

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE JOINT APPLICATION OF NISOURCE, INC. AND)
COLUMBIA ENERGY GROUP FOR APPROVAL TO) CASE NO. 2000-129
TRANSFER OWNERSHIP OF COLUMBIA GAS OF)
KENTUCKY, INC.)

O R D E R

This matter arising upon the motion of Stand Energy Corporation, a Kentucky Corporation ("SEC"), filed April 18, 2000, for full intervention, and it appearing to the Commission that SEC's intervention is likely to present issues and develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings, and this Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised,

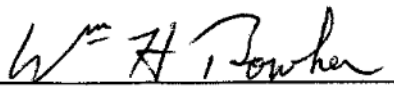
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The motion of SEC to intervene is granted.
2. SEC shall be entitled to the full rights of a party and shall be served with the Commission's Orders and with filed testimony, exhibits, pleadings, correspondence, and all other documents submitted by parties after the date of this Order.
3. Should SEC file documents of any kind with the Commission in the course of these proceedings, it shall also serve a copy of said documents on all other parties of record.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 5th day of May, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Deputy 
Executive Director