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        BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO
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    In the Matter of the Annual:
    Application of Vectren
    Energy Delivery of Ohio,
    Inc. for Authority to Amend :
    its Filed Tariffs to
                            :Case No. 07-1080-GA-AIR
    Increase the Rates and
    Charges for Gas Service and :
    Related Matters
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    In the Matter of the Annual:
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    Application of Vectren
    Energy Delivery of Ohio, :Case No. 10-595-GA-RDR
    Inc. for Authority to Adjust:
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    its Distribution
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    Replacement Rider Charges :
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                          PROCEEDINGS
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    before Mr. Henry H. Phillips-Gary, Hearing Examiner,
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    at the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East
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    Broad Street, Room 11-C, Columbus, Ohio, called at
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    10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 19, 2010.
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4 1 Thursday Morning Session, 2 August 19, 2010. 3 4 HEARING EXAMINER: On the record. 5 The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 6 has called for a hearing at this time and place 7 Case No. 10-595-GA-RDR being in the matter of the 8 Application of Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, 9 Incorporated, for authority to adjust its 10 distribution replacement rider charges. 11 My name is Henry H. Phillips-Gary. 12 the Attorney Examiner assigned by the Commission to 13 hear this case at this time. We'll take appearances 14 on behalf of the parties. 15 On behalf of the Staff. 16 MS. HUSSEY: Your Honor, on behalf of the 17 Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 18 Ohio Attorney General Richard Cordray by Rebecca 19 Hussey, Assistant Chief, Public Utilities Section, 20 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. 21 HEARING EXAMINER: On behalf of the 22 Company. 2.3 MS. HUMMEL: Thank you, Your Honor.

On behalf of Vectren Energy Delivery of

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    Ohio, McNees, Wallace & Nurick, by Gretchen J.
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    Hummel, 21 East State, Columbus, Ohio 43215.
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                HEARING EXAMINER: On behalf of OCC.
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                MR. SERIO: Thank you, Your Honor.
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                On behalf of the residential utilities
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    customers of Vectren Energy Delivery, Janine L.
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    Migden-Ostrander, Consumers' Counsel by Joseph P.
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    Serio and Larry S. Sauer.
                HEARING EXAMINER:
                                   Thank you.
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                It's my understanding that the staff and
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    OCC have entered into a stipulation and
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    recommendation; is that correct?
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                MS. HUMMEL: No, Your Honor. The staff
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    and the Company have entered into --
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                HEARING EXAMINER: Oh, yeah. I'm sorry.
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                MS. HUMMEL: -- a stipulation and
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    recommendation in this proceeding.
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                HEARING EXAMINER: I apologize for my
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    slipup there. Okay.
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                And, Mr. Serio, does OCC support this
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    stipulation?
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                MR. SERIO: OCC's position is we neither
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    support nor oppose the stipulation.
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                HEARING EXAMINER: All right. Thank you.
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At this point I'd like to go ahead and admit the exhibits into evidence. If the Company wishes to proceed.

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(EXHIBITS IDENTIFIED FOR THE RECORD.)

MS. HUMMEL: Thank you, Your Honor.

I'd like to mark Exhibit Number 1, the application filed in this proceeding on April 30, 2010.

I will note for the record that this application was also filed in Case No. 07-1080-GA-AIR by virtue of the requirement of the stipulation that was approved by the Commission in the rate case below.

I would like to secondly mark as Company Exhibit Number 2 the supplemental direct testimony of Scott E. Albertson.

And as Company Exhibit Number 3 the supplemental direct testimony of Janice M. Barrett.

As Company Exhibit 4 the supplemental testimony of James M. Francis.

As Company Exhibit 5 the second supplemental direct testimony of Scott E. Albertson.

And you're going to have to help me out here, as Company Exhibit 6 the report of the status

7 1 of the resolution of issues filed by the Company 2 on --3 HEARING EXAMINER: August 4th. 4 MS. HUMMEL: -- August 4th, 2010. Thank 5 you, Your Honor. 6 And Company Exhibit 7, the second status 7 report filed by the Company of the resolution of the 8 issues in this proceeding filed on August --HEARING EXAMINER: 12th. 10 MS. HUMMEL: -- 12th, 2010. 11 Thank you, Your Honor. 12 HEARING EXAMINER: All right. 13 MS. HUMMEL: I will give copies to the 14 court reporter. 15 HEARING EXAMINER: Thank you. 16 So what has been moved for admission by 17 the Company, Company Exhibit 1, the application filed 18 April 30, 2010; Company Exhibit 2, the supplemental 19 testimony of Scott Albertson filed July 23, 2010; 20 Company Exhibit 3, the supplemental testimony of 21 Janice M. Barrett filed July 23, 2010; Company 22 Exhibit 4, the supplemental testimony of Scott M. 2.3 Francis filed August 13, 2010; Company Exhibit 5, the

second supplemental testimony of Scott Albertson

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    filed August 18, 2010; Company Exhibit 6, the
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    statement of status of issue resolution filed
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    August 4th, 2010; and Company Exhibit 7, the second
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    statement of status of issue resolution filed
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    August 12, 2010.
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                Do you wish to move for admission?
                MS. HUMMEL:
                              I do, Your Honor.
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                HEARING EXAMINER: Okay. So Company has
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    moved for admission of all seven exhibits.
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                Are there any objections to admission of
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    any of those exhibits?
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                MR. SERIO: No, Your Honor.
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                MS. HUSSEY: No, your Honor.
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                HEARING EXAMINER: Seeing no objection,
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    they will all be admitted.
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                 (EXHIBITS ADMITTED INTO THE RECORD.)
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                HEARING EXAMINER: Anything else on
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    behalf of the Company at this point in time?
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                 (EXHIBIT IDENTIFIED FOR THE RECORD.)
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                MS. HUMMEL: Yes, Your Honor. I'd like
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    to mark as Joint Exhibit Number 1 a copy of the
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    stipulation and recommendation signed by the Company
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    and the Staff and filed with this Commission, and
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    this would be the corrected version of the
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9 1 stipulation filed on August 18, 2010. 2 HEARING EXAMINER: Okay. 3 MS. HUMMEL: And I move for the admission 4 of Joint Exhibit Number 1. 5 HEARING EXAMINER: Any objection to the 6 admission of Joint Exhibit 1? MR. SERIO: No, Your Honor. 8 HEARING EXAMINER: Seeing none, it will 9 be admitted. 10 (EXHIBIT ADMITTED INTO THE RECORD.) 11 HEARING EXAMINER: All right. 12 Ms. Hummel, anything else on behalf of 13 the Company at this point in time? 14 MS. HUMMEL: Not at this time, Your 15 Honor. Thank you. 16 HEARING EXAMINER: Thank you. 17 On behalf of OCC. 18 (EXHIBIT IDENTIFIED FOR THE RECORD.) 19 MR. SERIO: Thank you, Your Honor. 20 OCC would mark OCC Exhibit Number 1, 21 comments filed by the OCC. I'm sorry, I don't have 22 the date on that. 2.3 HEARING EXAMINER: July 30. 24 MR. SERIO: And move for admission of

10 1 that. 2 HEARING EXAMINER: The OCC has marked and 3 moved for admission of OCC Exhibit 1, the comments 4 filed on July 30, 2010. 5 Is there any objection to admission of 6 this exhibit? MS. HUSSEY: None. 8 HEARING EXAMINER: Seeing none, it will 9 be admitted. 10 (EXHIBIT ADMITTED INTO THE RECORD.) 11 HEARING EXAMINER: Anything else on 12 behalf of OCC at this point in time, Mr. Serio? 13 MR. SERIO: No, Your Honor. But for the 14 record, OCC will be filing a letter this afternoon or 15 tomorrow on the docket. 16 HEARING EXAMINER: Thank you. 17 On behalf of the Staff? 18 (EXHIBIT IDENTIFIED FOR THE RECORD.) 19 MS. HUSSEY: Your Honor, I'd like to have 20 the comments and recommendations submitted on behalf 21 of the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of 22 Ohio which were filed July 30, 2010, marked as Staff

HEARING EXAMINER: Thank you.

Exhibit 1 and move for admission.

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1 Staff has marked and moved for admission of Staff Exhibit 1, the comments and recommendations 2 3 filed on July 30, 2010. Is there any objection to 4 admission of this exhibit? MR. SERIO: None, Your Honor. 5 6 HEARING EXAMINER: Seeing none, it will 7 be admitted. 8 (EXHIBIT ADMITTED INTO THE RECORD.) 9 HEARING EXAMINER: Okay. So we have the 10 exhibits admitted into evidence. 11 I do have one question about the 12 stipulations so I do request the Staff to call its 13 witness. 14 MS. HUSSEY: Staff calls Kerry Adkins. 15 16 KERRY ADKINS 17 called as a witness on behalf of the Staff, being 18 first duly sworn, testified as follows: 19 DIRECT EXAMINATION 20 By Ms. Hussey: 21 Would you please state your name and 22 business address. 2.3 My name is Kerry Adkins, K-e-r-r-y, Α. 24 A-d-k-i-n-s. Business address is 180 East Broad

Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

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- Q. And by whom are you employed?
- A. I'm employed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.
- Q. Can you explain what your current position at the Commission is and what duties your position includes.
- A. I am a Public Utilities Administrator 2 in the utilities department, county electricity division.

My present duties include -- I'm a manager for, I guess, rate applications. When companies file rate applications, I manage the staff teams that review those application.

I'm responsible for the preparation of the staff comments and reports and support of those comments in proceedings such as this one.

Q. Okay. Would you please briefly describe your educational background and your work experience here at the Commission.

MS. HUMMEL: Your Honor, we'll stipulate to the credentials -- just to make this shorter, we'll stipulate to the credentials of Mr. Adkins. We've known him for a number of years,

1 and he's been qualified over and over as an expert 2 witness at the Commission. So we stipulate to his 3 credentials and his qualifications as an expert witness. 5 HEARING EXAMINER: Mr. Serio, any 6 objection? MR. SERIO: No objection, Your Honor. 8 HEARING EXAMINER: Okay. It shall be so 9 stipulated. 10 0. (By Ms. Hussey) Can you explain what 11 your involvement was in this case? 12 In this case I was the overall case 13 manager of the staff team that reviewed the company's 14 application, and I was responsible for supervising 15 the staff review and preparation of the comments in 16 this proceeding. 17 Okay. At this point I want to turn the 18 witness over to Your Honor for any questions you 19 have. 2.0 HEARING EXAMINER: Okay. 2.1

## EXAMINATION

By Hearing Examiner:

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Q. Mr. Adkins, I just have one question.

1 On the stipulation, paragraph 2(a) VEDO 2 agrees to reclassify \$746,228 as recommended by 3 staff. I just wanted to make sure -- that amount 5 is different than what was in the Staff's comments. 6 I just wanted to make sure that that amount is correct and that is, in fact, Staff's recommendation, 8 the 746,000. It is currently the Staff's 10 recommendation. 11 HEARING EXAMINER: Okay. Thank you. 12 I have no further questions and witness 13 may be excused. 14 All right. Is there any other matters 15 to be -- that needs to be addressed at this point in 16 time? 17 MS. HUMMEL: No, Your Honor. Thank you 18 very much. 19 HEARING EXAMINER: All right. Seeing no 20 other issues, then we will be adjourned. 21 This case is submitted on the record. 22 (Thereupon, the hearing was concluded at

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10:25 a.m.)

## CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Thursday, August 19, 2010, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.

Deborah J. Guzzo, Registered Professional Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio.

My commission expires June 25, 2012.

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