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## VIA COURIER

Ms. Renee J. Jenkins Director of Administration Docketing Department Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street, 13th Fl. Columbus, OH 43215

> Re: Case Nos. 04-221-GA-GCR 05-221-GA-GCR 96-1113-GA-ATA

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

Commerce Energy, Inc., Direct Energy Services, LLC, Hess Corporation, Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. and Vectren Retail LLC are active natural gas suppliers in the State of Ohio generally and specifically in the Columbia Gas of Ohio service area. In accordance with the Commission directive that parties with like interests consolidate their positions to the extent possible for presentation to the Commission, the five named gas suppliers have participated in the above styled proceedings at the Ohio Gas Marketers Group.

The Ohio Gas Marketers Group was not only active in the above Gas Cost Recovery proceedings, but spent many hours with the other stakeholders seeking a consensus as to changes to the Choice program and gas procurement policies in the Columbia service area for when the currently approved program ends on November 1, 2008.

On December 28, 2007 a Stipulation in the above styled proceedings was filed. The Stipulation establishes a middle ground as to the  $2004 \setminus 2005$  Gas Cost Recovery proceedings and presents a blue print for the post November 1, 2008 Choice program and standard service offer gas procurement policies through 2010.

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At this time Commerce Energy, Inc., Direct Energy Services, LLC, Hess Corporation, Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. and Vectren Retail LLC wish to add their names to the signatory parties supporting the Stipulation.

Sincerely,

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M. Howard Petricoff

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cc: All Parties of Record