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Herbert A. Miller, Jr. named president of Columbia Gas of Kentucky

LEXINGTON, Ky. – August 30, 2006 – Columbia Gas of Kentucky today announced that Herbert A. Miller, Jr. has been named president, replacing Joseph W. Kelly who will retire from the company on August 31. Miller is currently Vice President and Corporate Legal Counsel of Kentucky-American Water Company with legal responsibilities for Kentucky, Tennessee and Georgia. He will begin his new position at Columbia on September 1.

Miller serves on the Board of Directors of Commerce Lexington, the United Way of the Bluegrass, and the Triangle Foundation. He also acts as a *pro bono* advisor to REACH, Inc. and is serving his sixth term on the Henry Clay School Based Council. He is the immediate past president of the Lexington Partnership for Workforce Development and recently completed over 21 years of service on the Lexington-Fayette County Board of Adjustment, the last three years as its chairman.

“Herb’s background, knowledge and commitment to community leadership make him the ideal choice to lead Columbia Gas of Kentucky,” said Robert C. Skaggs, Jr., president and CEO of NiSource Inc., Columbia Gas of Kentucky’s parent company. “We look forward to having Herb on board.”

Current Columbia Gas of Kentucky President Joe Kelly added, “Having seen Herb Miller’s leadership skills firsthand over the years, I feel confident that he will do an outstanding job of leading Columbia going forward.”

“I look forward to joining the employees of Columbia Gas of Kentucky in continuing their tradition of excellent service and community involvement,” Miller said.

Miller received his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Kentucky. Prior to his current position, he served as Senior Vice President, Bank One, Lexington and a partner in the law firm of Stoll Keenon Ogden.

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, headquartered in Lexington, is one of the 10 energy distribution companies of NiSource Inc. (NYSE: NI). NiSource distribution companies serve 3.8 million gas and electric customers primarily in nine states. More information about Columbia Gas of Kentucky is available at www.columbiagasky.com. More information about NiSource Inc. is available at www.nisource.com.

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