

**ORDER NO. 89820**

Columbia Gas of Maryland, Inc.'s  
Application For Authority To Increase Rates  
and Charges

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BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF MARYLAND

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CASE NO. 9664  
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**Issue Date: May 17, 2021**

**ORDER INITIATING DOCKET, SUSPENDING TARIFF REVISIONS, AND  
DELEGATING TO PUBLIC UTILITY LAW JUDGE DIVISION**

On May 14, 2021, Columbia Gas of Maryland, Inc, (“Columbia Gas”) submitted to the Public Service Commission an application for authority to increase its rates and charges for natural gas service to become effective June 13, 2021. Columbia Gas also filed proposed revised tariff sheets, supporting testimony, and exhibits. Columbia Gas seeks an overall revenue increase of \$6.3 million per year, or 11.04 percent.

After review of the Application, the Commission hereby docketed the matter as Case No. 9664, sets the matter for hearing, and delegates the matter to the Public Utility Law Judge Division to conduct the proceedings.

**IT IS, THEREFORE,** this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year Two Thousand Twenty One, by the Public Service Commission of Maryland,

**ORDERED:** (1) That proceedings to consider the Application and the justness and reasonableness of the proposed rates, terms, and conditions of the tariff revisions are instituted by the Commission;

(2) That, pursuant to Public Utilities Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, § 4-204, the tariff revisions filed by **Columbia Gas** are suspended for an initial period of 150 days from June 13, 2021; and

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

By Direction of the Commission,

*/s/ Andrew S. Johnston*

Andrew S. Johnston  
Executive Secretary