

**PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265**

Public Meeting held January 8, 2025

Commissioners Present:

Stephen M. DeFrank, Chairman, Statement
Kimberly Barrow, Vice Chair, Conflict Statement
Kathryn L. Zerfuss
John F. Coleman, Jr.
Ralph V. Yanora

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission	:	
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement	:	
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v.	:	C-2023-3043425
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Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc.	:	

ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

We adopt as our action the Initial Decision of Administrative Law Judge Emily I. DeVoe dated November 7, 2024;

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the Joint Settlement Petition filed on August 9, 2024, between the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement and Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. is approved in its entirety without modification.

2. That, in accordance with Section 3301(c) of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa.C.S. § 3301(c), within thirty (30) days of the date this Order becomes final, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. will pay a civil penalty of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$700,000.00). Said payment will be made by certified check or money order payable to "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" and will be sent to:

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

3. That the civil penalty will not be tax deductible or passed through as an additional charge to Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc.'s customers.

4. That upon fulfillment of each non-monetary, remedial measure set forth in Paragraph 36 of the Joint Petition for Settlement, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. will file with the Commission a verification acknowledging compliance with each non-monetary remedial measure, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 5.591.

5. That a copy of this Order be served upon the Financial and Assessment Chief, Bureau of Administration.

6. That upon receipt of the civil penalty and the verifications acknowledging that the non-monetary remedial measures set forth in Paragraph 36 of the Joint Petition for Settlement have been fulfilled the above-captioned matter shall be marked closed.

BY THE COMMISSION,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rosemary Chiavetta". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rosemary Chiavetta
Secretary

(SEAL)

ORDER ADOPTED: January 8, 2025

ORDER ENTERED: January 8, 2025