## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

| In the Matter of the Application of | ) |                         |
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| Suburban Natural Gas Company for an | ) | Case No. 15-1048-GA-RDR |
| Adjustment to its Infrastructure    | ) |                         |
| Replacement Program Rider.          | ) |                         |

## **ENTRY**

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) Suburban Natural Gas Company (Suburban) is a natural gas company as defined by R.C. 4905.03 and a public utility as defined by R.C. 4905.02, and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission pursuant to R.C. 4905.04, 4905.05, and 4905.06.
- (2) On August 28, 2015, Suburban filed an application for an approval to adjust its infrastructure replacement program rider.
- (3) By Entry issued September 4, 2015, the attorney examiner set a procedural schedule. According to the schedule, Staff filed comments on the application on September 24, 2015. Suburban was ordered to file a statement, by September 30, 2015, informing the Commission whether the issues raised in the comments have been resolved.
- (4) On September 29, 2015, Suburban filed a motion to extend the procedural schedule for two weeks. Because its statement is due September 30, 2015, Suburban requests an expedited ruling. Suburban notes that Staff supports the request. In the memorandum in support of its motion, Suburban states that Staff absences have delayed efforts to discuss and resolve issues raised in Staff's comments. Suburban, therefore, seeks a two-week extension of time to file its statement of whether issues remain to be resolved. By providing additional time to resolve issues, Suburban believes that the Commission will expend its resources more efficiently.
- (5) On September 30, 2015, Suburban filed a statement in which it informed the Commission that the issues raised by Staff have

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not been resolved. Suburban stated that it would continue to engage in discussions with Staff to resolve all pending issues.

(6) The attorney examiner shall grant, in part, the motion for an extension of time. The attorney examiner recognizes that additional time for discussion may lead to the resolution of issues. However, a two-week extension of time would not allow for the timely implementation of any agreed upon rate for the next billing cycle. Consequently, the attorney examiner shall grant a one-week extension of time to allow Suburban to update its statement based upon its discussions with Staff. Suburban shall file its statement on or before October 7, 2015. The statement should reflect the status of issues pending at that time. The remainder of the procedural schedule established in the September 4, 2015 Entry shall remain unchanged.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That, in accordance with Finding (6), Suburban's motion for an extension of the procedural schedule is granted, in part. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Suburban shall file, by October 7, 2015, an updated statement of whether any issues raised in Staff's comments have been resolved. It is, further,

ORDERED, That copies of this Entry be served upon the parties and all interested persons of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

/s/ L. Douglas Jennings

By: L. Douglas Jennings Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry granting, in part, motion for extension of time; electronically filed by Vesta R Miller on behalf of L. Douglas Jennings, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio