

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Annual Applica-)
tion of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for) Case No. 18-1701-GA-RDR
an Adjustment to Rider IRP and Rider)
DSM Rates.)

**STATEMENT OF COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.,
INFORMING THE COMMISSION WHETHER
ISSUES RAISED IN COMMENTS HAVE BEEN RESOLVED**

Now comes Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. ("Columbia") in accordance with the Attorney Examiner's Entry dated March 8, 2019, submitting this Statement informing the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Commission") whether the issues in Staff's comments have been resolved.

On March 22, 2019, Staff filed its Comments recommending approval of Columbia's Rider IRP and Rider DSM rates as filed on February 28, 2019. Staff also reserved the right to examine the last three months of 2018 revenues and expenditures during the next Rider IRP and Rider DSM Audit. Columbia agrees with Staff's Conclusions and Recommendations filed in this proceeding.

On March 22, 2019, Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy ("OPAE") filed its Comments stating it did not have any comments on the Rider IRP and Rider DSM rates as filed on February 28, 2019. The Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel moved to intervene in this proceeding, but did not file any comments.

On March 18, 2019, the Environmental Law and Policy Center ("ELPC") filed a motion to intervene in this proceeding. On March 22, 2019, ELPC filed its Comments in this proceeding. ELPC's comments request the expansion of Columbia's smart thermostat offerings in the Simple Energy Solutions program. Columbia does not agree with ELPC's Comments filed in this proceeding.

Columbia and the parties other than ELPC will be filing a stipulation that resolves all issues in this case, with the exception of the issues raised by ELPC. Columbia has been working to resolve the issues raised by ELPC, but has been

unable to negotiate a settlement with ELPC. Therefore, Columbia anticipates a hearing in this case is necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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Summary: Memorandum /Statement informing the Commission whether issues raised in comments have been resolved electronically filed by Cheryl A MacDonald on behalf of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.