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Ohio Gas Company ("Ohio Gas") hereby submits its annual Uncollectible Expense Rider Report and respectfully requests approval to revise its Uncollectible Expense Rider ("Rider") rate. In support of its Application, Ohio Gas states as follows:

- On January 25, 2006, the Commission issued an Entry ("Entry"), in Case No. 05-1439-GA-UEX, in which it approved Ohio Gas' application for authority to establish an uncollectible expense rider.
- In the same Entry, the Commission approved Ohio Gas' initial Rider rate. Ohio Gas filed its final tariff consistent with the Entry on January 26, 2006, effective as of that date.
- 3. In the Entry, the Commission directed Ohio Gas to file a yearly report that identifies amounts recovered, deferred, and amortized

pursuant to the Rider. Ohio Gas' 2007 report is Attachment 1 to this Application.

- 4. Ohio Gas proposes a revised Rider rate of \$0.0384 per Mcf. The rate is comprised of: (1) the balance of deferred uncollectible accounts expense net of recoveries as of March 31, 2007, and (2) an estimate of net uncollectible accounts expense for the 12 months ending March 31, 2008. The calculation of the revised rate is shown on Attachment 2 hereto.
- 6. Ohio Gas' Rider states that "The Company shall file an application with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio requesting approval to change the rate if the Company determines that an adjustment of more than plus or minus ten percent is needed for prior period over or under collections." The portion of the proposed Rider increase that is attributable to the prior period under-collection exceeds 10% of the current Rider rate.
- 8. The portion of the proposed Rider rate attributable to estimated uncollectible expense is derived by subtracting from the estimated charge-off amount the estimated dollars attributable to agency assistance and customer payments.

9. The resulting rate of \$0.0384 per Mcf is just and reasonable and should be approved. Copies of the proposed and scored current tariff sheets are Attachment 3 to this Application.

WHEREFORE, Ohio Gas respectfully requests that the Commission approve the new Uncollectible Expense Rider rate proposed in this Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENT 1

OHIO GAS COMPANY

Bad Debt Rider

Annual Balance Reconciliation - 1st Quarter 2007

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		2007	
	January	February	March
(1) Balance - Beginning of Month	149,742	84,110	38,941
(2) Bad Debts Written Off	17,099	58,869	15,666
(3) Recovery - Base Rates	ŧ	ı	1
(4) Recovery - Bad Debt Rider (a)	58,157	84,098	63,125
(5) Recovery - Other (b)	24,574	16,940	18,492
(6) Incremental Bad Debt (2)-[(3)+(4)+(5)]	(65,632)	(45,169)	(65,951)
(7) Balance Subtotal (1)+(6)	84,110	38,941	(27,010)
(8) Carrying Charges {[(1)+(7)]/2}x(c)	ı	1	•
(9) Balance - End of Month (7)+(8)	84,110	38,941	(27,010)

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^{0.0000%} (a) Calculated: actual consumption times authorized rider rate
 (b) Consists of customer payments, agency assistance, supplier discounts
 (c) Enter net monthly carrying charge rate

OHIO GAS COMPANY Bad Debt Rider Annual Balance Reconditiation - 2006

Attachment 1 Page 2 of 2

(48,728) November | December 216,469 198,470 18,787 48,772 18,743 149,742 149,742 41,805 35,492 24,312 (17,999) 198,470 198,470 (17,229) October 233,698 27.807 16,304 28,732 216,469 216,469 27 282 11,925 7,516 7.84 233,698 233,698 26,473 44,342 11,468 6,401 226,182 226,182 69,742 7,266 55,395 7,081 199,709 199,709 22,125 34,352 7,645 144,218 4,582 144,314 808'9 26,119 122,093 40,217 7,290 121,757 š 15,385 51,227 13,884 21,958 95,414 95,638 224 108,110 15,210 73,310 24,134 68,766 73,456 146 (44,223) January February 94,071 48,675 25,196 19,027 4,452 8 4.54 (45,663)17,778 27,885 48,408 267 48,675 (6) Incremental Bad Debt (2)-[(3)+(4)+(5)] (8) Carrying Charges {{(1)+(7)}/2}x(c) (9) Balance - End of Month (7)+(8) (4) Recovery - Bad Debt Rider (a) (1) Balance - Beginning of Month (7) Balance Subtotal (1)+(6) (3) Recovery - Base Rates (2) Bad Debts Written Off (5) Recovery - Other (b)

(a) Calculated: actual consumption times authorized rider rate
 (b) Consists of customer payments, agency assistance, supplier discounts
 (c) Net monthly carrying charge rate

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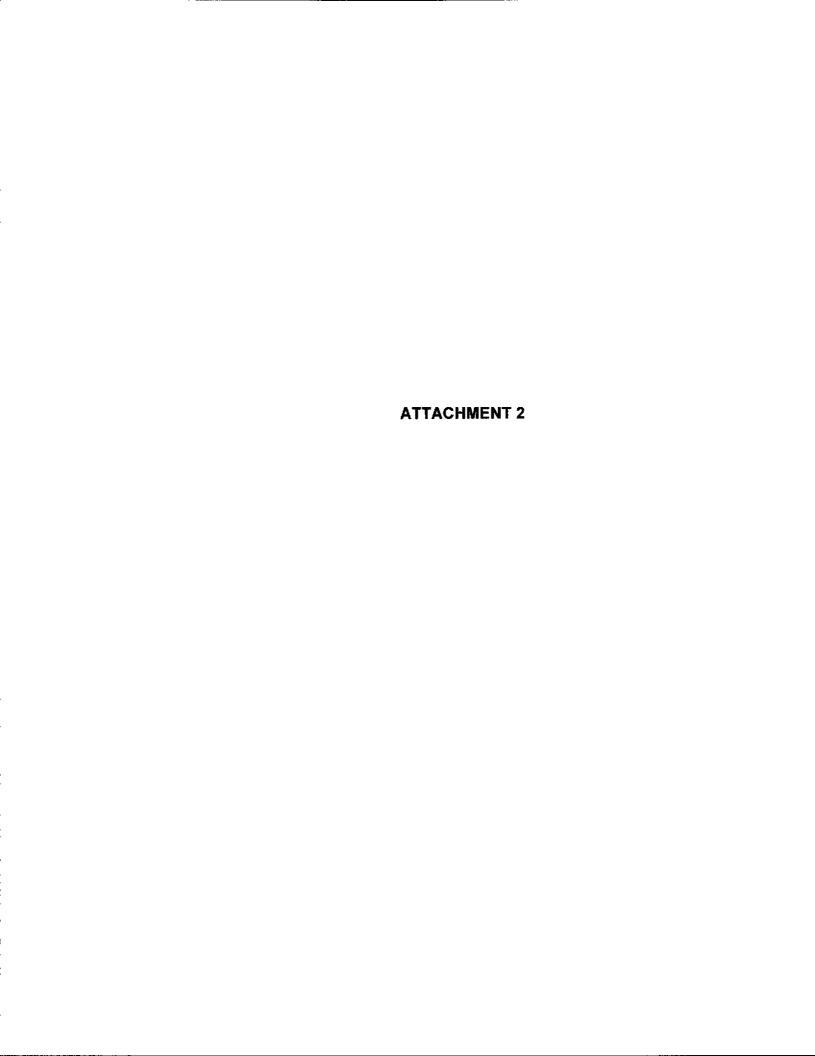
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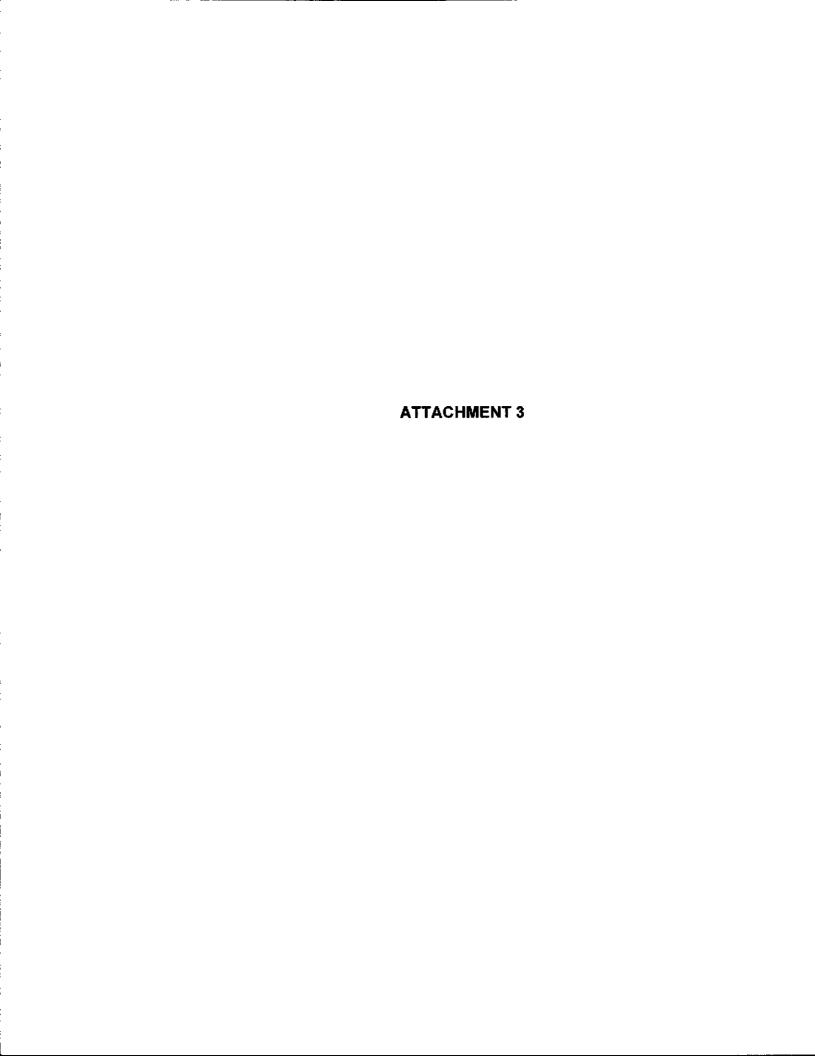
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OHIO GAS COMPANY Bad Debt Rider Uncollectible Expense Rider Calculation 2007

Balance of Deferred Uncollectible Accounts Expense @ 3/31/2007 Estimated Uncollectible Accounts Expense for Twelve Months Ending 3/31/2008

unt \$ 447,195	255,924	\$ 228,914
Charge-off Amount	Net Amount	Total to be Collected

Total to be Collected	\$ 228,914
Applicable Volumes	5,968,794.7 MCF
Proposed Rate	\$ 0.0384
Current Rate	0.0658
Proposed Uncollectible Expense Rider Adjustment	\$ (0.0274)



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GAS SERVICE

GROSS RECEIPTS EXCISE TAX RIDER

The Gross Receipts Excise Tax Rider is applicable to all gas cost recovery charges billed by the Company under all of its current rate schedules.

All bills shall be adjusted for the Ohio gross receipts excise tax on gas cost recovery revenues at a rate of 4.970%.

UNCOLLECTIBLE EXPENSE RIDER

Applicability. Applicable to all volumes served under the General Service and Transportation Rates. An additional charge shall be applied to all volumes for service rendered to recover costs associated with uncollectible accounts arising from those customers responsible for paying the Uncollectible Expense Rider. The Company shall file an application with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio requesting approval to change the rate if the Company determines that an adjustment of more than plus or minus ten percent is needed to adjust for prior period over- or under-collections. The current Uncollectible Expense Rider rate is \$0.0384 per Mcf.

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