

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

MICHAEL L. PAWLEY)	
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COMPLAINANT)	
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V.)	CASE NO.
)	2022-00019
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COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.)	
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DEFENDANT)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia Kentucky), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on May 27, 2022. The Commission directs Columbia Kentucky to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or the

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Columbia Kentucky shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Columbia Kentucky obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which Columbia Kentucky fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Columbia Kentucky shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, Columbia Kentucky shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to the Commission's November 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2021-00403,² page 3, finding paragraph 9, Columbia Kentucky Tariff Sheet No. 48 stating "The GCA shall become effective for billing with the final meter readings of the first billing cycle

² Case No. 2021-00403, *Electronic Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.* (Ky. PSC Nov. 22, 2021).

of each quarterly calendar period,” and Tariff Sheet No. 49 defining “quarterly calendar period”.

a. Confirm that the referenced provisions in the Order and the Tariff would result in different effective dates for the GCA rate increase as applied to Mr. Pawley’s bill at issue.

b. Explain how Columbia Kentucky would apply the specified Tariff provisions to Mr. Pawley’s bills for usage from October 2021 to present.

c. If confirmed that different effective dates for the GCA rate increase as applied to Mr. Pawley’s bill at issue would result from application of the provisions of the Order or the Tariff, state why one method was used over the other.

d. Confirm that Columbia Kentucky applied the new rate to gas usage for a period including days prior to the effective date of the GCA rate increase.

e. If confirmed, explain how this is permitted by the specified Order or the Tariff.

f. Explain why Columbia Kentucky first applied the GCA rate increase during a billing cycle instead of at the start of the next full billing cycle.

g. Confirm that Columbia Kentucky’s GCA true-up mechanism is based on the use of calendar quarters as defined in Tariff Sheet No. 29.



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