

ORDER NO. 88642

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION	*	BEFORE THE
OF COLUMBIA GAS OF MARYLAND,	*	PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
INC. FOR AUTHORITY TO ADOPT A	*	OF MARYLAND
NEW INFRASTRUCTURE	*	
REPLACEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT	*	
PLAN AND ACCOMPANYING COST	*	_____
RECOVERY SURCHARGE MECHANISM	*	CASE NO. 9479
	*	_____
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Issue Date: April 11, 2018

On April 6, 2018, pursuant to Section 4-210 of the Public Utilities Article, *Annotated Code of Maryland*, Columbia Gas of Maryland, Inc. ("Company" or "Columbia") filed an application with the Maryland Public Service Commission ("Commission") for authority to adopt a new gas infrastructure replacement and improvement plan ("STRIDE Plan") and an accompanying cost recovery surcharge mechanism ("IRIS") ("Application"). The Company also submitted documentation supporting its proposed STRIDE Plan and IRIS, including its IRIS rate calculation, proposed tariff revisions, and accompanying written testimony. In its Application, the Company asks the Commission to approve a new STRIDE plan for plan years 2019-2023 and the Company's IRIS, effective January 1, 2019. The Company proposes to implement a monthly residential surcharge at the \$2.00 cap rate consistent with the Maryland statute, effective January 1, 2019.

IT IS, THEREFORE, this 11th day of April in the year Two Thousand Eighteen,
by the Public Service Commission of Maryland,

ORDERED: (1) That proceedings to consider the Application and the justness
and reasonableness of the Columbia Gas of Maryland, Inc.'s proposed new STRIDE Plan
and IRIS are instituted by the Commission; and

(2) That this matter is hereby delegated to the Public Utility Law Judge Division
to conduct the proceedings.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ David J. Collins

David J. Collins
Executive Secretary