COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC. FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF RATES; APPROVAL OF DEPRECIATION STUDY; APPROVAL OF TARIFF REVISIONS; ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY; AND OTHER RELIEF

CASE NO. 2021-00183

On October 22, 2021, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia Kentucky) filed a motion in this proceeding requesting that The Commission allow its expert witness, Melissa Bartos, to appear virtually at the hearing scheduled to occur on November 3, 2021, through November 5, 2021. In support of its motion, Columbia Kentucky states that Ms. Bartos is the primary caregiver for her elderly parents who both have underlying health concerns and are at greater risk of contracting COVID-19. Further Columbia Kentucky states that appearing at the scheduled hearing in-person would require Ms. Bartos to travel by airplane from her place of residence in Massachusetts to Kentucky, and that Ms. Bartos would need to be in three airports to complete the journey. Columbia Kentucky further states that Ms. Bartos is concerned with the increase in COVID-19 cases and the risk this presents to her parents' health.

No party has objected to this motion. The Commission finds that there is good cause to grant Columbia Kentucky's motion and to permit Ms. Bartos to attend and testify

in the scheduled hearing virtually. Commission Staff will contact participants by electronic mail to provide details for joining the hearing by video link.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Columbia Kentucky's motion is granted.

2. Ms. Bartos shall appear and testify at the November 3, 2021 through November 5, 2021 hearing in this matter via video conferencing.

3. Commission Staff shall provide the parties with details for joining the hearing via video link.

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By the Commission



ATTEST:

<u>Executive Director</u>

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