BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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)	Case No. 19-0421-GA-PIP
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APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. ("Columbia"), hereby submits its annual Interim, Emergency and Temporary Percentage of Income Payment Plan Rider Report ("PIP Plan Rider"), and also requests approval to increase its PIP Plan Rider rate. In support of its Application, Columbia states as follows:

- 1. In Paragraph 51 of the Commission's December 14, 2011 Finding and Order in Case No. 08-1229-GA-COI, the Commission directed each natural gas company to file an annual PIP Plan status report each May. The annual report is required to include the level of PIP Plan recoveries to write off and the rate, if applicable. In compliance with this Order, attached hereto as Attachment 1 is Columbia's annual PIP Plan Rider Report.
- 2. The December 14, 2011 Finding and Order also requires natural gas companies to file for approval of a PIP Plan Rider rate adjustment whenever an increase or decrease of ten percent or more can be justified.
- 3. Columbia's current PIP Plan Rider rate is \$0.1053 per Mcf. This rate became effective on May 31, 2018, and was designed to recover the projected level of arrears expected to occur during the subsequent twelve-month period.
- 4. Columbia's annual review of its PIP Plan Rider rate indicates that the PIP Plan Rider rate should be increased to \$0.1427 per Mcf, an increase of \$0.0374 per Mcf. Attachment 2 is a copy of the proposed tariff sheets that provide for the proposed increase in Columbia's PIP Plan Rider rate.

- 5. The development of the proposed PIP Plan Rider of \$0.1427 per Mcf and the change from the current rate is set forth on Attachment 3. The proposed rate is designed to recover the projected level of arrears expected to occur during the next twelve-month period, plus an under-collection of \$8,646,251.29.
- 6. The method of computing the proposed PIP Plan Rider for purposes of this Application is consistent with that approved by the Commission's December 2, 1993 Finding and Order in Case No. 88-1115-GE-PIP, 90-705-GE-PIP and 90-879-GE-ORD ("1993 Order"). The 1993 Order provides for a proceeding by a utility to adjust its PIP Plan Rider to a "true-up" rate in order to recover, over a twelve-month period, the PIP Plan arrearages accumulated over the year plus or minus any deficiency or excess recovered by the rider during a prior year. The Commission has continued to recognize that an emergency, as contemplated by R.C. § 4909.16, continues to exist, and, in response to such emergency, that the PIP Plan should continue to be available to residential customers, as set forth in the Stipulation and Recommendation in Case No. 88-1115-GE-PIP, et al., approved by the 1993 Order. Said Stipulation and Recommendation provides for the adjustment of PIP Plan Riders upon request of the affected utility.
- 7. In the 1993 Order, the Commission established a procedure that permits a utility to implement a new PIP Plan Rider rate on the forty-sixth day after the filing of an application, absent action by the Commission. This procedure is similar to the procedure established by the Commission in Case No. 93-1000-EL-FOR for recovery of certain State EPA Emission Application Fees. Columbia hereby requests that the proposed PIP Plan Rider rate set forth in this Application, absent Commission action, become effective on the forty-sixth day after the filing of this Application.

WHEREFORE, Columbia respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Application and proposed PIP Plan Rider rate as set forth herein and on Attachment 2, to become effective with the first billing unit for the month immediately following the forty-sixth day after the filing of this Application.

Respectfully submitted by,

COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.

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ATTACHMENT 1 PIP PLAN RIDER REPORT

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Computation of Annual Shortfall Requirement

Line No.	Description	Balance @ 3/31/2019	Balance @ 3/31/2018	Annual Change
1	(Over)/Under-Collection at March 31, 2018			8,324,685
2	Net Charge-offs Less Than 2 Months Old	8,684,925	11,730,657	(3,045,732)
3	Net Charge-offs Greater Than 2 Months Old	487,009,705	481,592,697	5,417,008
4	PIPP Arrearage Credit - Phase I	17,173,284	17,173,284	0
5	PIPP Arrearage Credit - Phase II	12,945,669	12,945,669	0
6	PIPP Arrearage Credit - Phase III	9,573,468	9,573,468	0
7	PIPP Arrearage Credit - Phase IV	4,396,175	4,396,175	0
8	PIPP PYMC Credit	1,140,675	1,140,675	0
9	PIPP Plus 1/24th Credit	108,012,425	96,162,082	11,850,343
10	PIPP Plus Delta Credit	107,626,516	103,972,010	3,654,506
11	PIPP Grad Plus 1/24th Credit	2,492,051	2,311,988	180,062
12	PIPP Grad Plus Delta Credit	13,520,547	13,259,604	260,944
13	PIPP Enrollment/Reverification Fee	1,181,680	921,784	259,896
14	PIPP Plus 1/24th Credit - ADJ	(598,263)	(560,519)	(37,745)
15	PIPP Plus Delta Credit - ADJ	(124,164)	(116,956)	(7,208)
16	PIPP Grad Plus 1/12th Credit - ADJ	(7,950)	(7,935)	(15)
17	PIPP Grad Plus Delta Credit - ADJ	46,066	46,224	(158)
18	Post PIPP 1/12th Credit	19,371	14,879	4,492
19	Post PIPP 1/12th Credit - ADJ	0	22	(22)
20	Net Charge Offs - Unbilled Revenue	(1,204,533)	137,281	(1,341,814)
21	Total	771,887,646	754,693,088	17,194,558
22	Recoveries	(759,671,869)	(743,540,435)	(16,131,434)
23	(Over)/Under-Collection, TME March 31, 2019			9,387,809

ATTACHMENT 2 PROPOSED TARIFFS

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COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF GAS

PIP PLAN TARIFF SCHEDULE RIDER

APPLICABLE:

To all volumes delivered under rate schedules SGS, SGSS, GS, GSS and LGS except for those volumes delivered to Customers taking service under these rate schedules that were Transportation Service Customers prior to April 1, 2012 and were not subject to payment of the PIPP Rider prior to April 1, 2012.

RATE RIDER:

All gas consumed per account per month

\$0.1427 per Mcf

RECONCILIATION ADJUSTMENT:

This Rider is subject to reconciliation or adjustment, including but not limited to, increases or refunds. Such reconciliation or adjustment shall be limited to the twelve-month period of PIP Plan expense upon which the rate was calculated, if determined to be unlawful, unreasonable, or imprudent by the Commission in the docket those rates were approved or the Supreme Court of Ohio.

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26. GAS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE BILLING ADJUSTMENTS

INTERIM, EMERGENCY AND TEMPORARY

PIP PLAN TARIFF SCHEDULE RIDER

APPLICABLE

To all customers who were sales customers as of June 3, 1994, and any new customer account established after June 3, 1994.

PIP PLAN TARIFF BASE RATE RIDER

A PIP Plan base rate rider of \$0.1427 per Mcf will apply to all tariff volumes of applicable customers.

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SECTION VII PART 29 - BILLING ADJUSTMENTS

INTERIM, EMERGENCY AND TEMPORARY PIP PLAN TARIFF SCHEDULE RIDER

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All gas consumed per account per month

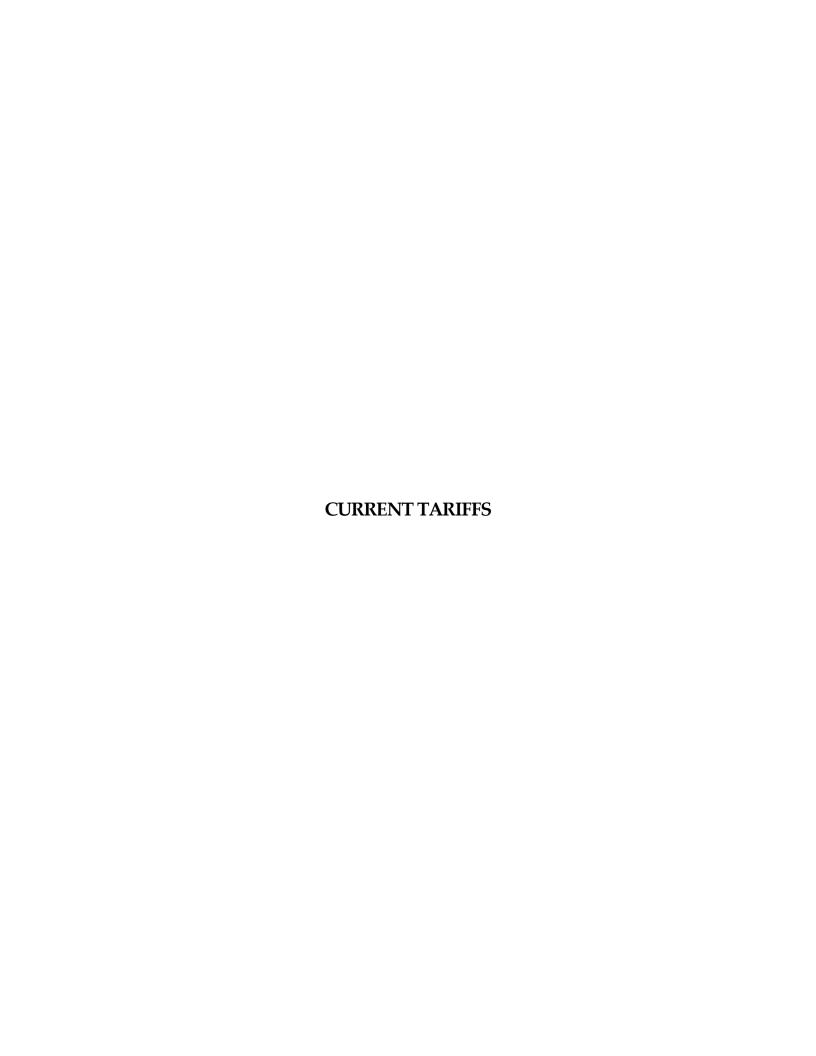
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ATTACHMENT 3 COMPUTATION OF PIP PLAN RIDER RATE

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Computation of Proposed PIPP Rate

Line No.	Description	Reference	Amount
H	Projected PIPP Arrears Balance @ May 31, 2019	Attachment 3, page 3 of 4	8,646,251.29
7	Projected Increase/Decrease in PIPP Arrears June 2019 - May 2020	Attachment 3, page 2 of 4	16,750,835.85
ĸ	Total		25,397,087.14
4	Projected Throughput Subject to PIPP Surcharge Twelve Months Ending May 31, 2020	Attachment 3, page 4 of 4	178,024,691
2	Proposed PIPP Rate Per Mcf		0.1427

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Computation of Projected Change In PIPP Arrears April 2019 Through May 2020

	Projected	Commodity	Rate 1)	(18)	❖		0.7978	0.7599		0.8076	0.8033	0.8033	0.8033	1.1704	1.1704	1.1704	1.2260	1.2260	1.2260	1.1614	1.1614	
	Projected	DSS	Rate	(17)	\$		3.8930	3.8850		3.9300	3.9550	3.9750	3.9950	3.9840	4.0460	4.1960	4.2800	4.2350	4.1000	3.8120	3.7770	
Incremental	Change	PIPP	Arrears	(16)	\$.	:	1,714,949.41	409,492.05	2,124,441.46	(85,778.24)	(222,199.34)	(47,222.17)	19,138.14	311,767.18	1,493,211.90	3,454,638.60	4,742,633.77	1,449,260.28	2,938,007.60	2,027,532.17	669,845.95	
	Less	HEAP/Other	Payments	(15)	⋄	!	649,147	473,765		231,130	186,613	17,325	19,281	17,177	53,049	265,219	1,031,304	4,183,432	1,407,732	649,147	473,765	
	Less	Customer	Payments 2)	(14)	₩		2,111,478	1,994,593		1,944,387	1,922,330	1,968,436	1,924,750	1,941,693	1,913,507	1,977,298	2,103,748	2,140,329	2,109,956	2,126,392	2,008,686	
	Total	PIPP	Billings	$(13 = 1 \times 12)$	❖		4,475,574.88	2,877,850.05		2,089,738.75	1,886,743.26	1,938,538.60	1,963,169.22	2,270,638.09	3,459,766.96	5,697,155.70	7,877,686.40	7,773,020.89	6,455,695.02	4,803,070.92	3,152,297.39	
		Total	Bill	(12)	ş	;	82.75	56.33		41.96	38.32	38.45	39.82	45.65	70.59	112.49	146.19	141.78	119.45	88.18	61.27	
	Gross	Receipts	Tax	(11)	\$		3.93	2.68		1.99	1.82	1.83	1.89	2.17	3.35	5.34	6.94	6.73	2.67	4.19	2.91	
		_				:	42.08	20.96		9.43	9:99	6.67	7.23	11.01	29.47	80.09	84.69	81.23	64.26	41.16	20.37	
		Commodity	Charge Cost	$(9 = 3 \times 18)$ (1)	\$,	8.62	4.10		1.94	1.33	1.35	1.45	3.23	8.52	16.76	24.26	23.52	19.22	12.54	6.26	
	Federal	Tax Reform					(1.06)	(1.06)		(1.06)	(1.06)	(1.06)	(1.06)	(1.06)	(1.06)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
		CEP T	Charge			į	3.51	3.51		3.51	3.51	3.51	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	
		IDR	Charge	(9)			0.01	0.01		0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	
		IRP		(2)	\$		8.91	9.38		9.38	9.38	9.38	9.38	9.38	9.38	9.38	9.38	9.38	9.38	9.38	10.80	
		Customer	Charge	(4)	❖		16.75	16.75		16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	
	Projected	Usage/	Customer	$(3 = 2 \div 1)$	Mcf	;	10.81	5.40		2.40	1.66	1.68	1.81	2.76	7.28	14.32	19.79	19.18	15.67	10.80	5.39	
	rojected	PIPP	nsumption	(2)				275,670		119,481	81,722	84,636	89,266	137,455	357,000	725,235	1,066,239	1,051,571	847,061	588,042	277,520	
		PIPP	Customers	(1)			54,085	51,091	4Y 2019	49,805	49,240	50,421	49,302	49,736	49,014	50,648	53,887	54,824	54,046	54,467	51,452	
							APR 2019	MAY	TOTAL APR 2019 - MAY 2019	NOL	JUL	AUG	SEP	DCT	NOV	DEC	JAN 2020	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	

1) Projected Commodity Rate consists of PIPP Rider, Excise Tax Rider, Uncollectible Tax Rider, Regulatory Assessment Rider, Demand Side Management, Non-Temperature Balancing Service and CHOICE/SCO Reconciliation Rider.
2) Average PIPP Payment = \$39.04

16,750,835.85

TOTAL JUN 2019 - MAY 2020

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Computation of Projected Change In PIPP Balance at May 31, 2019

	Actual/ Projected Projected/	surcharge		(4)		11,022,709	9,768,191	9,387,810	9,228,759 17,796,771 0.1053	8,646,251 9,420,703 0.1053		7,006,505 4,112,061 0.1427	6,394,331 3,960,114 0.1427	5,817,357 4,178,538 0.1427		5,101,053 12,184,236 0.1427	245,914 23,200,380 0.1427	5,283,326 32,981,956 0.1427	,085,621 32,573,599 0.1427	1,211,221 26,723,647 0.1427	683,600 17,910,731 0.1427	
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Projected	Change	PIPP	Arrears		❖				1,714,949	409,492	(85,778.24)	(222,199.34)	(47,222.17)	19,138.14	311,767.18	1,493,211.90	3,454,638.60	4,742,633.77	1,449,260.28	2,938,007.60	2,027,532.17	10000
						JAN 2019	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	JAN 2020	FEB	MAR	APR	

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Projected Surcharge Volumes at May 31, 2020

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