

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of)
Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for Authority)
to Abandon Service to Three Premises in) Case No. 18-1664-GA-ABN
Ross County, Pursuant to Ohio Revised)
Code Sections 4905.20 and 4905.21.)

**APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.
FOR AUTHORITY TO ABANDON SERVICE
TO THREE PREMISES IN ROSS COUNTY, OHIO**

Now comes Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. (hereinafter "Columbia") and files its application, pursuant to R.C. §§ 4905.20 and 4905.21, for authority to abandon retail natural gas service to three premises in Ross County, Ohio. In support of its application, Columbia states that:

1. Columbia is a natural gas company and a public utility within the meaning of R.C. §§ 4905.02 and 4905.03, and is therefore subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

2. Columbia and its corporate predecessor have provided retail natural gas service to three premises through a direct tap on Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC's (hereinafter "Columbia Transmission") Line C, which is a high pressure, interstate transmission pipeline. Such service has been provided as partial consideration for a right-of-way, which permitted the pipeline to cross said premises.

3. Columbia Transmission has informed Columbia that a portion of Line C has been abandoned and replaced with a four-inch, coated steel pipeline. This replacement prompted Columbia Transmission to abandon the taps on the new line that currently services three premises in Ross County near Chillicothe, Ohio.

4. Columbia has determined that it is not economically feasible to maintain natural gas service to the tap customers by extending Columbia's distribution system to serve the three premises in question. Therefore, Columbia seeks authority to abandon service.

5. The names of the affected property owners and the addresses of the subject premises are as follows:

Customer Name	Address	Alternative Fuel Source
Charles and Therese Thurston	427 Oak Lane Kingston, Ohio 45644	Propane
Bob and Barbara Detillion	127 Oak Lane Kingston, Ohio 45644	Propane
Rom and Jodi Hastings	14572 Kingston-Adelphi Rd. Kingston, Ohio 45644	Propane

All affected property owners have agreed to a disconnection and abandonment of service, and have been compensated to convert to an alternative fuel source.

6. For the reasons described herein, Columbia submits that the abandonment described herein is reasonable, having due regard for the welfare of the public and the cost of operating the service and related facilities.

WHEREFORE, Columbia respectfully asks the Commission to authorize the abandonment of retail natural gas service to the premises listed above.

Respectfully submitted by,

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