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RE: In the Matter of *the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Approval to Modify Riders in Case No. 17-46-GA-RDR.*

Dear Docketing Division:

Enclosed please find the Staff's Review and Recommendations in regard to the application filed by Duke Energy Ohio seeking approval to modify riders in Case No. 17-46-GA-RDR.

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Enclosure
Cc: Parties of Record

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Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.
Case No. 17-46-GA-RDR

SUMMARY

On January 6, 2017, Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke) filed an application seeking to amend its Firm Balancing Service (FBS) and Enhanced Firm Balancing Service (EFBS) rates due to changes in the transportation and demand charges being billed by Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (TCO) and prevailing commodity prices. The FBS and EFBS calculations are unchanged from those filed in prior cases, except for the new TCO charges and commodity prices, as shown on Exhibits 1 and 3. The FBS would increase from \$0.185 to \$0.214 per Mcf, as shown on proposed tariffs, following Exhibit 1. The EFBS demand charge would increase from \$6.98 to \$7.16 per Dth and the volumetric charge would increase from \$0.015 to \$0.018 per Mcf, as shown on proposed tariffs, following Exhibit 3.

The costs of the FBS and EFBS are recovered through Duke's gas cost recovery rider (GCR). Duke provides FBS and EFBS to its transportation customers with the revenue collected credited to its GCR.

STAFF REVIEW

Staff has reviewed the application filed in the above case and finds it to be reasonable and in the public interest.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff believes that the application filed by Duke is reasonable and should be approved.