## 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 Four Premises in Muskingum	)	Case No. 18-1665-GA-ABN
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 FOUR PREMISES IN MUSKINGUM 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 four premises in Muskingum 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 via farm taps to premises through a direct tap on Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC's (hereinafter "Columbia Transmission") Line O731, which is 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 O731 has been abandoned. This abandonment prompted Columbia Transmission to abandon the farm taps on Line O731 in Muskingum County.
- 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 four premises in question. Therefore, Columbia seeks authority to abandon service to the four premises.

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

Customer	Address	County	Alternative
Name			Fuel Source
Marvin E.	6280 Dresden Adamsville Road	Muskingum	Propane
Yoder	Adamsville, Ohio 43802	_	_
Carl and	5795 Edgemoor Road	Muskingum	Propane
Linda Vernon	Adamsville, Ohio 43802		
Ronnie &	6020 Dresden Adamsville Road	Muskingum	Propane
Tonya Kreis	Adamsville, Ohio 43802	_	_
Tyna Dailey	5787 Dresden Adamsville Road	Muskingum	Propane
	Adamsville, Ohio 43802		

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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