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RE: Case No. 2012-00016

Dear Mr. Derouen:

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., encloses an original and ten (10) copies of its Request to Deviate from Certain Provisions of its Tariff and requests expedited consideration so that it might have a decision by January 30, 2012.

If you have any questions, please call me at (859) 288-0242. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Judy M. Cooper

Enclosures

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.)
(DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT) EN-) CASE NO. 2012-00016
ERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVA-)
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**COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.'S
REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO DEVIATE FROM
CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF ITS TARIFF**

Now comes Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia"), pursuant to 807 KAR § 5:011, and respectfully requests authority to deviate from certain provisions of its tariff relating to Columbia's Energy Efficiency/Conservation Program Cost Recovery Component ("EECPRC"). The reasons for this request are set forth more fully below.

Pursuant to its Tariff Sheet No. 51d, on January 12, 2012 Columbia filed its Energy Efficiency and Conservation Rider Report ("Report"). As part of the Report Columbia proposed to revise its Tariff Sheet Number 51g by reducing the EECPRC for residential customers from \$.76/Mcf to (\$.04/Mcf).

On January 23, 2012, Columbia participated in an Informal Conference along with representatives from the Commission's Staff, the Attorney General's Office, and the Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Har-

ri-son, and Nicholas Counties, Inc. During the Informal Conference the partici-pants discussed the Report and the noticed reduction in the EECPRC. At the con-clusion of the Informal Conference it appears that there was general agreement that the EECPRC should not be adjusted at this time. Notwithstanding the provi-sions of Columbia Tariff Sheets number 51e and 51f, that set forth the Energy Ef-ficiency Conservation Program Balance Adjustment (“EECPBA”) the participants instead believe that the better course of action would be to calculate Columbia’s EECPBA for the initial term of Columbia’s Demand-Side Management program, in the next annual report rather than on a twelve-month basis in the Report filed on January 12, 2012. In order to effectuate this change, the Commission must au-thorize Columbia to deviate from that portion of its Tariff Sheets number 51e and 51f which requires that Columbia calculate the EECPBA on a twelve-month ba-sis.

Therefore, Columbia respectfully requests permission to withdraw its proposed revision to its EECPRC, as set forth in Attachments B and C of its Re-port filed on January 12, 2012. Columbia also requests authority to deviate from its Tariff Sheets number 51e and 51f so that Columbia can adjust its EECPBA for the initial term of Columbia’s Demand-Side Management program, rather than on twelve-month basis.

Respectfully submitted,

COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.

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