## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of the Hess	)	Case No. 04-683-GA-CRS
Corporation for Certification as a	)	
Competitive Retail Natural Gas Supplier.	)	

## **ENTRY**

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On June 10, 2004, the Commission issued Certificate No. 04-080(1) to Hess Corporation<sup>1</sup> (Hess) to provide retail natural gas aggregator and retail natural gas marketer services within Ohio, effective June 5, 2004. The expiration date for Certificate 04-080(1) was June 5, 2006.
- (2) On June 7, 2006, the Commission issued a renewal, under Certificate No. 04-080(2), authorizing Hess to provide retail natural gas marketer, retail natural gas broker, and retail natural gas aggregator services within the state of Ohio, effective June 5, 2006. The expiration date for Certificate 04-080(2) is June 8, 2008.
- (3) The Commission's rules provide that a certificated retail natural gas supplier is required to file an application for renewal of its certificate at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the current certificate. Rule 4901:1-27-09(A), Ohio Administrative Code.
- (4) On May 29, 2008, Hess filed a renewal application. On May 30, 2008, Hess filed a motion for extension of the expiration date of its existing certificate until June 29, 2008. In its motion, Hess states that, due to an inadvertent administrative error related to a recent personnel change, it filed its renewal application after the deadline. It requests an extension so that there will be no interruption in service to its customers. Hess confirms that there has been no material change in its business practices and that it is restructuring its compliance system to ensure that future filings are timely.
- (5) In order to avoid potential adverse consequences to affected customers, the examiner believes that an extension of the

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expiration date of Certificate No. 04-080(2), to June 29, 2008, is warranted, while its renewal application is under consideration. Therefore, the motion will be granted.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the motion by Hess Corporation for an extension of its certificate's expiration date be granted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the expiration date of Certificate No. 04-080(2) be extended from June 8, 2008, to June 29, 2008. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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