COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION OF THE IMPACT) OF THE TAX CUTS AND JOB ACT ON THE RATES) OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.) CASE NO. 2018-00041

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

Columbia Gas Of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia Gas"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original in paper medium and an electronic version of the following information. The information requested herein is due on or before April 23, 2018. Responses to requests for information in paper medium 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 the 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 Gas shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information that 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 Gas fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, it shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall 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 filing a paper containing personal information, Columbia Gas shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to Columbia Gas's responses to the Commission Staff's First Request for Information, Item 9., Item 20., and Item 21., Attachment B, Deferred Income Taxes Balance as of December 31, 2017. Columbia Gas defines its unprotected excess accumulated deferred income taxes ("ADIT") as all remaining ADIT that is not reversing over the book depreciation life of Columbia Gas's plant. Columbia Gas added that its unprotected ADIT is a net deferred tax asset whose amortization would be an increase to the Federal Income Tax ("FIT") expense.

a. For each unprotected ADIT listed in Item 21., Attachment B, identify the year it was originally recorded, the number of years over which it is currently being amortized, and the amount that Columbia Gas originally recorded.

b. Explain if each unprotected ADIT listed in the response to 1.a. was included in Columbia Gas's proposed rate base in Case No. 2016-00162.¹

¹ Case No. 2016-00162, Application of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. for an Increase in Base Rates (Ky. PSC Dec. 22, 2016).

(1) If the response to Item 1.b. is no, provide a detailed explanation as to why each unprotected ADIT was not included.

(2) If the response to Item 1.b. is yes, identify the amount of each unprotected ADIT that was included in Columbia Gas's proposed rate base and in which rate-base category it was recorded.

c. Provide a complete detailed description of each unprotected ADIT listed in the table below and explain why Columbia Gas is entitled to recover from its ratepayers the amortization of any of the excess unprotected ADIT.

| | | Balance | Difference |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Balance | After Rate | (Excess)/ |
| Property | 12/31/2017 | Change | Deficient |
| LIFO Storage Adjustment | 2,418,815 | 1,415,158 | 1,003,657 |
| Charitable Contributions | 366,869 | 220,122 | 146,747 |
| Charitable Contributions Reserve | (213,554) | (128,132) | (85,422) |
| Deferred Intercom Gain/Loss | 1,265,250 | 740,250 | 525,000 |
| Accd Liab-Profit Sharing | 70,980 | 41,528 | 29,452 |
| Accd Liab-Incentive Compensation | 471,670 | 275,956 | 195,714 |
| Stock Comp LTIP | 104,827 | 61,330 | 43,497 |
| Custmr Advn for Constr NonCur | 1,075,181 | 629,048 | 446,133 |
| Federal NOL | 5,204,791 | 4,178,788 | 1,026,003 |
| Fed Benefit of State | (75,457) | 98,871 | (174,328) |

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