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TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN  
SUBJECT: COLUMBIA GAS OF KY  
RATE INCREASE.

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FIRST OFF, I DO NOT PLAN TO INTERVENE  
AT THE MEETING.

I AM A RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER AND THOSE  
ARE THE RATE INCREASE THAT I AM  
CONCERNED ABOUT. "SEE ENCLOSED CHARTS."

#1. "FIXED CUSTOMER SERVICE CHARGE" NOW AT  
\$16.00 PER MONTH. PROPOSED INCREASE OF  
\$13.00 TO \$29.20. THAT IS A 85%  
INCREASE. DO THE MATH.

#2. "DELIVERY CHARGE PER MCF"  
NOW AT \$3.5465. RATE REQUEST OF  
6598 CENTS, TO \$4.2263. THAT IS  
AN 18% INCREASE. DO THE MATH

I AM RETIRED AND LIVE ON A FIXED  
INCOME OF SOCIAL SECURITY AND A SMALL  
PENSION FROM EMPLOYER. WE OCCASIONALLY  
GET A 2% INCREASE. THOUSANDS OF  
OTHER CUSTOMERS ARE LIKE MYSELF.

OVER →

THE CURRENT INFLATION RATE IS  
AT ESTIMATED 4.4%

COLUMBIA GAS CLAIMS THE OVER ALL  
CUSTOMER INCREASE IS ONLY 18.72%  
"SEE ENCLOSED CHART."

I TOTALLY DISAGREE WITH COLUMBIA'S  
CLAIM THAT RESIDENTIAL INCREASE  
IS ONLY 18.72%

IT APPEARS TO ME THAT THE \$13.20  
85% CUSTOMER CHARGE IS NOT  
INCLUDED IN THEIR BOTTOM LINE  
PER CENT INCREASE.

IN CLOSING I WILL MAKE A RECCOMENDATION  
THAT IF YOU ALLOW THE \$13.20 INCREASE,  
THAT YOU MAKE THEM SPREAD IT  
OVER 5 YEARS TO GIVE CUSTOMERS  
A CHANCE TO INCREASE THEIR  
INCOME.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
ATTENTION.

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PS: I ALSO FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE  
THAT THERE IS NO MENTION OF  
A RATE INCREASE FOR THEIR MAIN  
PRODUCT, NATURAL GAS

**NOTICE**

In accordance with the requirements of the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") as set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 17 of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission, notice is hereby given to the customers of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. of a proposed rate adjustment. Columbia Gas of Kentucky Inc., intends to file an application with the Commission on May 28, 2021, in Case No. 2021-00183. The application will request that the proposed rates become effective June 28, 2021. The rate increase will apply to all of Columbia Gas of Kentucky Inc.'s customers. The present rates for each customer classification to which the proposed rates will apply are set forth below:

	Charge \$	Gas Cost Adjustment Demand <sup>2</sup> \$	Gas Cost Adjustment Commodity <sup>3</sup> \$	Total Billing Rate \$
<b>RATE SCHEDULES GS and SVGTS<sup>1</sup></b>				
<b>Residential (GSR)</b>				
Customer Charge per billing period	16.00			16.00
SMRP Rider per billing period	6.63			6.63
EECPRC per billing period	0.29			0.29
Delivery Charge per Mcf	3.5665	2.1785	2.2343	7.9793
EAP Rider per billing period	0.30			0.30
NGR&D Rider per Mcf	0.0144			0.0144
Tax Act Adjustment Factor per Mcf	(0.2825)			(0.2825)

The proposed rates for each customer classification to which the proposed rates will apply are set forth below

	Charge \$	Gas Cost Adjustment Demand <sup>2</sup> \$	Gas Cost Adjustment Commodity <sup>2</sup> \$	Total Billing Rate \$
<b>RATE SCHEDULES GS and SVGTS<sup>1</sup></b>				
<b>Residential (GSR)</b>				
Customer Charge per billing period	29.20			29.20
SMRP Rider per billing period	0.00			0.00
EECPRC per billing period	0.29			0.29
Delivery Charge per Mcf	4.2263	2.1785	2.2204	8.6252
EAP Rider per billing period	0.30			0.30
NGR&D Rider per Mcf	0.0144			0.0144

**IMPACT OF PROPOSED RATES**

The foregoing proposed rates designed to recover Columbia's revenue deficiency reflect an increase of approximately 18.11% to Columbia. The estimated amount of increase per customer class in both dollar amounts and as a percentage to which the proposed rates will apply is as follows:

	Estimated increase in \$	Estimated increase %
Residential	\$ 17,526,775	18.72%
Commercial	\$ 7,544,406	16.70%
Industrial	\$ 1,544,823	21.27%
Wholesale	\$ 8,421	10.53%
Other Gas Department Revenue	\$ 70,560	5.75%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 26,694,986</b>	<b>18.11%</b>

The amount of the average usage and the effect upon the average bill for each customer classification to which the proposed rates will apply is set forth below:

		Not Including Gas Costs	Including Gas Costs
Residential - based on average usage of 5.6 Mcf	\$11.85	28.4%	17.8%
Commercial - based on average usage of 27.3 Mcf	\$37.59	25.5%	14.0%
Industrial - based on average usage of 395.6 Mcf	\$256.92	26.6%	9.5%
Wholesale - based on average usage of 468.8 Mcf	\$356.46	28.1%	10.7%

due to future changes



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