

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF)	CASE NO.
KENTUCKY, INC. FOR AN ADJUSTMENT)	2009-00141
IN RATES)	

O R D E R

On May 1, 2009, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia"), tendered for filing an application for a rate adjustment based on a historical test period. The application proposed that the new rates become effective on May 31, 2009. Based on a review of Columbia's application, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates. We also find that the investigation cannot be completed by May 31, 2009. Therefore, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission will suspend the effective date of the proposed rates for five months.

The Commission expects the parties to use their best efforts to informally resolve any discovery disputes or requests for extensions of time. Absent informal resolution, an objection or motion should be filed at least four business days prior to the established due date. If this deadline is not met, the filing party should include in the written objection or motion a full and complete explanation for such failure.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Columbia's proposed rates are suspended for five months, up to and including October 30, 2009.

2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix which is attached hereto and incorporated herein shall be followed in matters pertaining to Columbia's proposed increase in rates.

3. a. All requests for information and responses thereto shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed and the original and ten copies shall be filed with the Commission, with copies to all parties of record. Any request for information by letter from the Commission Staff shall be responded to as if set forth in a Commission Order. All responses shall include the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to questions related to the information provided.

b. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or an association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or 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.

c. A party shall make timely amendment to any prior responses if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect.

d. For any requests to which a party fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

4. Any party filing testimony shall file an original and 10 copies with the Commission, with copies to all parties of record.

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

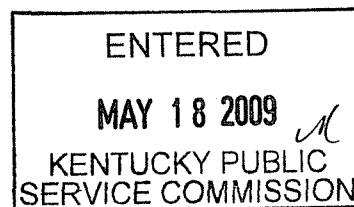
6. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.

7. Any objections or motions relating to discovery or procedural dates shall be filed upon 4 business days' notice or the filing party shall explain, in writing, why such notice was not possible.

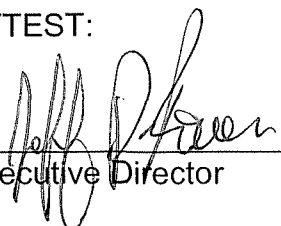
8. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

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

By the Commission



ATTEST:



Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2009-00141 DATED **MAY 18 2009**

- All requests for information to Columbia shall
be filed no later than 06/02/09
- Columbia shall file responses to requests for
information no later than 06/16/09
- All supplemental requests for information to Columbia
shall be filed no later than 06/30/09
- Columbia shall file response to supplemental requests
for information no later than 07/14/09
- Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared
form shall be filed no later than 07/27/09
- All requests for information to Intervenors shall
be filed no later than 08/10/09
- Intervenors shall file responses to requests for
information no later than 08/24/09
- Columbia shall file, in verified form, its rebuttal
testimony no later than 09/03/09
- Last day for Columbia to publish notice of hearing To be scheduled
- Public Hearing to be held in Hearing Room 1
of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard,
Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination
of witnesses of Columbia and Intervenors To be scheduled
- Simultaneous Briefs, if any To be scheduled

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