COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.CASE NO.FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF RATES FOR GAS SERVICE2013-00167

<u>ORDER</u>

On May 29, 2013, Columbia Gas of Kentucky ("Columbia") tendered for filing an application for an adjustment of its gas rates based on a forecasted test period. The application proposed that the new rates become effective on June 30, 2013. Having reviewed Columbia's application, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that the investigation cannot be completed by June 30, 2013. Therefore, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission will suspend the effective date of the proposed rates for six 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 six months, up to and including December 29, 2013.

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

3. a. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately indexed, bound and tabbed. 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.

Any party filing testimony shall file with the Commission the original and
10 copies.

6. Columbia shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set out in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b). At the time publication is requested, Columbia shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

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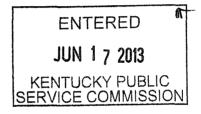
7. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.

8. 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.

9. 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.

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

By the Commission



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APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2013-00167 DATED JUN 1 7 2013

Last day for intervention requests to be accepted06/28/13
All requests for information to Columbia shall be filed no later than07/12/13
Columbia shall file responses to requests for information no later than07/26/13
All supplemental requests for information to Columbia shall be filed no later than08/08/13
Columbia shall file responses to supplemental requests for information no later than08/21/13
Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared form shall be filed no later than09/04/13
All requests for information to Intervenors shall be filed no later than09/18/13
Intervenors shall file responses to requests for information no later than
Columbia shall file, in verified form, its rebuttal testimony no later than
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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