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Complainant,

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc., Respondent

v.

SSION OF OHIO Case No. 08-243-GA-CSS

ANSWER OF COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.

Now come the Respondent, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. (hereinafter "Columbia"), and

files its Answer to the Complaint filed herein on March 12, 2008.

1. Columbia denies the allegations contained in the Complaint.

Affirmative Defenses

2. Columbia avers that with respect to the Complainant's gas service and billing,

Columbia has complied with all applicable Ohio Statutes, the Commission's Rules and

Regulations, and Columbia's Tariff.

Respectfully submitted by COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Answer by mailing same by regular U.S. mail to Eric L. Elliott, 2110 Earl Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43219 this 19th day of March, 2008.

Rodney W. Anderson Attorney for COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.