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MOTION TO INTERVENE AND MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF IGS ENERGY

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MOTION TO INTERVENE

Pursuant to R.C. 4903.221 and Rule 4901-1-11, Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC"), Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. ("IGS" or "IGS Energy") moves to intervene in the above captioned proceedings, in which Ohio Power Company ("AEP Ohio") is seeking an extension to its third Electric Security Plan ("ESP").

As set forth in the attached Memorandum in Support, IGS submits that it has a direct, real, and substantial interest in the issues and matters involved in the above-captioned proceedings, and that it is so situated that the disposition of these proceedings without IGS's participation may, as a practical matter, impair or impede IGS's ability to protect that interest. IGS further submits that its participation in these proceedings will not cause undue delay, will not unjustly prejudice any existing party, and will contribute to the just and expeditious resolution of the issues and concerns raised in these proceedings.

IGS's interests will not be adequately represented by other parties to these proceedings and therefore, IGS is entitled to intervene in these proceedings with the full powers and rights granted to intervening parties.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

IGS has over 26 years of experience serving customers in Ohio's competitive markets. IGS serves over 1 million customers nationwide and sells natural gas and electricity to customers in 11 states and in over 40 utility service territories. In Ohio, IGS currently serves electric customers in the Ohio Power, Duke Energy Ohio, FirstEnergy and the Dayton Power & Light service territories. The IGS family of companies (which also include IGS Solar, IGS Generation, and IGS CNG Services) also provide customers focused energy solutions that complement IGS Energy's core commodity business including distributed generation, demand response, compressed natural gas refueling, back-up generation and utility line protection.

In this proceeding, the Commission will evaluate a substantial amount of change to AEP Ohio's previously approved ESP. AEP Ohio is proposing to implement several new services and programs, such as microgrids, Plug-in Electric Vehicle Infrastructure, and Smart Lighting controls in addition to tariff changes such as the Open Access Tariff. AEP is also proposing the implementation of a Competition Incentive Rider and subsequent SSO Credit Rider.

IGS respectfully submits that it is entitled to intervene in these proceedings because IGS has a real and substantial interest in these proceedings, the disposition of which may impair or impede its ability to protect that interest.

For purposes of considering requests for leave to intervene in a Commission

proceeding, the Commission's rules provide that:

Upon timely motion, any person shall be permitted to intervene in a proceeding upon a showing that: (1) A statute of this state or the United States confers a right to intervene. (2) The person has a real and substantial interest in the proceeding, and the person is so situated that the disposition of the proceeding may, as a practical matter, impair or impede his or her ability to protect that interest, unless the person's interest is adequately represented by existing parties.¹

Further, RC 4903.221(B) and Rule 4901-1-11(B), OAC, provide that the Commission, in

ruling upon applications to intervene in its proceedings, shall consider the following criteria:

(1) The nature and extent of the prospective intervener's interest; (2) The legal position advanced by the prospective intervener and its probable relation to the merits of the case; (3) Whether the intervention by the prospective intervener will unduly prolong or delay the proceedings; (4) Whether the prospective intervener will significantly contribute to full development and equitable resolution of the factual issues.

IGS has direct, real, and substantial interests in these proceedings. IGS's intervention will not unduly delay these proceedings. Further, IGS is so situated that without IGS's ability to fully participate in these proceedings, its substantial interest will be prejudiced. Others participating in these proceedings do not represent IGS's interests. Inasmuch as others participating in these proceedings cannot adequately protect IGS's

¹ Rule 4901-1-11(A), OAC.

interests, it would be inappropriate to determine these proceedings without IGS's participation.

Finally, the Supreme Court of Ohio has held that intervention should be liberally allowed for those with an interest in the proceeding.² In light of the liberal interpretation of the intervention rules, IGS clearly meets the standards for intervention in these proceedings.

For the reasons set forth above, IGS respectfully requests the Commission grant this Motion to Intervene.

Respectfully submitted,

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² Ohio Consumers' Counsel v. Pub. Util. Comm., (2006) 111 OhioSt.3d 384, 388.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that this Motion to Intervene and Memorandum in Support of *Interstate Gas Supply, Inc.* was filed electronically through the Docketing Information System of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio on this 23nd day of December 2016. The PUCO's e-filing system will electronically serve notice of the filing of this document on the following parties:

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