

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF )  
KENTUCKY, INC. FOR AN ADJUSTMENT ) CASE NO. 2013-00167  
OF RATES FOR GAS SERVICE )

COMMISSION STAFF'S FOURTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION  
TO COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original and eight copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. The information requested herein is due within ten days of the date of this request. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed. Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided.

Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Columbia shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which Columbia fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Columbia

shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

1. Refer to Volume 8, Tab C of Columbia's application, Schedule C-2.2A and the August 15, 2013 supplemental response to Item 45 of Commission Staff's First Request for Information. At the same level of detail and in the same format as in the schedule, provide an updated response to the information request showing actual data for each month of the base period, along with the total for the period (September 2012 to August 2013).

2. Refer to the response to Item 9.a. of Commission Staff's Third Request for Information ("Staff's Third Request"). Of the amounts shown in the table included in the response as Columbia's allocation of the expense and capital spent to implement the "NiFiT project," provide the amounts that are included in the test year ending December 31, 2014.

3. Refer to the response to Item 19.b. of Staff's Third Request. For purposes of calculating the Weather Normalization Adjustment factor, confirm that, following a final Order of the Commission in this proceeding, normal Heating Degree Days will be re-set to the definition of weather used in the billing determinants used to establish the base rates in this case.

4. Refer to the attachment to Columbia's response to Item 23 of Staff's Third Request and the attachment to its response to Item 92 of the first information request of the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by and through his Office of Rate Intervention ("AG"). In the format used in the attachment to the Staff Request, provide the test-period depreciation expense that results from substituting the rates based on the Average Service Life method, from the attachment to the response to AG 1-92, for the current rates shown in the attachment to the response to Staff's Item 23.

5. Refer to the Direct Testimony of Glenn A. Watkins, filed on behalf of the AG, pages 41-51.

a. Provide a detailed explanation supporting the need for flex rates for customers A, C, and E. The explanation should include information provided through customer affidavits of the realistic threat of cost-effective physical bypass of Columbia's system.

b. Explain how Columbia implements the provisions of its Alternative Fuel Displacement Service ("AFDS") Rate Schedule with regard to customers with the ability to physically bypass Columbia's system through connection to an interstate pipeline, as opposed to customers with the ability to use an alternate energy source.

c. State whether the AFDS Rate Schedule should be revised so that it reflects Columbia's current practices with regard to flex rates for physical bypass candidates.



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