COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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INVESTIGATION INTO THE FEASIBILITY OF) ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLEMENTING DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT COST) CASE NO. 341 RECOVERY AND INCENTIVE MECHANISMS)

ORDER

Columbia Gas of Kentucky ("Columbia Gas") and Delta Natural Gas Company ("Delta") have moved for intervention in this proceeding. Kentucky Utilities Company and East Kentucky Power Cooperative have submitted responses in opposition to these motions.

Having considered the motions and the responses thereto and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds the motions should be denied. Neither movant has a sufficient interest in this matter to warrant intervention. As this proceeding is in its eighth month, neither motion is timely filed.

The Commission appreciates both gas utilities' interest in the issue of demand-side management and will permit them to submit written comments on electric utility demand-side management's potential impact on their operations. The Commission advises both gas utilities that we will favorably entertain requests for an administrative proceeding to consider integrated resource planning and demand-side management for gas utilities. We believe, however, that the issues in <u>this</u> proceeding can best be resolved if the role of gas utilities is not expanded further. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The motions of Columbia Gas and Delta for intervention are denied.

2. Columbia Gas, Delta, and all other jurisdictional gas utilities may, within 21 days of the date of this Order, submit written comments on electric utility demand-side management's potential impact on their operations.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 30th day of March, 1993.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director