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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

> Vanguard Energy Services, L.L.C. – Case Number 17-2485-AGG Re:

Dear Sir/Madam:

I serve as counsel for Vanguard Energy Services, L.L.C ("Vanguard Energy"). Enclosed is the abandonment application filed by Vanguard Energy for its Certificate No. 18-634G.

No customer contracts will be assigned. Vanguard received their Competitive Retail Natural Gas Service Provider or Governmental Aggregator Certificate Number 18-634G, on January 18, 2018, pursuant to Case Number 17-2485-GA-AGG. The license was granted for both Retail Natural Gas Aggregator and Retail Natural Gas Broker. Vanguard does not take title to the natural gas and currently only has Retail Natural Gas Broker clients. Vanguard consults with clients about their energy needs. The client ultimately signs a natural gas contract directly with a certified supplier. This change will not have any impact on any Ohio natural gas customer. Each customer will continue to be supplied by their existing certified supplier. Vanguard is transferring the supplier paid broker commission they would be receiving going forward to USource LLC. This entity is currently licensed in Ohio with Certificate Number 19-703G dated March 20, 2023, pursuant to Case Number 19-0403-GA-AGG.

Very truly yours,

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