COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matters of:

ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.'S FILING OF CUSTOMER CHOICE SURVEY RESULTS)))	CASE NO. 2020-00402
ELECTRONIC TARIFF FILING OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC. TO EXTEND ITS SMALL VOLUME GAS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE)))	CASE NO. 2021-00386

<u>O R D E R</u>

The Commission, on January 11, 2021, opened Case No. 2020-00402 to investigate the education efforts implemented by Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia Kentucky) and marketers participating in Columbia Kentucky's Small Volume Gas Transportation Service tariff and Small Volume Aggregation Service tariff, commonly known collectively as the "CHOICE program," as well as to rule on the adequacy of the September 30, 2020 CHOICE program Status Report, and to approve questions for the survey Columbia Kentucky was scheduled to conduct prior to September 30, 2021. The Commission, on its own motion, finds that for the reasons discussed below, the case record of Case No. 2020-00402 shall be incorporated by reference into the record of Case No. 2021-00386, and that Case No. 2020-00402 shall be closed and removed from the Commission's docket.

The Commission, on March 24, 2021, issued an Order in Case No. 2020-00402 that found the September 30, 2020 CHOICE program Status Report, together with the

record developed in Case No. 2020-00402, was adequate to describe the efforts of Columbia Kentucky and participating marketers to educate customers and to comply with the requirements of the Commission's June 19, 2017 Order in Case No. 2017-00115.¹ Additionally, the March 24, 2021 Order approved a customer survey to be used in 2021 by Columbia Kentucky. On July 9, 2021, Columbia Kentucky filed its summary report of the 2021 survey results into the record of Case 2020-00402. On September 30, 2021, Columbia Kentucky, using the Commission's electronic Tariff Filing System, filed a proposed extension of its CHOICE program along with the summary report of the 2021 survey results. By Order issued October 18, 2021, the Commission opened Case No. 2021-00386 to investigate the reasonableness of Columbia Kentucky's proposal to extend its CHOICE program through March 31, 2025.

Having examined the records of both proceedings and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that there is sufficient overlap of issues that the case record of Case No. 2020-00402 shall be incorporated by reference into Case No. 2021-00386. The Commission further finds that the event contemplated by the Commission in the investigation in Case No. 2020-00402 (the 2021 customer survey) has occurred, and therefore the record of Case No. 2020-00402 shall be closed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The case record of Case No. 2020-00402 is incorporated by reference into the case record of Case No. 2021-00386.

¹ 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).

2. Case No. 2020-00402 is closed and removed from the Commission's docket.

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