BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of The East)	
Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East)	Case No. 11-319-GA-UEX
Ohio Approval of an Adjustment to Its)	
Uncollectible Expense Rider Rate.)	

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) By Finding and Order dated December 17, 2003, in Case No. 03-1127-GA-UNC (Order), the Commission approved, in concept, an application brought jointly by five natural gas companies, including The East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio (DEO), which proposed to alter the method by which the five recover uncollectible accounts expense. The Order provided discussion on several tangential issues and guidance as to implementation and reporting.
- (2) DEO's current uncollectible expense (UEX) rider rate of \$0.1372 per thousand cubic feet (Mcf) was approved by Finding and Order dated June 30, 2010, in Case No. 10-319-GA-UEX.
- (3) On May 27, 2011, DEO filed the instant application to revise its existing UEX rider rate. The proposed rate is a decrease to \$0.0261 per Mcf. Staff reviewed the application and, on July 5, 2011, filed its comments recommending approval.
- (4) In its comments, Staff also recommended that, in the next gas cost recovery financial audit, DEO's independent financial auditor should examine the monthly UEX balances and writeoffs and recoveries for 2011 and the first quarter of 2012 and that any required adjustments or corrections be considered in a subsequent UEX rider application.
- (5) The Commission has reviewed the application and Staff's filed comments and finds that DEO's application is reasonable and in the public interest, and should be approved. The Commission further finds that the recommendations contained in the Staff's July 5, 2011, filed comments, as described above, should also be adopted.

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It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That DEO is authorized to decrease its UEX rider rate to \$0.0261 per Mcf. It is, further,

ORDERED, That DEO is authorized to file four complete copies of tariffs in final form consistent with this Finding and Order. DEO shall file one copy in this case docket and one copy in its TRF docket (or may make such filing electronically as directed in Case No. 06-900-AU-WVR). The remaining two copies shall be designated for distribution to the Rates and Tariffs, Energy and Water Division of the Commission's Utilities Department. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the effective date of the new tariffs shall be a date not earlier than the date upon which final tariffs are filed with the Commission. It is, further,

ORDERED, That, in DEO's next transportation migration rider audit DEO's independent financial auditor shall perform the reviews described in this order. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Finding and Order shall be binding upon this Commission in any further proceeding or investigation involving the justness or reasonableness of any rate, charge, rule, or regulation. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon all parties of record in this proceeding.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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