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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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Michael J. Young,

Complainant,

v.

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.,

Respondent.

Case No. 09-550-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 June 30, 2009:


1. Columbia admits that Mr. Young had a "dead meter," meaning that for a period of time the gas meter at his residence was not registering usage.
2. Columbia admits that it billed Mr. Young for an amount that reflected his estimated usage during the period that his meter was not registering usage.
3. Columbia admits that the May 6, 2009 statement for residential service for his account shows an amount due on May 20, 2009 of \$13,332.61, although the same statement also shows that said amount was adjusted down to \$2,020.83.
4. Columbia admits that attached to Mr. Young's complaint is an unsigned document that appears to be a letter from Mr. Young dated May 13, 2009, and addressed to Columbia's Account Processing Center.
5. Columbia denies any and all other allegations in Mr. Young's Complaint not specifically addressed herein.

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Affirmative Defenses

6. Columbia has complied with all applicable Ohio Statutes, including Section 4933.28, Ohio Rev. Code, as well as the Commission's Rules and Regulations and Columbia's Tariff.

Respectfully submitted,

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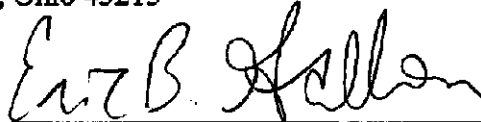
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**ATTORNEYS FOR RESPONDENT
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Answer by regular mail on this
20th day of July, 2009, to the following:

Michael J. Young
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Columbus, Ohio 43213

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Eric B. Gallon