

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF )  
KENTUCKY, INC., TO REVISE TARIFF ) CASE NO.  
PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO TERMINATION ) 8495  
OF CERTAIN CUSTOMERS' SERVICE )

O R D E R

On April 5, 1982, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., ("Columbia") filed an application with this Commission requesting authority to continue using a termination procedure that deviates from the PSC's general termination procedure in 807 KAR 5:006, Section 11(2)(a). Specifically, Columbia asks that the following language be applicable to customers who receive gas service under its IUS-1 (interruptible) tariff:

If such failure to pay on the part of any Buyer under Seller's IUS-1 Rate Schedule continues for thirty (30) days after payment is due, Seller, in addition to any other remedy it may have hereunder, may, after application to and authorization by the governmental authority having jurisdiction, suspend further delivery of gas until such amount is paid.

Columbia, nevertheless, neglects to tell this Commission why it feels it needs this special termination procedure for one class of customers only.

KRS 278.170(1) states as follows:

No utility shall, as to rates or service, give any unreasonable preference or advantage to any person or subject any person to any unreasonable prejudice or disadvantage, or establish and maintain any unreasonable difference between localities or between classes of service for doing a like and contemporaneous service under the same or substantially the same conditions. (Emphasis supplied.)

Since Columbia has failed to give any reason why it should have a different termination policy for its IUS-1 customers than all its other customers, the Commission hereby finds that Columbia's request for such a different termination policy for this class of customers is unreasonable and should be denied.

Based upon the above finding and being advised, the COMMISSION HEREBY ORDERS that the application of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., for a special termination procedure for its IUS-1 customers be, and it hereby is, denied.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky this 14th day of May, 1982.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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