COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC PURCHASED GAS)CASE NO.ADJUSTMENT FILING OF COLUMBIA GAS OF)2021-00027KENTUCKY, INC.))

<u>ORDER</u>

On January 29, 2021, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia Kentucky) filed its proposed Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) report to be effective March 1, 2021. Columbia Kentucky's previous rate was approved in Case No. 2020-00355.¹

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Columbia Kentucky's report includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in gas costs.

2. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out an Expected Gas Cost (EGC) of \$4.9702 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.3886 per Mcf from its previous EGC of \$4.5816 per Mcf.

3. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a rate for Banking and Balancing Service of \$.0469 per Mcf.

4. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out no supplier Refund Adjustment (RA), which is no change from its previous total RA.

¹ Case No. 2020-00355, *Electronic Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing Of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.* (Ky. PSC Nov. 24, 2020).

5. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a current quarter Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) of \$.1471 per Mcf. Columbia Kentucky's total ACA is (\$.7600) per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.2216 per Mcf from its previous total ACA of (\$.5384) per Mcf.

6. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a Balancing Adjustment (BA) of (\$.0141) per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.0080 per Mcf from its previous BA of (\$.0061) 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 \$.2167 per Mcf.

9. Columbia Kentucky's GCA is \$4.4128 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.1590 per Mcf from the previous GCA of \$4.2538 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 with the final meter readings beginning on March 1, 2021.

11. Should Columbia Kentucky purchase sustainable natural gas from a renewable source during the reporting period of any future GCA reports then the supplier, cost, and amount must be documented in its cover letter to the Commission.

12. As ordered by the Commission in Case No. 2018-00150,² Columbia Kentucky's future GCA reports should include an electronic version containing supporting calculations in Excel spreadsheet format with all formulas intact and unprotected, and with all columns and rows accessible.

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² Case No. 2018-00150, *Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.* (Ky. PSC May 16, 2018).

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 1, 2021.

2. 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.

3. Columbia Kentucky's future GCA reports shall include the information required in finding paragraph 12.

4. This case is closed and removed from the Commission's docket.

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By the Commission



ATTEST:

Bidwell

Executive Director

Case No. 2021-00027

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2021-00027 DATED FEB 22 2021

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

Total

SALES SERVICE	Base Rate <u>Charge</u> \$	Gas Cost A <u>Demand</u> <u>C</u> \$	•	Total Billing <u>Rate</u> \$
RATE SCHEDULE GSR Delivery Charge per Mcf	3.5665	2.1785	2.2343	7.9793
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 2.3295 2.2143 2.0143	2.1785 2.1785 2.1785 2.1785 2.1785	2.2343 2.2343 2.2343 2.2343 2.2343	7.4309 6.7423 6.6271 6.4271
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 Volume (Mcf) in Customer Service Agre	0.6285 0.3737 0.3247 eement	11.9517	2.2343 ^{2/} 2.2343 ^{2/} 2.2343 ^{2/}	2.8628 2.6080 2.5590 11.9517

¹ 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 \$4.9702 per Mcf only for those months of the prior 12 months during which they were served under Rate Schedule SVGTS.

² 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	2.1785	2.2343	5.5672
TRANSPORTATION SERVICE				
<u>RATE SCHEDULE SS</u> Standby Service Demand Charge per Demand Charge times Daily Firm Volume (Mcf) in Customer Service Age Standby Service Commodity Charge p	reement	11.9517	2.2343	11.9517 2.2343
RATE SCHEDULE DS Banking and Balancing Service Rate per Mcf		0.0469		0.0469
RATE SCHEDULE MLDS Banking and Balancing Service Rate per Mcf		0.0469		0.0469
RATE SCHEDULE SVGTS			Base R	ate
			<u>Base Na</u> \$	
General Service Residential (SGVTS (Delivery Charge per Mcf	<u>GSR)</u>		3.56	65
<u>General Service Other–Commercial or Industrial (SVGTS GSO)</u> 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 2.3295 2.2143 2.0143	
Intrastate Utility Service Delivery Charge per Mcf			1.15	44
			<u>Billing</u> \$	Rate
Actual Gas Cost Adjustment ³			\$(0.5834)	
RATE SCHEDULE SVAS				
Balancing Charge-per Mcf			1.62	245

³ 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 12 months during which they were served under Rate Schedule GS, IS, or IUS.

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