

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
OHIO GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF
A REASONABLE ARRANGEMENT FOR
TRANSPORTING NATURAL GAS WITH
EDON FARMERS CO-OP.**

CASE No. 16-1534-GA-AEC

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
OHIO GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF
A REASONABLE ARRANGEMENT FOR
TRANSPORTING NATURAL GAS WITH
SCHMIDT BROTHERS, INC.**

CASE No. 16-1535-GA-AEC

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
OHIO GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF
A REASONABLE ARRANGEMENT FOR
TRANSPORTING NATURAL GAS WITH
GERALD GRAIN CENTER.**

CASE No. 16-1536-GA-AEC

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
OHIO GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF
A REASONABLE ARRANGEMENT FOR
TRANSPORTING NATURAL GAS WITH
GERALD GRAIN CENTER - ARCHBOLD.**

CASE No. 16-1884-GA-AEC

FINDING AND ORDER

Entered in the Journal on November 30, 2016

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Commission approves the applications of Ohio Gas Company for reasonable arrangements for the transportation of gas to the facilities of Edon Farmers Co-Op, Schmidt Brothers, Inc., Gerald Grain Center, and Gerald Grain Center - Archbold.

II. DISCUSSION

{¶ 2} Ohio Gas Company (Ohio Gas) is a natural gas company as defined in R.C. 4905.03 and a public utility as defined in R.C. 4905.02, and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

{¶ 3} R.C. 4905.31 authorizes the Commission to approve schedules or reasonable arrangements between a public utility and one or more of its customers. The statute provides that every such schedule or reasonable arrangement shall be under the supervision and regulation of the Commission, and is subject to change, alteration, or modification by the Commission.

{¶ 4} On July 6, 2016, in Case No. 16-1534-GA-AEC, Ohio Gas filed an application, pursuant to R.C. 4905.31, seeking approval of a reasonable arrangement for interruptible gas transportation service to facilities owned and operated by Edon Farmers Co-Op. On September 15, 2016, Ohio Gas filed a motion, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-06, seeking approval to amend its application and to substitute a revised reasonable arrangement. Ohio Gas notes that the reasonable arrangement was revised in response to recommendations from Staff. The Commission finds that the motion is reasonable and should be granted.

{¶ 5} On July 6, 2016, in Case No. 16-1535-GA-AEC, Ohio Gas filed an application, pursuant to R.C. 4905.31, seeking approval of a reasonable arrangement for firm gas transportation service to facilities owned and operated by Schmidt Brothers, Inc. On September 15, 2016, Ohio Gas filed a motion, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-06, seeking approval to amend its application and to substitute a revised reasonable arrangement. Ohio Gas notes that the reasonable arrangement was revised in response to recommendations from Staff. The Commission finds that the motion is reasonable and should be granted.

{¶ 6} On July 6, 2016, in Case No. 16-1536-GA-AEC, Ohio Gas filed an application, pursuant to R.C. 4905.31, seeking approval of a reasonable arrangement for interruptible gas transportation service to facilities owned and operated by Gerald Grain Center. On September 15, 2016, Ohio Gas filed a motion, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-06, seeking approval to amend its application and to substitute a revised reasonable arrangement. Ohio Gas notes that the reasonable arrangement was revised in response to recommendations from Staff. The Commission finds that the motion is reasonable and should be granted.

{¶ 7} On September 15, 2016, in Case No. 16-1884-GA-AEC, Ohio Gas filed an application, pursuant to R.C. 4905.31, seeking approval of a reasonable arrangement for interruptible gas transportation service to facilities owned and operated by Gerald Grain Center - Archbold.

{¶ 8} On October 26, 2016, in the above-captioned proceedings, Staff filed its review and recommendations in response to the applications filed by Ohio Gas. In its review and recommendations, Staff notes that the reasonable arrangements include customer charges, declining block transportation rates, record-keeping charges, uncounted-for-gas rates, balancing fees, and imbalance provisions. Staff further notes that the reasonable arrangements include an initial term of one year, continuing thereafter as month-to-month agreements, subject to a 30-day cancellation notice by either party. Staff concludes that, as amended, the applications are reasonable and in the public interest and should, therefore, be approved.

{¶ 9} Upon review of the applications filed by Ohio Gas, as well as Staff's review and recommendations, the Commission finds that the applications, as amended by Ohio Gas, do not appear to be unjust or unreasonable and should, therefore, be approved. Accordingly, we find that the reasonable arrangements, as filed in each case on September 15, 2016, should be approved pursuant to R.C. 4905.31.

III. ORDER

{¶ 10} It is, therefore,

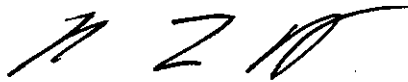
{¶ 11} ORDERED, That the motions filed by Ohio Gas on September 15, 2016, to amend its applications be granted. It is, further,

{¶ 12} ORDERED, That the applications and reasonable arrangements, as filed by Ohio Gas on September 15, 2016, be approved. It is, further,

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

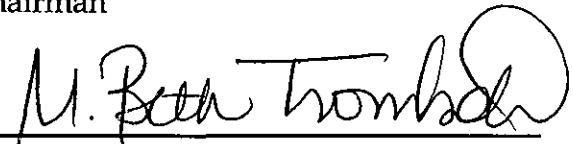
{¶ 14} ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO



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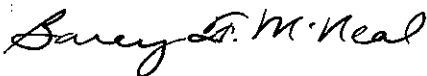


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