COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

| OF KENTUCKY, INC. FOR: 1) A DECLARATION THAT CONSTRUCTION OF A LOW PRESSURE SYSTEM SAFETY IMPROVEMENT IS AN EXTENSION OF ITS SYSTEM IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS; 2) IN THE ALTERNATIVE, FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR SUCH CONSTRUCTION; 3) APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT AND EXPANSION OF ITS ACCELERATED MAIN REPLACEMENT TARIFF TO ITS SAFETY MODIFICATION AND REPLACEMENT TARIFF; AND 4) APPROVAL TO MODIFY THE 2019 AMRP CONSTRUCTION PLAN | CASE NO. 2019-00257 |
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ORDER

The matter is before the Commission upon a motion filed by Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia Kentucky), requesting a deviation from the publication requirements of 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(2)(b)(3). Columbia Kentucky notes that the relevant regulation requires that public notice be provided by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the utility's service area once a week for three consecutive weeks, with the first publication occurring no later than the date of the tariff filing. Columbia Kentucky states that its notice for this matter was scheduled to run for three consecutive weeks in 29 newspapers in its service territory beginning the week of July 24, 2019. Columbia Kentucky indicates 26 newspapers published the notice as scheduled for three consecutive weeks, but that two newspapers did not run the notice for the second week, and one newspaper did not run the notice for the third week. Columbia Kentucky states

that *The Mountain Citizen* and the *Floyd Chronicle and Times* failed to run the notice in their July 31, 2019 editions. Those two newspapers indicated that they had accidentally failed to publish the notice on the requested date, but ran the notice the week of August 6, 2019, and will run the notice again on August 14, 2019. The third newspaper, the *Greenup County News-Times*, ran the notice the first two weeks without issue but mistakenly failed to run the notice for the third week. Columbia Kentucky indicates that the *Greenup County News-Times* will run the notice on August 15, 2019. Columbia Kentucky requests a deviation from 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(2)(b)(3), asserting that its customers will receive the requisite notice on three occasions even though the notice was not published on three consecutive weeks and will have the opportunity to participate in the proceedings.

Having reviewed Columbia Kentucky's motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that Columbia Kentucky has established good cause to permit a deviation from the publication notice requirements of 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(2)(b)(3). The Commission further finds that the motion should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Columbia Kentucky's motion for a deviation is granted.

By the Commission

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