

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC PURCHASED GAS)	CASE NO.
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF COLUMBIA GAS OF)	2021-00184
KENTUCKY, INC.)	

ORDER

On April 29, 2021, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia Kentucky) filed its proposed Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) report to be effective May 28, 2021. Columbia Kentucky's previous rate was approved in Case No. 2021-00027.¹

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Columbia Kentucky's report includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in gas costs.
2. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out an Expected Gas Cost (EGC) of \$4.9142 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.0560 per Mcf from its previous EGC of \$4.9702 per Mcf.
3. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a rate for Banking and Balancing Service of \$.0469 per Mcf.
4. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out no supplier Refund Adjustment (RA), which is no change from its previous total RA.

¹ Case No. 2021-00027, *Electronic Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.* (Ky. PSC Feb. 22, 2021).

5. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a current quarter Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) of (\$.1571) per Mcf. Columbia Kentucky's total ACA is (\$.3412) per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.4188 per Mcf from its previous total ACA of (\$.7600) per Mcf.

6. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a Balancing Adjustment (BA) of \$.1892 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.2033 per Mcf from its previous BA of (\$.0141) per Mcf.

7. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out no Special Agency Service (SAS) refund adjustment, which is no change from its previous SAS refund adjustment.

8. Columbia Kentucky's report sets out a Performance-Based Rate (PBR) Adjustment of \$.1555 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.0612 per Mcf from its previous PBR Adjustment of \$.2167 per Mcf.

9. Columbia Kentucky's GCA is \$4.9177 per Mcf, which is an increase of \$.5049 per Mcf from the previous GCA of \$4.4128 per Mcf.

10. The rates as proposed by Columbia Kentucky and set forth in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just and reasonable and should be approved for billing with the final meter readings beginning on May 29, 2021. Columbia Kentucky did not provide the 30 days' notice required for its rates to be effective May 28, 2021.

11. Should Columbia Kentucky purchase sustainable natural gas from a renewable source during the reporting period of any future GCA reports then the supplier, cost, and amount must be documented in its cover letter to the Commission.

12. As ordered by the Commission in Case No. 2018-00150,² Columbia Kentucky's future GCA reports should include an electronic version containing supporting

² Case No. 2018-00150, *Purchased Gas Adjustment Filing of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.* (Ky. PSC May 16, 2018).

calculations in Excel spreadsheet format with all formulas, columns, and rows unprotected and fully accessible.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates proposed by Columbia Kentucky and set forth in the Appendix to this Order are approved for billing beginning on May 29, 2021.

2. Within 20 days of the date of entry of this Order, Columbia Kentucky shall file with this Commission, using the Commission's electronic Tariff Filing System, revised tariff sheets setting out the rates approved herein and reflecting that they were approved pursuant to this Order.


3. Columbia Kentucky's future GCA reports shall include the information required in finding paragraph 12.

4. This case is closed and removed from the Commission's docket.

By the Commission

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC
SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

 for
Executive Director

Case No. 2021-00184

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2021-00184 DATED MAY 14 2021

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under the authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE BILLING RATES

	Base Rate Charge	Gas Cost Adjustment ^{1/} Demand	Commodity	Total Billing Rate
<u>SALES SERVICE</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<u>RATE SCHEDULE GSR</u>				
Delivery Charge per Mcf	3.5665	2.0108	2.9069	8.4842
<u>RATE SCHEDULE GSO</u>				
<u>Commercial or Industrial</u>				
First 50 Mcf or less per billing period	3.0181	2.0108	2.9069	7.9358
Next 350 Mcf per billing period	2.3295	2.0108	2.9069	7.2472
Next 600 Mcf per billing period	2.2143	2.0108	2.9069	7.1320
Over 1,000 Mcf per billing period	2.0143	2.0108	2.9069	6.9320
<u>RATE SCHEDULE IS</u>				
First 30,000 Mcf per billing period	.6285		2.9069 ^{2/}	3.5354
Next 70,000 Mcf per billing period	.3737		2.9069 ^{2/}	3.2806
Over 100,000 Mcf per billing period	.3247		2.9069 ^{2/}	3.2316
Firm Service Demand Charge				
Demand Charge times Daily Firm Volume (Mcf) in Customer Service Agreement		11.9599		11.9599

¹ The Gas Cost Adjustment, as shown, is an adjustment per Mcf determined in accordance with the "Gas Cost Adjustment Clause" as set forth on Sheets 48 through 51 of Columbia Kentucky's Tariff. The Gas Cost Adjustment applicable to a customer who is receiving service under Rate Schedule GS or IUS and received service under Rate Schedule SVGTS shall be \$4.9142 per Mcf only for those months of the prior 12 months during which they were served under Rate Schedule SVGTS.

² IS customers may be subject to the Demand Gas Cost under the conditions set forth on Sheets 14 and 15 of Columbia Kentucky's Tariff.

RATE SCHEDULE IUS

Delivery Charge per Mcf	1.1544	2.0108	2.9069	6.0721
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TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE SS

Standby Service Demand Charge per Mcf

Demand Charge times Daily Firm

Volume (Mcf) in Customer Service Agreement	11.9599			11.9599
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Standby Service Commodity Charge per Mcf			2.9069	2.9069
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RATE SCHEDULE DS

Banking and Balancing Service

Rate per Mcf	.0469			.0469
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RATE SCHEDULE MLDS

Banking and Balancing Service

Rate per Mcf	.0469			.0469
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RATE SCHEDULE SVGTS

Base Rate

\$

General Service Residential (SGVTS GSR)

Delivery Charge per Mcf				3.5665
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General Service Other—Commercial or Industrial (SVGTS GSO)

First 50 Mcf or less per billing period				3.0181
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Next 350 Mcf per billing period				2.3295
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Next 600 Mcf per billing period				2.2143
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Over 1,000 Mcf per billing period				2.0143
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Intrastate Utility Service

Delivery Charge per Mcf				1.1544
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Billing Rate

\$

Actual Gas Cost Adjustment³

\$.1440

RATE SCHEDULE SVAS

Balancing Charge—per Mcf				\$1.4565
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³ The Gas Cost Adjustment is applicable to a customer who is receiving service under Rate Schedule SVGTS and received service under Rate Schedule GS, IS, or IUS for only those months of the prior 12 months during which they were served under Rate Schedule GS, IS, or IUS.

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