

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Co-)
lumbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for Authority to)
Abandon Service to Twelve Premises in) Case No. 18-1662-GA-ABN
Hocking and Vinton Counties, Pursuant)
to Ohio Revised Code Sections 4905.20)
and 4905.21.)

**APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.
FOR AUTHORITY TO ABANDON SERVICE
TO TWELVE PREMISES IN
HOCKING AND VINTON COUNTIES, 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 twelve premises in Hocking and Vinton Counties, 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 R-501, 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 R-501 has been abandoned and replaced with new coated steel pipeline. This replacement prompted Columbia Transmission to abandon the farm taps on the lines to be abandoned in Hocking and Vinton Counties.

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

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

Customer Name	Address	County	Alternative Fuel Source
Donald & Judith Hoellrich	26195 Buena Vista Rd. Rockbridge, Ohio 43149	Hocking	Propane
Richard & Helen Mowrey	27600 SR 180 Rockbridge, Ohio 43149	Hocking	Propane
Paul M. Sater	27140 Wildcat Road Rockbridge, Ohio 43149	Hocking	Propane
Robert & Evelyn Sauers	27841 Wildcat Road Rockbridge, Ohio 43149	Hocking	Propane
Betty Dalton	14783 Pleasant Valley Rd Logan, Ohio 43138	Hocking	Electric
Tom Hatfield	15087 Pleasant Valley Rd Logan, Ohio 43138	Hocking	Electric
John H. Beck, Jr.	15083 Pleasant Valley Rd Logan, Ohio 43138	Hocking	Propane
Dean & Darla Minamyers	18908 S.R. 664 S. Logan, Ohio 43138	Hocking	Propane
David Hankison	19199 Kalklosch Rod Logan, Ohio 43138	Hocking	Propane
James R. Hoover	62016 Silverly Creek Rd. McArthur, Ohio 45651	Vinton	Propane
Richard Angles & Angela McClellan	62001 Bolar Rd McArthur, Ohio 45651	Vinton	Propane
Roy Pierce	61713 Lock Plant McArthur, Ohio 45651	Vinton	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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