

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS	)	
OF KENTUCKY, INC. FOR ITS ANNUAL SAFETY	)	CASE NO.
MODIFICATION AND REPLACEMENT PROGRAM	)	2024-00328
FILING	)	

ORDER

On October 15, 2024, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia Kentucky) filed its annual application and tariff to revise its Safety Modification and Replacement Program (SMRP) rates based on a forecasted test period ending December 31, 2025. Columbia Kentucky proposed an effective date of December 31, 2024. On November 12, 2024, the Commission suspended the effective dates of the proposed rates for one day, up to and including January 1, 2025, and established a procedural schedule.

On December 30, 2024, Columbia Kentucky filed notice, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), stating that it intended to place the proposed SMRP rates set forth in its application into effect subject to refund, effective on or after January 1, 2025.<sup>1</sup> Columbia Kentucky also stated that pursuant to KRS 278.190, Columbia Kentucky will maintain its records in a manner to permit refunds, should a subsequent Commission order necessitate such a refund.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Columbia Kentucky's Notice of Rate Implementation (filed Dec. 30, 2024) at 1.

<sup>2</sup> Columbia Kentucky's Notice of Rate Implementation at 1.

Pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), a utility is permitted to place proposed rates into effect at the end of the suspension period, upon written notice to the Commission and subject to refund, pending a final Order. The Commission may require a utility that provides such notice to maintain records that will allow the utility, the Commission, or any customer to determine the amounts to be refunded, and to whom, in the event a refund is ordered upon final resolution of the case. Further, upon final resolution, the Commission may order a refund to the extent the rates approved in the final Order are lower than rates proposed by the utility and placed into effect pursuant to KRS 278.190(2).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), Columbia Kentucky shall maintain its records in such manner as will allow it, the Commission, or any customer to determine the amounts to be refunded, and to whom, in the event a refund is ordered upon final resolution of this matter.

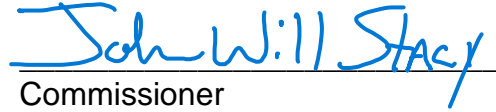
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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