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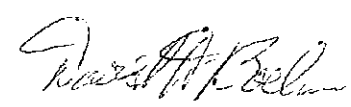
In re: Case Nos. 08-1344-GA-EXM

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find enclosed an original and twelve (12) copies of the OHIO ENERGY GROUP'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE filed in the above-referenced matter.

Copies have been served on all parties on the attached certificate of service. Please place this document of file.

Respectfully yours,



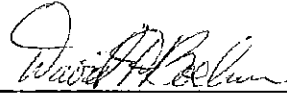
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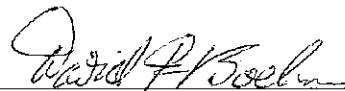
**BEFORE THE
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Columbia Gas of Ohio, : Case No. 08-1344-GA-EXM
Inc. for Approval of a General Exemption of Certain :
Natural Gas Commodity Sales Services or Ancillary :
Services from Chapters 4905, 4909, and 4935 except :
Sections 4905.10, 4935.01, and 4935.03, and from :
specified sections of Chapter 4933 of the Revised Code. :

**THE OHIO ENERGY GROUP'S
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE**

Pursuant to the Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-1-11, the Ohio Energy Group. ("OEG") moves for leave to intervene in this proceeding. The Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission") should grant OEG leave to intervene because OEG has a real and substantial interest in the proceeding, and the Commission's disposition of this proceeding may impair or impede OEG's ability to protect that interest.

Respectfully submitted,



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**MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF
THE OHIO ENERGY GROUP'S
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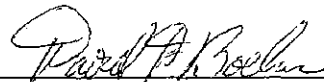
Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-01-11, the Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission") should grant the Ohio Energy Group ("OEG") leave to intervene in this proceeding.

OEG is a non-profit entity organized to represent the interests of large industrial customers in electric and gas regulatory proceedings before the Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission"). OEG's members participating in this intervention are: AK Steel Corporation, Aleris International, ArcelorMittal USA, Brush Wellman, Inc., Chrysler LLC., Ford Motor Company, Griffin Wheel Company, Johns Manville, PPG Industries, Inc., Republic Engineered Products, Inc., Severstal Wheeling, Sunoco and Worthington Industries. These companies use large quantities of natural gas in the manufacture of their products and transport this gas through Columbia Gas. Therefore, the interests of OEG's members may be indirectly affected by the outcome of this proceeding. OEG intends to play a constructive role in this case and provide information which will assist the Commission.

No other party to this proceeding can adequately represent OEG's interest. Intervention would not unduly delay the proceeding nor unjustly prejudice any existing party.

Accordingly, OEG has a real and substantial interest and is entitled to intervene in this action under Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-1-11.

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