COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

THE TARIFF FILING OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC. TO IMPLEMENT A SMALL VOLUME GAS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, TO CONTINUE ITS GAS COST INCENTIVE MECHANISMS, AND TO CONTINUE ITS CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

CASE NO. 99-165

<u>ORDER</u>

On April 22, 1999, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia) filed an application with the Commission to implement a small volume transportation service, and to continue its gas cost incentive mechanisms as well as its customer assistance program.

The Commission finds that, pursuant to KRS 278.190, further proceedings are necessary in order to determine the reasonableness of the proposals and that such proceedings may not be completed prior to the proposed effective date.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

The proposed rates are hereby suspended for 5 months from November
1, 1999 up to and including March 31, 2000.

2. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering a final decision in this case prior to the termination of the suspension period.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 28th day of May, 1999.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director