

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY,)	
INC. TO EXTEND ITS GAS COST ADJUSTMENT)	CASE NO.
PERFORMANCE BASED RATE MECHANISM)	2017-00453

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 ten copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due no later than ten days from the date of this request. 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.

1. Refer to the annual Performance Based Rate (“PBR”) reports filed in the record of Case No. 2014-00350¹ on May 13, 2016 and May 1, 2017.

a. To the extent the data is in Excel spreadsheet format, provide the spreadsheets with all formulas intact and unprotected and all rows and columns accessible.

b. Provide summary annual information showing individually the total PBR savings resulting from the Gas Cost Incentive (“GCI”), the Transportation Cost Incentive (“TCI”), and the Off-system Sales Incentive (“OSSl”), as well as the annual sharing portions of Columbia and its customers respectively.

2. Refer to the application, page 2, paragraph (d), which states that the PBR mechanism provides greater gas cost savings than would be realized absent the incentive mechanism. State whether the mechanism as approved in Case No. 2014-00350 results in greater gas cost savings than the previously approved mechanism.

3. Refer to the application, page 3, paragraph (f). Provide a discussion of the creative supply arrangements that have been pursued and developed since the 2015

¹ Case No. 2014-00350, *Application of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. to Consolidate and Convert its Gas Cost Incentive Mechanism and its Off-System Sales and Capacity Release Revenue Sharing Mechanism into a Performance-Based Rate Mechanism* (Ky. PSC, March 27, 2015).

approval of the revised PBR mechanism, and how they have resulted in greater gas cost savings. The discussion should specifically include the efforts for which the GCI, TCI, and OSSI have provided incentives resulting in greater savings compared with savings previously realized through the PBR.



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