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## VIA UPS OVERNIGHT

Rosemary Chiavetta Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17120-3265 RECEIVED

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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU

Re: Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. - Purchased Gas Cost Tariff Filing Effective October 1, 2013

## Secretary Chiavetta:

On April 1, 2013, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. ("Columbia") will file a tariff supplement to become effective for service rendered on and after October 1, 2013. The tariff will be filed on that date, as required by Section 1307(f) of the Public Utility Code and the Commission's regulations, to provide for changes in rates resulting from changes in purchased gas costs.

Enclosed please find one (1) original hardcopy of "Information Submitted in Compliance with Act 74 of 1984 and Pursuant to Title 52, Pennsylvania Code, Sections 53.64 and 53.65 Supporting Recovery of Purchased Gas Costs." This filing contains certain "prefiling" data that is to be submitted, as required by Commission regulations.

I have also enclosed a compact disc that contains electronic copies of the pre-filing data in pdf format.

Columbia's currently effective gas cost recovery rate applicable to all firm sales rate schedules is \$0.53866/Therm. On the attached pre-filing data (Exhibit No. 1-A) Columbia projects that it will propose a decrease in gas cost recovery rates of \$0.00412/Therm to \$0.53454/Therm effective for service rendered on and after October 1, 2013.

Also enclosed is an original hardcopy of Columbia's **CONFIDENTIAL** analysis of its hedging program, prepared and submitted pursuant to paragraph 30 of the Joint Petition for Settlement in Columbia's 2012 1307(f) proceeding, approved by Commission Order entered September 13, 2012 at R-2012-2293303. Please note that this document is marked as **CONFIDENTIAL** and should not be included with the publicly available files.

Columbia has delivered copies of the pre-filing data and the **CONFIDENTIAL** hedging analysis to the Office of Consumer Advocate, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, and the Office of Small Business Advocate. Columbia will provide public notice as required by the Commission's regulations.

Please direct any inquiry with regard to this filing to me at (724.416.6370) or to Columbia's counsel, Kimberly S. Cuccia (724.416.6347) both at the address written above, or to Columbia's outside counsel, Michael W. Hassell, Post & Schell P.C., 17 North Second Street, 12th Floor, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101, (717-612-6029).

I have also included two copies of this letter to be date stamped and returned in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelopes.

Sincerely,

Nancy J. D. Krajovic

Enclosure

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Theodore J. Gallagher, Esquire Kimberly S. Cuccia, Esquire Michael W. Hassell, Esquire

Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement

Office of Consumer Advocate
Office of Small Business Advocate