

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN INVESTIGATION OF NATURAL GAS) ADMINISTRATIVE
RETAIL COMPETITION PROGRAMS) CASE NO. 2010-00146

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST TO
COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original and 10 copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due no later than July 29, 2010. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or 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.

Columbia 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. For any request to which Columbia fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information,

Columbia shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations.

1. Refer to the Prepared Direct Testimony of Judy M. Cooper ("Cooper Testimony"), page 4. Explain why Columbia filed a motion on June 6, 2003 requesting to terminate the pilot Customer Choice Program ("Choice Program") after less than three years of operation and why Columbia subsequently withdrew the motion.

2. Refer to page 8 of the Cooper Testimony. Describe the transition and stranded costs experienced by Columbia in the early years of the Choice Program, including the nature and magnitude of the costs.

3. Explain whether Columbia considers the Choice Program to be a success.

4. Explain whether Columbia believes the Choice Program has benefited its participating customers and, if so, how they have benefited.

5. Explain whether there has been a negative impact on franchise and school tax revenues as a result of the Choice Program.



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