## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
Piedmont Gas Company for Approval	)	Case No. 13-313-GA-UEX
of an Adjustment to its Uncollectible	)	₹
Expense Rider Rate	)	

#### APPLICATION

Piedmont Gas Company ("Piedmont") submits its Uncollectible Expense ("UEX") worksheet and respectfully requests approval to reduce its Uncollectible Expense Rider ("UEX Rider") rate. In support of its Application, Piedmont states as follows:

- 1. Piedmont is a public utility/natural gas company subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (the "Commission"). In Case No. 09-1862-GA-AIR, Piedmont established its initial UEX Rider which was set at \$0.02385 per Mcf and it was placed into effect in November, 2010.
- 2. Attachment 1 to this Application is Piedmont's worksheet which shows monthly beginning UEX balances, recovery through the UEX Rider each month, incremental bad debt, sales volumes and write-offs for the period 2011 through 2014.
- 3. Piedmont proposes a reduced UEX Rider rate of \$0.00122 per Mcf to become effective January 1, 2014. This rate is comprised of: (1) the balance of over collected uncollectible accounts expense as of December 31, 2012 and (2) an estimate of uncollectible accounts for the period January, 2013 through September, 2014 divided by the estimated sales volumes for the period January, 2013 through September, 2014. The calculation of the revised rate is shown on Attachment 2.

- 4. Piedmont's UEX Rider states that "The Company will file an application with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio requesting approval to change this charge if the Company determines that an annual Uncollectible Expense has increased or decreased by more than ten percent (10%) compared to the Uncollectible Expense experienced during the annual period upon which the current charge is based." The current Uncollectible Expense Rider is \$0.02385 per Mcf. Thus, the proposed reduction in the Uncollectible Expense Rider exceeds ten percent (10%) of the current UEX Rider rate.
- 5. The resulting rate of \$0.00122 per Mcf is just and reasonable and should be approved. A copy of the proposed scored tariff sheet is Attachment 3.

WHEREFORE, Piedmont Gas Company respectfully requests that the Commission approve the new UEX Rider rate proposed in this Application and direct it to file a revised tariff sheet with the new UEX Rider rate to become effective on January 1, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### ATTACHMENT 1

#### Piedmont Gas Company

### Uncollectible Accounts Expense Rider Reconciliation Case No. 13-313-GA-UEX

January 1, 2011 Through December 31, 2014

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1 Balance - Beginning of Month	\$	Jan 3,061	\$	Feb 1,849	\$	Mar 668	\$	Арг (160)	\$ May (799)	\$ June (1,182)	\$	July (1,493)	\$	Aug (1,721)	\$	Sept (2,020)	\$	Oct (2,354)	\$ Nov (2,785)	\$	Dec (3,523)	\$ Jan 3,948	\$ Feb 2,852
2 Bad Debts Written Off	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	8,431	\$139.01	\$0.00
3 Recovery - Base Rates	\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 	\$ -
4 Recovery Bad Debts Rider (a)	\$	1,212	\$	1,181	\$	829	\$	639	\$ 383	\$ 311	\$	228	\$	298	\$	334	\$	431	\$ 738	\$	960	\$ 1,235	\$ 1,125
5 Recovery - Other (b)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ •	\$	-		
6 Incremental Bad Debt (2-(3+4+5))	\$	(1,212)	\$	(1,181)	\$	(829)	\$	(639)	\$ (383)	\$ (311)	\$	(228)	\$	(298)	\$	(334)	\$	(431)	\$ (738)	\$	7,471	\$ (1,096)	\$ (1,125)
7 Balance Subtotal (1+6)	\$	1,849	\$	668	\$	(160)	\$	(799)	\$ (1,182)	\$ (1,493)	\$	(1,721)	\$	(2,020)	\$	(2,354)	\$	(2,785)	\$ (3,523)	\$	3,948	\$ 2,852	\$ 1,727
8 Carrying Charges ((1+7)/2 x d	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ ÷	\$ -
9 Balance End of Month (7+8)	\$	1,849	\$	668	\$	(160)	\$	(799)	\$ (1,182)	\$ (1,493)	\$	(1,721)	\$	(2,020)	\$	(2,354)	\$	(2,785)	\$ (3,523)	\$	3,948	\$ 2,852	\$ 1,727
(a) Actual Sales Volumes times Current Bad Debt Rider Recovery - Bad Debt Rider	\$ \$	50,822 0.02385 1,212.10	\$ \$	49,515 0.02385 1,180.93	\$	34,743 0.02385 828.62	\$ \$	26,800 0.02385 639.18	\$ 16,055 0.02385 382.91	\$	\$ \$	9,551 0.02385 227.79	\$ \$	12,513 0.02385 298.44	\$ \$		\$ \$	18,065 0.02385 430.85	\$	\$ \$	40,254 0.02385 960.06	\$ 51,788 0.02385 1,235.15	\$ 47,179 0.02385 1,125 21
(b) consists of customer payments, net of	ollectio	n agency rev	enue,	and other col	llectio	ons																	
( c ) Annual Carrying Charge Rate		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%	0.00%		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
(d) Monthly Carrying Charge Rate		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%	0.00%		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
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2012 Sales Volumes		319,874				318,105																	
2013 Sales Volumes - Actual 2013 Sales Volumes - Projected		199,903 118,203																					
2014 Sales Volumes - Projected		318105				318,105																	
2011 Sales Volumes - 6 months		190.976				195,589																	

2011 Sales Volumes	316,337	
2012 Sales Volumes	319,874	318,105
2013 Sales Volumes - Actual	199,903	
2013 Sales Volumes - Projected	118,203	
2014 Sales Volumes - Projected	318105	318,105
2011 Sales Volumes - 6 months	190,976	195,589
2012 Sales Volumes - 6 monhts	178,773	
2013 Sales Volumes - 6 months	217,019	
2014 Sales Volumes - 6 months	238,308	
2011 Write Offs	\$ 8,431	
2012 Write Offs	\$1,692.65	3,597
2013 Write Offs (Jan - Sept)	\$666.07	
2013 Write Offs (Oct - Dec)	1000	
2012 Write Offs (Jan - Sept)	\$1,586.18	
2012 Write Offs (Oct-Dec)	\$106.47	
2013 Write Offs (Jan - Sept)	\$666.07	
2013 Write Offs (Projected Oct-Dec)	1000	
2014 Write Offs (Jan - June)	750	

2012																		2013										
Mar \$ 1,72	7 \$	Apr 1,968	May \$ 1,595	June \$ 1,347	Ju \$ 1	lly 1,121	Au \$		Sept \$ 74	3 \$	Oct 405	\$	Nov (27)	Dec \$ (1,039)	\$	Jan (1,988)	Feb \$ (3,336)	Mar \$ (4,553)	Apr \$ (5,311)	May \$ (5,904)	June \$ (6,310)	July \$ (6,551)	Aug \$ (6,854)	Sept \$ (7,127)	Oct \$ (7,438)			
\$898.7	2	\$194.97	\$110.30	\$93.38	\$1	15.64	\$13	84.16	\$0.00	)	\$106.47		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$397.58	\$174.61	\$40.86	\$0.00	\$42.11	\$10.91	\$0.00	\$333.00			
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Nov \$ (7,589)	Dec \$ (8,132)	Jan \$ (8,753)	Feb \$ (8,695)	Mar \$ (8,629)	Apr \$ (8,551)	May \$ (8,460)	June \$ (8,356)	July \$ (8,245)	Aug \$ (8,260)	Sept \$ (8,274)	Oct \$ (8,291)	Nov \$ (8,317)	Dec \$ (8,365)	
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\$ 875	\$ 955	\$ 66	\$ 60	\$ 46	\$ 34	\$ 21	\$ 14	\$ 16	\$ 14	\$ 17	\$ 26	\$ 48	\$ 49	
\$ (542)	\$ (622)	\$ 59	\$ 65	\$ 79	\$ 91	\$ 104	\$ 111	\$ (16)	\$ (14)	\$ (17)	\$ (26)	\$ (48)	\$ (49)	
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\$ (8,132)	\$ (8,753)	\$ (8,695)	\$ (8,629)	\$ (8,551)	\$ (8,460)	\$ (8,356)	\$ (8,245)	\$ (8,260)	\$ (8,274)	\$ (8,291)	\$ (8,317)	\$ (8,365)	\$ (8,414)	
36,696 \$ 0.02385 875.21	40,036 \$ 0.02385 954.86	54,153 \$ 0.00122 66.07	49,107 \$ 0.00122 59.91	38,001 \$ 0.00122 46.36	27,984 \$ 0.00122 34.14	16,894 \$ 0.00122 20.61	11,757 \$ 0.00122 14.34	12,714 \$ 0.00122 15.51	11,539 \$ 0.00122 14.08	13,588 \$ 0.00122 16.58	21,439 \$ 0.00122 26.16	39,568 \$ 0.00122 48.27	39,927 \$ 0.00122 48.71	
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# ATTACHMENT 2<sup>°</sup> Piedmont Gas Company Revised Rider Rate Calculation November, 2013 Case No. 13-313-GA-UEX

1 Balance Under (Over) Collected 12/31/12	\$ (1,988.34)	
2 Estimated Uncollectible Accts 1/13 - 9/14 Under (Over)	\$2,666.07	
3 Total to Collect (Line 1 + Line 2) Under (Over)	\$ 677.73	
4 Estimated Sales Volumes 1/13 - 9/14	556,413	Mcf
5 Calculated Revised Rider Rate (Line 3/Line 4)	\$ 0.00122 p	er mcf
6 Current Rider Rate Case No. 09-1862-GA-AIR	\$ 0.02385 p	oer mcf
7 Proposed Uncollectible Expense Rider Adjustment (Line 5 - Line 6	\$ (0.02263) p	oer mcf
8 Percentage Change in Rate (Line 7/Line 6)	-94.89%	

Second Third Revised Sheet 18
Cancels
First Second Revised Sheet 18

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- 52. <u>Uncollectible Expense Rider</u>. In addition to the above rates, a charge of \$0.02385 \$0.00122 per mcf will be applied to all gas consumed pursuant to this rate schedule to recover the cost associated with uncollectible amounts of those customers subject to Uncollectible Expense Riders. The Company will file an application with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio requesting approval to change this charge if the Company determines that the annual uncollectible expense has increased or decreased by more than ten percent compared to the uncollectible expense experience during the annual period upon which the current charge is based.
- 53. Gross Receipts Tax Rider. In addition to all other rates and charges, amounts billed by the Company shall be subject to a rider at the Company's effective gross tax rate to provide for the recovery of the Company's gross tax receipts tax liability under Section 5727.25, Revised Code.

The Gross Receipts Tax Rider is applicable to all charges billed by the Company, including miscellaneous charges and all applicable rider rates, except that this rider shall not be billed to those customers statutorily exempted from the payment of gross receipts taxes.

All bills rendered shall be adjusted to include the effect of the Ohio excise tax on gross receipts billings at a rate of 4.9252 percent.

54. MCF Excise Tax Rider. In addition to all other rates and charges, all gas consumed shall be subject to an MCF tax rider to provide for the recovery of the Company's excise tax liability under Section 5727.811, Revised Code.

A rate of \$.1593 per MCF will be applied to the first 100 MCF per month. A rate of \$.0877 per MCF will be applied for the next 1,900 MCF per month. A rate of \$.0411 will be applied for all gas consumed above 2,000 MCF per month.

All bills rendered to a flex customer as defined by Section 5727.80(N), Revised Code shall be adjusted to provide for recovery of the MCF excise tax at the rate of \$.02 per MCF on all volumes delivered.

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