

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)
Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for Approval) Case No. 11-5515-GA-ALT
of an Alternative Form of Regulation.)
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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

On May 8, 2012, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. (Columbia) filed an application requesting authority to continue the infrastructure replacement program (IRP) portion of its alternative rate plan for an additional five years. Under the current procedural schedule, comments on Columbia's application are due on August 31, 2012, and reply comments are due on September 11, 2012.

The Staff hereby requests that the due date for the comments be extended to September 14, 2012 and that the due date for reply comments be extended to September 25, 2012. Staff also requests expedited consideration of this motion. The reasons for this motion are set forth in the accompanying Memorandum in Support.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

The parties to this proceeding have met several times in recent weeks and have made significant progress toward a resolution of the issues. Staff believes that a settlement is possible if the parties are granted additional time to continue discussions. Accordingly, the Staff requests an extension of time until September 14, 2012 for Staff and other parties to submit comments, and to September 25 for the filing of reply comments. All parties have agreed that they will not oppose this request.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing **Motion for Extension of Time** was served by electronic mail upon all parties of record, this 30th day of August, 2012.

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