COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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

ORDER

This matter is before the Commission on Interstate Gas Supply, Inc.'s ("IGS") motion for reconsideration of the Commission's June 26, 2009 Order denying IGS full intervention in this proceeding. On July 8, 2009, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia") filed a memorandum objecting to IGS's motion for reconsideration and requesting that the Commission deny the motion or, in the alternative, restrict IGS's intervention to specific issues. By this Order, we grant IGS's motion for reconsideration and approve its request for full intervention.

IGS supported its original motion for intervention with the fact that it was a marketer in Columbia's Choice Program. Based on that motion, the Commission found that, since Columbia had proposed no changes in its Choice Program, IGS had failed to satisfy the criteria for intervention.

In its motion for reconsideration, IGS provided additional information in support of its request for intervention. It states that Columbia proposes to implement two new services, a Price Protection Service ("PPS") and a Negotiated Sales Service, to be

largely unregulated and subsidized by Columbia using existing call centers and advertising in utility bills. IGS asserts that it provides almost indistinguishable services to those proposed by Columbia in these two new services; that, as a result, it has a special interest that is not otherwise adequately represented in this proceeding; and that its intervention will assist the Commission in rendering a decision in this matter.

Columbia argues to the contrary. It asserts that the Commission clearly explained its findings in its Order of June 26, 2009 about why IGS had failed to meet the criteria for intervention and that IGS's motion for reconsideration has not provided the Commission with any additional information sufficient to disturb those findings. Columbia pleads in the alternative, however, that the Commission prescribe limitations on the issues that IGS may pursue if the Commission finds that IGS should be granted intervention.

In addition to the motion for reconsideration, IGS filed a set of data requests which it propounded to Columbia. It requests that the Commission permit the filing of these requests and allow Columbia additional time to respond. Given the Commission's decision denying IGS's intervention and the filing of said requests outside the procedural schedule established for this proceeding, Columbia has filed no responses.

Columbia proposes to implement a PPS tariff as a fixed price sales service offered to its residential, commercial, and industrial customers with usage less than 25,000 Mcf per year. The Commission finds that IGS, as a marketer in Columbia's Choice Program, has a unique interest in this proposal that is not otherwise adequately represented and that it is likely to assist the Commission in rendering its decision in this matter without unduly complicating the proceedings.

The Commission, having reviewed the motion for reconsideration and Columbia's response thereto, finds that IGS's motion and its request for full intervention should be granted without limitation as to the issues it may address or raise. We further find that Columbia should respond to the data requests submitted by IGS within ten days of the date of this Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. IGS is granted full intervention in this matter without limitation as to the issues it may address or raise.
- 2. Columbia shall respond to the data requests filed by IGS no later than 10 days from the date of this Order.

By the Commission

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