649 ccf	11 Month(s)	0	Sample	Fixed rate through March 2014 billing cycle.
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New York Ga	s & Electric				
	Variable 0.5109 ccf	1 Month(s)	\$0	<u>View</u> Sample	Variable price offer. Visit www.NYGandE.com to learn more.
North Ameri	can Power & Gas, LLC				
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ť	Variable 0.599 ccf	1 Month(s)	0	<u>View</u> Sample	Variable month to month pricing. 25% Carbon Offset.
í	Variable 0.734 ccf	1 Month(s)	\$0	View	Promotional period followed by variable pricing month to month. 100% Carbon Offset
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Ш	XOOM Ener	gy New York, LLC				**************************************
	ſ":	Variable 0.539 ccf	1 Month(s)	\$0 - None	<u>View</u> Sample	FOR NEW CUSTOMERS - Enroll on our variable rate plan and get the listed Introductory Rate on your first two bills. The rate listed reflects the variable rate for the month of August.
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Columbia Gas Customer CHOICE Program

### COLUMBIA GAS CUSTOMER CHOICE

In September, 2000 Columbia Gas of Kentucky initiated, with the approval of the Kentucky Public Service Commission, a three-year pilot program called "Columbia Customer Choice." The program allows residential and small commercial customers of Columbia Gas of Kentucky to choose an alternative gas supplier, that is a gas marketing company. Customers may also choose to continue having Columbia Gas of Kentucky as their gas supplier. Whether a customer chooses to purchase gas from an alternative supplier or from Columbia Gas, Columbia will be the company responsible for transporting and distributing the gas to the customer. Any savings under the program will affect the portion of a customers bill labeled, "Gas Supply Costs."

Columbia will continue to deliver gas to your home or business, will read your meter and will respond to your safety concerns. You will continue to be billed directly by Columbia Gas. Columbia will reimburse the marketer for the gas you have used.

#### Gas Cost Comparison Chart

While no one can make a decision for you, the Kentucky PSC offers information that can help residential customers make an informed choice. Below is a chart listing the marketers that Columbia Gas has approved to participate in the pilot program and an estimate of the annual costs of each offering, assuming you use 120 Mcf annually, which is typical for a residential customer. An "Mcf" is the unit of measure under which gas is sold. It is equal to one thousand cubic feet of natural gas.

The information in this chart will assist residential customers in comparing and calculating the various options being offered. The information is the most recently provided to the Commission by Columbia Gas. The first of each month, the Kentucky PSC will update its comparison. You may use the information from this chart in the sample bill attached below the chart as an additional tool to assist you in evaluating the various options offered by the approved marketers. It is important to note that a marketer may change its offer without prior notice to this Commission.

COMPARISON CHART OF MARRETER OFFERS

SUPPLIER	PRICE OPTIONS *	GAS SUPPLY COSTS** as of July 2013	ESTIMATED ANNUAL TOTAL GAS COST****
Columbia Gas of Kentucky (CKY) 800-866-4GAS	Current Gas Cost Recovery Rate** plus applicable taxes.	EGC \$\$6.8566	\$823
http://www.columbiagasky.com	applicable taxes.	GCR \$5.1354	\$616
Gateway Energy Services	Fixed price of \$7.39 per Mcf through 7/31/14	\$7.39	\$887
Interstate Gas Supply (IGS)			
<b>877-444-7427</b> http://www.IGSenergy.com	Fixed price of \$6.49/mcf through 9/2013	\$6.49	\$779
Constellation Energy Gas Choice, Inc. formerly	Fixed price of \$5.99 per Mcf	\$5.99	\$719
MXEnergy.com/Constellation 800-785-4373 http://www.mxenergy.com	for 12 billing cycles Variable price of \$7.79 per Mcf (month to month)	\$7.79	\$935
Volunteer Energy Services 800-977-8374 http://www.volunteerenergy.com	Variable price of \$5.69 per Mcf (month to month)	\$5.69	\$683
Stand Energy (Stand) 800-598-2046 http://www.standenergy.com	Currently no offers		
Kentucky Gas & Electric 888-919-5943	Variable price of \$3.99 per Mcf (month to month)	\$3.99	\$479
Kentucky United Energy 855-735-7304 http://www.kyunitedenergy.com	Fixed price of \$6.99/mcf for 12 billing cycles	\$6.99	\$839
Columbia Retail Energy	Discontinued		

Center Point Energy Services	Currently no offers		
Xoom Energy	Variable price of \$3.99 per month (month to month)	\$43.99	\$479

- \* The rates disclosed are those most recently provided to the Ky. PSC. As market conditions change, a marketer may change the rates it offers without notice.
- \*\* The Gas Cost Recovery Rate or "GCR" is the cost of gas per Mcf currently being charged by Columbia Gas. This rate typically changes on a quarterly basis as Columbia files with the Commission to collect from customers its true cost of gas.
- \*\*\*This rate does not include Columbia's transportation charges or Columbia's minimum monthly charge of \$9.30 for residential customers.
- \*\*\*\* For purposes of this chart, we have calculated estimated annual total gas costs using 120 Mcf as the average annual residential usage. A typical residential consumer uses 14 to 17 Mcf per month during the winter months. Your actual cost will vary according to your actual usage.

SAMPLE CALCULATION

If paying in person, please bring entire bill with you.





Your Account Number 63636363 001 000 0

Billing Summary For: JOHN D. CUSTOMER
1234 MAIN CROSS STREET
LEXINGTON, KY 40500

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#### **Utility Services**

#### **Prior Billing Information**

Account Balance on Last Bill	\$25.53
Payments Received as of 09-26-2000 THANK YOU!	\$25.53 CR
Previous Balance at Billing	

ent Charges for Residential Service Rate Schedule GSR

Minimum Monthly Charge Base Rate Charge for first Mcf	\$8.10 \$810
Gas Delivery Charge Base Rate Charge on Mcf over 1	\$3.49 \$2.10 × 1 6 Mel
Gas Supply Cost	\$17.78 (\$1 3942 + \$5 4440) × 2 6
LexFay. Urban Govt. Franchise Fee 2% of Total of above charges	\$.59 2% of \$29.07
School Tax 3% of Total of gas charges	\$.88 3% of \$29 37
Customer Assistance Program Surcharge 1.5 cents per Mc1	\$.04 \$00.0150 x 2 6 Mc1
Current Month Charges	\$30

#### **Amount Due**

\$30.88

\$.00

### Please Pay Amount Due By :: October 25; 2000

\$30.88

### **Meter Information**

#### Next Meter Reading Date: November 9, 2000

Meter Number	Billing Period From To		Days	<u>Meter F</u> From	Gas Used		
D438080 1234 MAIN CRO	09-12-2000 <b>35 ST</b>	10-11-2000	29	7036 Actual	7062 Actual	2.6 M	CI

### The average monthly usage is 6.3 MCF 12-Month Consumption is 75.9 MCF As Follows :

Month.	MCE	Month.	MCF	Month	MCF	Month	MCE	Month	MCE	Month	MCE
Nov 99	4.5	Jan 00	14.4	Mar 00	7.8	May 00	3.9	Jul 00	2.5	Sep 00	2.3
Dec 99	7.0	Feb 00	20.3	Apr 00	5.8	Jun 00	2.6	Aug 00	2.2	Oct 00	2.6

\*This is the line where the marketer's gas costs will be disclosed on your gas bill.

For questions regarding your bill, please call (859)288-0200 before your due date. The Customer Service Center telephone hours are Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p m. Walk in Lobby hours are Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Rate schedule information is available upon request.

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### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of:

CASE NO. 2013-00167

THE ADJUSTMENT OF RATES OF COLUMBIA: GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.

### INTERSTATE GAS SUPPLY INC.'S CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE REGARDING DIRECT TESTIMONY OF MATTHEW S. WHITE

Comes the Interstate Gas Supply, Inc., by counsel, and hereby certifies that an original and ten (10) copies of the attached Direct Testimony was served via hand-delivery upon Jeff Derouen, Executive Director, Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615; furthermore, it was served by mailing a copy by first class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the following, and by electronic mail where available all on this 11th day of September 2013.

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