## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.	)	
TO ESTABLISH A REGULATORY ASSET RELATED	)	CASE NO
TO PENSION AND OTHER POST-RETIREMENT	)	2009-00168
BENEFIT EXPENSES	)	

### ORDER

On April 23, 2009, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia") filed a request for approval to establish a regulatory asset related to pension and other post-retirement benefit expenses. Having reviewed Columbia's filing, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the request. We also find that the procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, should be followed in this proceeding.

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. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix which is attached hereto and incorporated herein shall be followed in this proceeding.

- 2. a. All requests for information and responses thereto shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed and the original and seven 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 response 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 request 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.
- 3. Any party filing testimony shall file an original and seven copies with the Commission, with copies to all parties of record.

4. Columbia shall give notice of any hearing in this matter 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.

5. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor

summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.

6. Any objections or motions relating to discovery or procedural dates shall

be filed upon four business days' notice or the filing party shall explain, in writing, why

such notice was not possible.

7. 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.

8. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering

further Orders in this matter.

By the Commission

**ENTERED** 

MAY 2 2 2009

KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST

Executive Director

# **APPENDIX**

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2009-00168 DATED MAY 2 2 2009

All initial requests for information to Columbia shall be filed no later than
Columbia shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than
All supplemental requests for information to Columbia shall be filed no later than
Columbia shall file its response to supplemental requests for information no later than
Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared form, or Intervenor comments in lieu of testimony, if any, shall be filed no later than
All requests for information to Intervenors, or Columbia's reply to Intervenor comments, shall be filed no later than
Intervenors shall file responses to requests for information no later than

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