COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC TARIFF FILING OF COLUMBIA)GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC. TO EXTEND ITS)SMALL VOLUME GAS TRANSPORTATION)SERVICE)

<u>COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION</u> <u>TO COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.</u>

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia Kentucky), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on November 11, 2021. The Commission directs Columbia Kentucky to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made, and 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

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19 (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Columbia Kentucky shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Columbia Kentucky obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which Columbia Kentucky fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Columbia Kentucky 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 applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, Columbia Kentucky shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Explain why Columbia Kentucky's Small Volume Aggregation Service and Small Volume Gas Transportation Service (CHOICE program) tariffs should be extended.

2. Refer to the CHOICE program survey responses. Provide an evaluation of the CHOICE program survey responses. The evaluation should include, but not be limited to, whether Columbia Kentucky believes there is any improvement in customer awareness of the CHOICE program and of their own status regarding the program since the 2012 survey.

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3. Provide an overview of Columbia Kentucky's CHOICE program education efforts since Case No. 2017-00115.²

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DATED <u>NOV 03 2021</u>

cc: Parties of Record

² Case No. 2017-00115, Tariff Filing of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. to Extend Its Small Volume Gas Transportation Service (Ky. PSC June 19, 2017).

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