

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE RATES)
OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.) CASE NO. 94-179
ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 1995)

O R D E R

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia Gas") has moved to amend its application to show the effective date of its proposed rates as July 1, 1994 and to amend the caption of this case. No intervenor opposes this motion.

Having considered the motion and the record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Provided that the Commission retains the authority to suspend the operation of the proposed rates pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), Columbia Gas's motion to amend should be granted.

2. Columbia Gas should publish, in accordance with Commission Regulations 807 KAR 5:001, Section 10(4), and 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8, notice of the proposed rate adjustment with the amended effective date.

3. Insofar as the change in the effective date of the proposed rates may have rendered Columbia Gas's previous notice of rate adjustment as ineffective and any subsequent notice as untimely, Columbia Gas should be granted a deviation from Commission Regulations 807 KAR 5:001, Section 10(4) and 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8.

4. Further proceedings are necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that such proceedings cannot be completed prior to the amended effective date of the proposed rate.

5. Columbia Gas's motion to amend the caption of this case should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Provided that the Commission retains the authority to suspend the operation of the proposed rates pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), Columbia Gas's motion to amend is granted.

2. Columbia Gas shall publish, in accordance with Commission Regulation 807 KAR 5:001, Section 10(4), notice of the proposed rate adjustment with the amended effective date.

3. Insofar as the change in the effective date of the proposed rates may have rendered Columbia Gas's previous notice of rate adjustment ineffective and any subsequent notice untimely, Columbia Gas is granted a deviation from Commission Regulation 807 KAR 5:001, Section 10(4).

4. The rates proposed in Columbia Gas's application are suspended for the period through and including December 31, 1994.

5. The procedural schedule set forth in Appendix A to this Order shall be followed.

6. All requests for information and responses thereto shall be appropriately indexed. All responses shall include the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to the questions

related to the information provided, with copies to all parties of record and 15 copies to the Commission.

7. Columbia Gas shall transmit all requests for information and responses thereto and rebuttal testimony to all parties of record and their designated experts by express overnight mail.

8. Columbia Gas shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions of Commission Regulations 807 KAR 5:001, Section 10(5) and 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(5). At the time publication is requested, it shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

9. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule in Appendix A shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause. Where the parties mutually agree to changes in the discovery portion of the procedural schedule, they shall advise the Commission in writing of such agreement.

10. Columbia Gas's motion to amend the caption of this case is granted. The caption of this case shall henceforth be "NOTICE OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE RATES OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC. ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 1994."

11. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 11th day of July, 1994.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Executive Director


For the Commission

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 94-179 DATED July 11, 1994

All requests for information to Columbia Gas shall
be due no later than 07/18/94

Columbia Gas shall serve responses to
the requests for information no later than 08/01/94

Supplemental requests for information to
Columbia Gas shall be served no later than 08/15/94

Columbia Gas shall mail or deliver responses
to supplemental requests for information no
later than 08/29/94

Intervenor testimony, if any, shall be filed
in verified prepared form no later than 09/13/94

All requests for information to Intervenors
shall be due no later than 09/27/94

Intervenors shall serve responses
to requests for information no later than 10/11/94

Rebuttal testimony, if any, shall be filed
in verified prepared form no later than 10/20/94

Last day for Columbia Gas to publish notice
of hearing date 10/25/94

Public Hearing is to begin at 9:00 a.m., Eastern
Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's
offices at 730 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky,
for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses
of Columbia Gas and the Intervenors 11/01/94