

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS)
OF KENTUCKY, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF)
GAS PURCHASES UNDER A SPECIAL) CASE NO. 94-273
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM)

O R D E R

On July 18, 1994, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia") filed with the Commission an application for approval of a special natural gas purchase contract with Citizens Energy Corporation ("Citizens") for continuation of a Special Emergency Assistance Program ("Program") through the winter of 1994-95. The Program originated in 1983 and has been extended in each subsequent year.¹

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. The Program distributed \$60,035 to 1,241 households during the 12 months ended June 30, 1994. A balance of \$22,786 remained to be disbursed in the fall of 1994. In order to continue assistance to these needy households, the Program should be extended for the winter of 1994-95 with the associated gas costs recovered through the purchased gas adjustment mechanism.

¹ Case No. 9038, Application of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. for Approval of Gas Purchases Under a Special Emergency Assistance Program, Order dated December 3, 1993.

2. Columbia should file with this Commission data concerning gas purchases, funds generated and disbursed and a summary of Program effectiveness in its Program final report upon the completion of Program year ending July 31, 1995.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The Program shall be and it hereby is extended for the winter of 1994-95.

2. Columbia shall file with this Commission its Program final report upon completion of the Program year ending July 31, 1995.

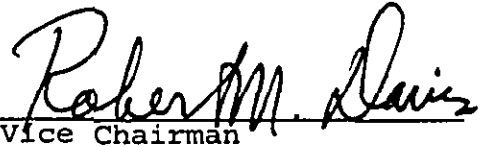
3. The natural gas purchase contract with Citizens as amended July 1, 1994 be and it hereby is approved.

4. Columbia shall file with this Commission any changes in its contract with Citizens.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 12th day of January, 1995.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:


Executive Director