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**Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc.
Docket No. R-2022-3031172, et al.**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Attached for filing is a Joint Stipulation for Admission of Evidence on behalf of Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc., in the above-referenced proceeding. Copies will be provided per the Certificate of Service.

Respectfully submitted,


Lindsay A. Berkstresser

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cc: Honorable Emily DeVoe (*via email; w/attachment*)
Certificate of Service

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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**BEFORE THE
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JOINT STIPULATION FOR ADMISSION OF EVIDENCE

TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE EMILY I. DEVOE:

Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. (“Columbia” or the “Company”) and the Office of Consumer Advocate (“OCA”), parties in the above-captioned proceeding (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Joint Petitioners” or “Parties”), hereby submit this *Joint Stipulation for Admission of Evidence* in the above-captioned proceeding (the “Evidence Stipulation”). In support of the Evidence Stipulation, the Joint Petitioners represent as follows:

1. On March 1, 2022, Columbia submitted certain pre-filing data required under the Commission’s regulations. On April 1, 2022, Columbia filed Supplement No. 341 to Tariff Gas Pa. P.U.C. No. 9 and supporting testimony and exhibits pursuant to Section 1307(f) of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. § 1307(f). Supplement No. 341 is to become effective for service rendered on and after October 1, 2022. In Supplement No. 341, Columbia proposes a decrease in its rates for recovery of purchased gas costs of \$0.01058/Therm.

2. The proceeding has been assigned to Administrative Law Judge Emily I. DeVoe (the “ALJ”) for hearings and issuance of a Recommended Decision.

3. The Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (“I&E”), OCA, and Office of Small Business Advocate (“OSBA”) entered notices of appearance in this proceeding. The OCA and OSBA filed formal rate complaints. The Pennsylvania State University (“PSU”) filed a Petition to Intervene, which was granted on June 3, 2022.

4. A prehearing conference was held on April 6, 2022, at which time a litigation schedule was established.

5. In accordance with the procedural schedule, OCA submitted written direct testimony and exhibits on May 6, 2022.

6. On May 24, 2022, the Company submitted written rebuttal testimony and exhibits.

7. The OSBA, I&E and PSU did not submit testimony in this proceeding.

8. As a result of settlement discussions held in this proceeding, and the efforts of the Joint Petitioners to examine the issues raised, a full settlement in principle was achieved prior to the date for evidentiary hearings. On June 3, 2022, counsel for the Company advised the ALJ of the settlement in principle and requested that the scheduled evidentiary hearing be canceled and that the Joint Petitioners be permitted to admit their evidence by stipulation.

9. On June 3, 2022, a Motion for Protective Order was filed by the Company.

10. The Joint Petitioners respectfully request that the ALJ admit the testimony and the exhibits listed below into the record in the above-captioned proceeding:

I. Testimony and Exhibits of Columbia

11. Columbia Exhibits 1, 1-A, 1-B, 1-C, 1-D, 1-D-1, 1-D-2, 1-D-3, 1-E, 1-F, 2, 3, 4, 4-A, 4-B, 5, 5-A, 5-B, 6, 7, 8-A, 8-B, 8-C, 8-D, 8-E, 9, 10, 11, 12 (revised), 13, 14 and 15.

12. Columbia Statement No. 1, the Direct Testimony of Tina Monnig, and Exhibits TMM-1 and TMM-2.

13. Columbia Statement No. 2, the Direct Testimony of Jessica Fischer.
14. Columbia Statement No. 3, the Direct Testimony of Nicole Paloney, and Exhibit NP-1.
15. Columbia Statement No. 4-R, the Rebuttal Testimony of Patrick Pluard, HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL VERSION and PUBLIC VERSION, and Exhibits PJP-1R, PJP-2R, PJP-3R, PJP-4R and PJP-5R.

II. Testimony and Exhibits of OCA

16. OCA Statement No. 1 – Direct Testimony of Jerome D. Mierzwa, HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL VERSION and PUBLIC VERSION, and HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL Schedule JDM-1 and Schedule JDM-2, which included a signed verification.

III. Motion

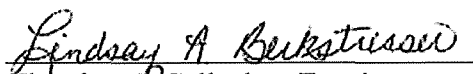
17. The Joint Petitioners request that the above identified testimony and exhibits be moved into the record without a hearing. All Parties have agreed to waive cross-examination in light of the settlement and the agreement to stipulate evidence into the record.

18. The Parties request that all filings, statements, and exhibits designated as “Confidential” or “Highly Confidential” be placed in non-public folders by the Secretary’s Bureau of the Commission.

19. Verifications for the testimony and exhibits of Columbia are attached hereto as **Appendix A**, whereas OCA’s verification was attached to its pre-served testimony.

WHEREFORE, the Joint Petitioners, by their respective counsel, respectfully request that Administrative Law Judge Emily I. DeVoe admit the foregoing testimony and exhibits into the record in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,


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Date: _____

Counsel for the Office of Consumer Advocate

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Date: 6/6/22

Counsel for the Office of Consumer Advocate

APPENDIX A

**BEFORE THE
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VERIFICATION

I, Tina Monnig, being the Manager of Supply and Capacity Planning for NiSource Corporate Services Company ("NCSC") hereby state that the testimony set forth in Columbia Statement No. 1 is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, and that if asked orally at a hearing in this matter, my answers would be as set forth therein. I further state that I am sponsoring Columbia Exhibit No. TMM-1, TMM-2, 1-D-1, 1-D-2, 1-D-3, 2, 3, 4, 4-A, 4-B, 5, 5-A, 5-B, 6, 8-A, 8-B, 8-C, 8-D, 8-E, 10, 12 (revised), 13, 14 and 15, and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: June 6, 2022



Tina Monnig
*Manager of Supply and Capacity Planning,
NiSource Corporate Services Company*

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VERIFICATION

I, Patrick Pluard, being the Director of Portfolio Optimization in the Energy Supply and Trading Department for Northern Indiana Public Service Co. ("NIPSCO") hereby state that the testimony set forth in Columbia Statement No. 4-R, HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL VERSION and PUBLIC VERSION, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, and that if asked orally at a hearing in this matter, my answers would be as set forth therein. I further state that I am sponsoring Columbia Exhibit No. PJP-1R, PJP 2-R, PJP 3-R, PJP-4R and PJP-5R and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: 6/6/2020



Patrick Pluard
*Director of Portfolio Optimization for
NIPSCO*

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VERIFICATION

I, Nicole Paloney, being the Director of Rates and Regulatory Affairs for Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. ("Columbia"), hereby state that the testimony set forth in Columbia Statement No. 3 is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, and that if asked orally at a hearing in this matter, my answers would be as set forth therein. I further state that I am sponsoring Columbia Exhibit No. NP-1, 7, 9 and 11, and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: 06/06/2022



Nicole Paloney
Director of Rates and Regulatory Affairs

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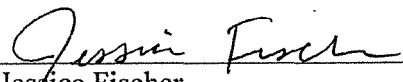
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VERIFICATION

I, Jessica Fischer, being the Lead Regulatory Analyst for Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc., hereby state that the testimony set forth in Columbia Statement No. 2 is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, and that if asked orally at a hearing in this matter, my answers would be as set forth therein. I further state that I am sponsoring Columbia Exhibit No. 1 and Exhibit Nos. 1-A through 1-F and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: 6/14/2022



Jessica Fischer
*Lead Regulatory Analyst for Columbia Gas
of Pennsylvania, Inc.*