

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF RALPH E. ROBINSON,)	
PIKEVILLE, KENTUCKY, TO DEVIATE)	
FROM COMMISSION REGULATION)	CASE NO. 8319
807 KAR 5:026E, SECTION 6, SUB-)	
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O R D E R

On August 18, 1981, Ralph E. Robinson, Pikeville, Kentucky, filed a letter with the Commission requesting authority to use 1-inch plastic pipe in the construction of a service line to his property from a line of the Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation.

The Commission decided to treat this letter as an application requesting authority to deviate from the provisions of Commission Regulation 807 KAR 5:026E, Section 6, Subsection 6.

A member of the Commission staff inspected the proposed location of the service line and found that it would be possible to bury the line to a sufficient depth to prevent damage to same by various digging activities and recommended the granting of the requested authority.

The Commission, having considered the application, all evidence of record and being fully advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

1. A hearing to consider the merits of the application will not be necessary.

2. Mr. Robinson should be granted permission to use 1-inch plastic pipe in lieu of black steel pipe provided the pipe is of an approved type and the entire service line is buried a minimum of 36 inches with steel pipe encasement of the plastic properly installed at the creek crossing and at the road crossing.

3. The completed service line installation should be inspected by Commission staff members prior to the filling of the ditch.

4. Mr. Robinson should notify the Commission when construction is sufficiently completed to allow for the above inspection.

5. The plastic pipe should be installed by persons who qualify under O.P.S.O. requirements.

6. This service line should be used only to serve one dwelling as required by state law.

7. Mr. Robinson should meet all other requirements of Public Service Commission Regulation 807 KAR 5:026E, Section 6, in his installations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Ralph E. Robinson be and he hereby is granted authority to deviate from Public Service Commission Regulation 807 KAR 5:026E, Section 6, Subsection 6, and install 1-inch plastic pipe of an approved type for his service line, said pipe buried a minimum of 36 inches, with the creek crossing and the road crossings installed with the proper steel encasement of the plastic pipe.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Robinson shall notify the Commission when construction is sufficiently completed to allow for inspection and approval of the line by the Division of Utility Engineering and Services of the Public Service Commission before service is rendered.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 24th day of September, 1981.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ATTEST:

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