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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Ms. Gwen R. Pinson Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602

June 3, 2019

RE: Case No. 2017-00115

Dear Ms. Pinson:

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. hereby submits its 2019 Annual Report on the Customer CHOICE<sup>SM</sup> program for filing in the above referenced docket. If you have any questions, please email jmcoop@nisource.com. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Judy M. Cooper

Director, Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures



# Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. Customer Choice<sup>SM</sup> Program 2019 Annual Report



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#### Introduction

Columbia Gas of Kentucky's ("Columbia's") application requesting approval of its initial Customer Choice Program described an annual report to be filed with the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission"). The initial pilot program began in 2000 and terminated on March 31, 2005. Columbia's new pilot Customer Choice Program became effective on April 1, 2005, and by subsequent Orders, the most recent dated June 19, 2017, was extended through March 31, 2022. This annual report will summarize the existing program and customer complaints.

The participating marketers are a combination of long and short term participants in Columbia's CHOICE Program. The marketers provide numerous gas supply options. As of May 2019, Choice customers have saved (\$58,772,592). This savings is calculated as the amount paid by customers compared to the amount the customers would have paid if they had not opted to be supplied by a marketer in the first place. This is the grand total from the initial Choice program through April 30, 2019.

#### **Customer Concerns**

The Customer Contact Center received 499 calls from May 2018 through April 2019 from customers seeking information about the Customer Choice Program. The nature of the concerns of the customers are shown below:

<b>Choice Information</b>	401
Customer Exclusion	18
Marketer Complaint	10
Marketer Savings	18
Price to Compare	45
Send Brochure	7

#### **Certified Marketers**

Constellation NewEnergy Gas Division Darcy Fabrizius 1221 Lamar Street, Ste.750 Houston, Texas 77010 800-785-4373

Kentucky United Energy LLC Kenny Graham 730 East Main Street Frankfort, KY 40601 855-735-7304

Stand Energy Corporation John M. Dosker 1077 Celestial Street, Suite 110 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202-1629 800-598-2046

Vista Energy Marketing, L.P. Harry Kingerski 4306 Yoakum Street, Suite 600 Houston, Texas 77006 888-508-4782

Xoom Energy Christina Binmore 344 South Poplar Street Hazleton, PA 18201 888-997-8979 Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. dba IGS Energy Matt White 5020 Bradenton Avenue Dublin, Ohio 43017 877-444-7427

Novec Energy Solutions Christopher R. Hild 10323 Lomond Drive Manassas, VA 20109 888-627-7283

US Gas and Electric, Inc. d/b/a/ Kentucky Gas & Electric Judy Vivona 1303 U. S. Highway 127 South, Suite 402 Frankfort, KY 40601 888-919-5943

Volunteer Energy Services, Inc. John Einstein 790 A Windmiller Drive Pickerington, Ohio 43147 800-977-8374

## **Rates Charged by Marketers**

The following marketer rates are not identified by marketer name in order to avoid undue influence in a competitive market.

Marketer	Rate per MCF as of May 2019
Marketer A	\$7.4900
	\$8.9900
	\$4.7900
	\$7.1900
	\$7.4900
	\$6.9900
	\$4.9400
	\$7.2400
	\$4.8600
	\$7.4900
	\$5.5000
	\$8.4900
	\$4.9900
	\$5.2500
	\$5.1400
	\$8.5000
	\$6.7400
	\$7.4900
	\$4.6400
	\$7.8900
	\$6.4900
	\$5.1000
	\$5.5900
	\$5.4900
	\$5.7400
	\$6.2400
	\$5.9900
	\$5.5900
	\$5.2400
	\$4.7500
	\$4.7900
	\$4.9500
	\$5.3900

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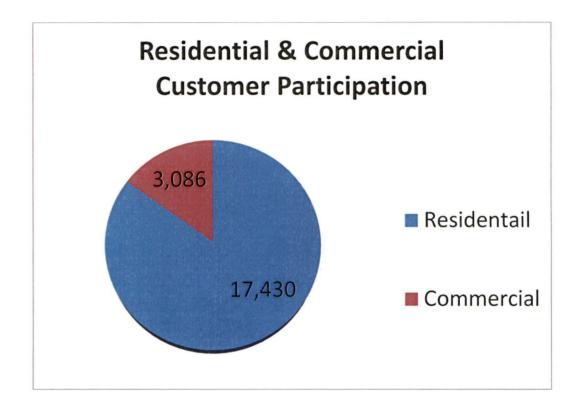
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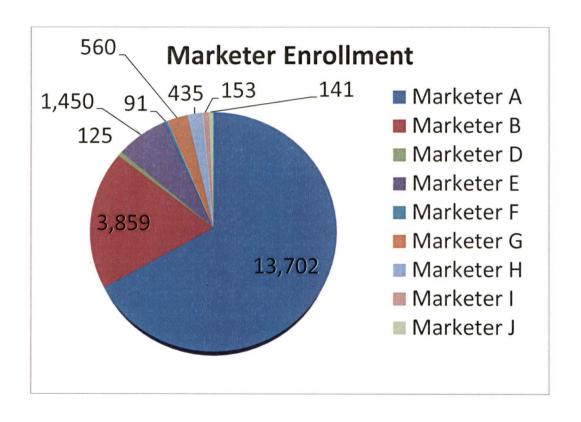
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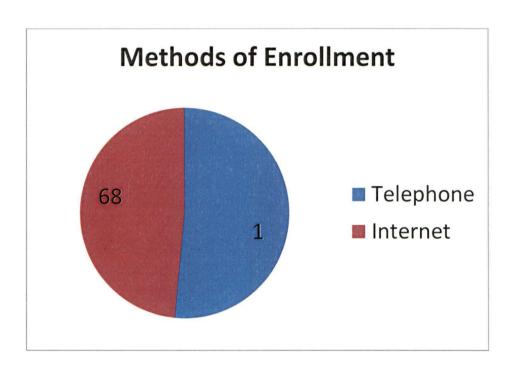
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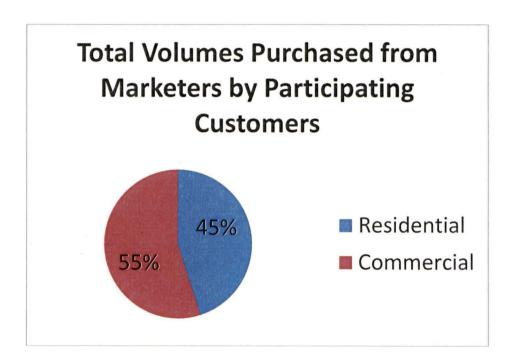




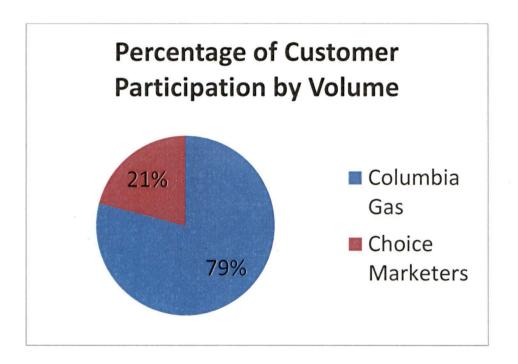












21 percent of total eligible throughput is being supplied by a Choice marketer.