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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

April 6, 2016

Hon. Jim Gardner Acting Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission P.O. Box 615 211 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

RE: Case No. 2000-129

Dear Sir,

As part of the Order issued by the Commission in the above referenced case, Columbia Gas of Kentucky was required to notify the Commission after paying any dividend or transferring more than five percent of the retained earnings of Columbia Gas of Kentucky to Columbia Energy or NiSource. Pursuant to the Commission's Order, Columbia Gas of Kentucky offers the following report.

On March 31, 2016, Columbia Gas of Kentucky issued a dividend to NiSource Gas Distribution Group, Inc., in the amount of \$4,000,000. NiSource Gas Distribution Group, Inc., then paid a dividend to NiSource Inc. for the same amount. A resolution declaring the dividend from the Board of Directors is attached.

Please let me know if you need additional information regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,

Judy M. Cooper

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## UNANIMOUS WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.

The undersigned, being all of the directors of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., a Kentucky corporation (the "Company"), do hereby consent and agree to the adoption of the following recital and resolutions in lieu of a special meeting of the board of directors pursuant to Section 271B.8-210 of the Kentucky Business Corporation Act:

#### **DIVIDEND DECLARATION**

WHEREAS, the board of directors of the Company believes it to be in the best interest of the Company to declare a dividend.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a dividend of \$4,000,000 is hereby declared out of the earnings of the Company, payable on or about March 31, 2016, to the sole stockholder of record as of March 29, 2016 (the "Dividend").

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any proper officer of the Company is hereby authorized to execute and deliver any and all documents, instruments, agreements and certificates, and to perform all such further acts, as such officer shall determine to be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the Dividend and the purpose and intent of the foregoing recital and resolution, such determination to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of such documents, instruments, agreement and certificates or the taking of such acts.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this consent may be signed in counterpart signatures, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Furthermore, delivery of a copy of such signature by facsimile transmission or other electronic methodology shall constitute a valid and binding execution and delivery of this consent by the signatory thereof, and such electronic copy shall constitute an enforceable original instrument.

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