### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FILING ) CASE NO. OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC. ) 2020-00029

### ORDER

On January 31, 2020, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia Kentucky) filed its proposed Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) report to be effective March 2, 2020. After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

- Columbia Kentucky's report includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in gas costs.
- Columbia Kentucky's report sets out an Expected Gas Cost (EGC) of \$3.5284 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.8519 per Mcf from its previous EGC of \$4.3803 per Mcf.
- 3. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a rate for Banking and Balancing Service of \$.0207 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.0002 per Mcf from its previous Banking and Balancing Service rate of \$.0209 per Mcf.
- Columbia Kentucky's report sets out no supplier Refund Adjustment (RA),
   which is no change from its previous total RA.
- 5. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a current quarter Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) of \$.3687 per Mcf. Columbia Kentucky's total ACA is (\$.4383) per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.1596 per Mcf from its previous total ACA of (\$.2787) per Mcf.

- 6. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a Balancing Adjustment (BA) of \$.0045 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.0326 per Mcf from its previous BA of \$.0371 per Mcf.
- 7. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out no Special Agency Service (SAS) refund adjustment, which is no change from its previous SAS refund adjustment.
- 8. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a Performance-Based Rate (PBR) Adjustment of \$.3393 per Mcf, which is no change from its previous PBR Adjustment.
- Columbia Kentucky's GCA is \$3.4339 per Mcf, which is a decrease of
   \$1.0441 per Mcf from the previous GCA of \$4.4780 per Mcf.
- 10. The rates as proposed by Columbia Kentucky and set forth in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable and should be approved for billing beginning on March 2, 2020.
- 11. Should Columbia Kentucky purchase sustainable natural gas from a renewable source during the reporting period of any future GCR reports then the supplier, cost, and amount must be documented in its cover letter to the Commission.

### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The rates proposed by Columbia Kentucky and set forth in the Appendix to this Order are approved for billing beginning on March 2, 2020.
- Within 20 days of the date of entry of this Order, Columbia Kentucky shall file with this Commission, using the Commission's electronic Tariff Filing System, revised tariff sheets setting out the rates approved herein and reflecting that they were approved pursuant to this Order.
  - This case is closed and removed from the Commission's docket

## By the Commission

**ENTERED** 

FEB 2 0 2020

KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

**Executive Director** 

### **APPENDIX**

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2020-00029 DATED FEB 2 0 2020

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under the authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

#### CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE BILLING RATES

| SALES SERVICE  | Base Rate<br>Charge<br>\$            | Gas Cost Ad<br>Demand Co             |  | Total<br>Billing<br><u>Rate</u><br>\$ |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| RATE SCHEDULE GSR Delivery Charge per Mcf  | 3.5665                               | 1.1841                               | 2.2498   | 7.0004                                |
| RATE SCHEDULE GSO Commercial or Industrial First 50 Mcf or less per billing period Next 350 Mcf per billing period Next 600 Mcf per billing period Over 1,000 Mcf per billing period   | 3.0181<br>2.3295<br>2.2143<br>2.0143 | 1.1841<br>1.1841<br>1.1841<br>1.1841 | 2.2498<br>2.2498<br>2.2498<br>2.2498                                 | 6.4520<br>5.7634<br>5.6482<br>5.4482  |
| RATE SCHEDULE IS  First 30,000 Mcf per billing period Next 70,000 Mcf per billing period Over 100,000 Mcf per billing period Firm Service Demand Charge Demand Charge times Daily Firm | 0.6285<br>0.3737<br>0.3247           |                                      | 2.2498 <sup>2/</sup><br>2.2498 <sup>2/</sup><br>2.2498 <sup>2/</sup> | 2.8783<br>2.6235<br>2.5745            |
| Volume (Mcf) in Customer Service Agre  | eement                               | 6.4127                               |  | 6.4127                                |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Gas Cost Adjustment, as shown, is an adjustment per Mcf determined in accordance with the "Gas Cost Adjustment Clause" as set forth on Sheets 48 through 51 of Columbia Kentucky's Tariff. The Gas Cost Adjustment applicable to a customer who is receiving service under Rate Schedule GS or IUS and received service under Rate Schedule SVGTS shall be \$3.5284 per Mcf only for those months of the prior 12 months during which they were served under Rate Schedule SVGTS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> IS Customers may be subject to the Demand Gas Cost, under the conditions set forth on Sheets 14 and 15 of Columbia Kentucky's tariff.

| RATE SCHEDULE IUS  Delivery Charge per Mcf  | 1.1544         | 1.1841          | 2.2498                           | 4.5883           |
|---|----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| TRANSPORTATION SERVICE  |                |                 |                                  |                  |
| RATE SCHEDULE SS Standby Service Demand Charge per Modern Demand Charge times Daily Firm Volume (Mcf) in Customer Service Agree Standby Service Commodity Charge per          | eement         | 6.4127          | 2.2498                           | 6.4127<br>2.2498 |
| RATE SCHEDULE DS Banking and Balancing Service Rate per Mcf   |                | 0.0207          |                                  | 0.0207           |
| RATE SCHEDULE MLDS Banking and Balancing Service Rate per Mcf   |                | 0.0207          |                                  | 0.0207           |
| RATE SCHEDULE SVGTS   |                |                 | Base Rate<br>\$                  |                  |
| General Service Residential (SGVTS G<br>Delivery Charge per Mcf   | 3.5665         |                 |                                  |                  |
| General Service Other–Commercial or First 50 Mcf or less per billing period Next 350 Mcf per billing period Next 600 Mcf per billing period Over 1,000 Mcf per billing period | Industrial (SV | <u>GTS GSO)</u> | 3.018<br>2.329<br>2.218<br>2.018 | 95<br>43         |
| Intrastate Utility Service Delivery Charge per Mcf  |                |                 | 1.15                             | 44               |
|   |                |                 | Billing<br>\$                    | Rate             |
| Actual Gas Cost Adjustment 3  |                |                 | 0.04                             | 159              |
| RATE SCHEDULE SVAS  |                |                 |                                  |                  |
| Balancing Charge-per Mcf  |                |                 | 1.04                             | 185              |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Gas Cost Adjustment is applicable to a customer who is receiving service under Rate Schedule SVGTS and received service under Rate Schedule GS, IS, or IUS for only those months of the prior twelve months during which they were served under Rate Schedule GS, IS, or IUS.

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