

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Amendment of)
Chapter 4901:1-16, Ohio Administrative)
Code, Regarding Gas Pipeline Safety, to) Case No. 12-2040-GA-ORD
Implement Am. Sub. S.B. 315.)

ENTRY

The Commission finds:

- (1) Chapter 4901:1-16, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), contains rules for delineating the gas pipeline safety (GPS) requirements in Ohio, as well as the means for administering and enforcing those requirements.
- (2) On June 11, 2012, the governor of the state of Ohio signed in law Am. Sub. S.B. 315 (S.B. 315), which becomes effective on September 10, 2012. S.B. 315, *inter alia*, amended provisions contained in Chapter 4905, Revised Code, which govern the rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission contained in Chapter 4901:1-16, O.A.C.
- (3) At this time, the Commission finds it appropriate to initiate this docket, in order to incorporate the requirements set forth in S.B. 315 into Chapter 4901:1-16, O.A.C.
- (4) Prior to issuing Staff's proposed revisions to the rules for comment, it is appropriate to require Staff to hold a workshop with interested stakeholders. The sole focus of the workshop is the incorporation of the applicable provisions contained in S.B. 315 into Chapter 4901:1-16, O.A.C. At the workshop, Staff should elicit feedback on its proposed revisions to the rules and may permit stakeholders to propose their own revisions to the rules, which are intended to incorporate the requirements in S.B. 315. Interested stakeholders should come to the workshop prepared with necessary technical experts to provide appropriate feedback. An attorney examiner from the Commission's legal department will serve as a moderator for the workshop. After Staff has an opportunity to consider the feedback received at the workshop, proposed rule amendments will be issued for comments and reply comments by interested stakeholders.

- (5) Accordingly, the Commission finds that, at this time, a workshop should be scheduled for August 16, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, Hearing Room 11-B, Columbus, Ohio.

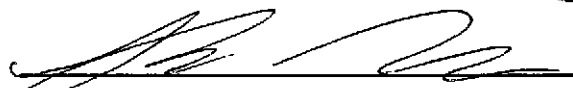
It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That, in accordance with finding (5), a workshop be scheduled for August 16, 2012. It is, further,


ORDERED, That an electronic notice or paper copy of this entry be served upon all gas and natural gas companies in the state of Ohio, all competitive retail gas suppliers, the Ohio Gas Association, the Ohio Oil and Gas Association, and all other interested persons subscribed to the Commission's gas-pipeline industry electronic mail list.

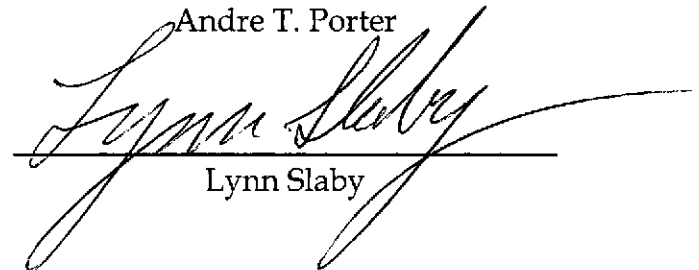
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