THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSION'S REVIEW OF OHIO ADM. CODE CHAPTERS 4901:1-17 AND 4901:1-18.

CASE NO. 19-52-AU-ORD

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on August 9, 2019

- {¶ 1} R.C. 111.15(B) and R.C. 106.03(A) require all state agencies to conduct a review of their rules, every five years, to determine whether the rules should be continued without change, amended, or be rescinded.
- {¶ 2} The Commission initiated this docket to review the rules regarding the establishment of credit for and the disconnection of residential utility services and the Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) Plus program applicable to gas and natural gas utilities, as reflected in Ohio Adm.Code Chapters 4901:1-17 and 4901:1-18.
- {¶ 3} Included among the rules in Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 4901:1-18 are the requirements of the gas PIPP Plus program. The PIPP Plus program is available to both electric and gas residential utility customers. The Ohio Development Services Agency's (ODSA) PIPP Plus program rules, applicable to electric utilities, are contained in Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 122:5-3. To facilitate the efficient review of the PIPP Plus rules for the gas and the electric PIPP Plus programs, the staffs of the Commission and ODSA are coordinating their review proceedings.
- {¶ 4} By Commission Entry issued June 19, 2019, interested persons were informed of the opportunity to file comments and reply comments to the proposed changes to the rules by July 19, 2019 and August 9, 2019, respectively. Similarly, ODSA issued for comment and reply comments proposed changes to its rules in Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 122:5-3 to be due by July 19, 2019 and August 9, 2019, respectively. Comments and reply comments to the proposed rules of both agencies are to be filed in the above-noted Commission docket.

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{¶ 5} Comments were timely filed by Ohio Power Company, Duke Energy of Ohio, Inc., The Citizens Coalition, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc., jointly by Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc. and The East Ohio Gas Company dba Dominion Energy Ohio, Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy, The Dayton Power and Light Company, Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. and jointly by Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc., The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland, The Legal Aid Society of Columbus, The Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati, Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC), Ohio Poverty Law Center, Pro Seniors, Inc. and Southeastern Ohio Legal Services.

- {¶ 6} Due to an inadvertent oversight, comments submitted by The Breathing Association and jointly by Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc., Community Legal Aid Services, The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland, The Legal Aid Society of Columbus, Legal Aid Society of Southwest Ohio, LLC, Ohio Poverty Law Center, and Southeastern Ohio Legal Services to ODSA were not filed in the Commission's docket until August 8, 2019.
- {¶ 7} To afford interested persons an opportunity to file reply comments to the comments filed in the Commission's docket on August 8, 2019, the attorney examiner finds, *sua sponte*, that the time to file reply comments to the proposed rule changes in Ohio Adm.Code Chapters 4901:1-17, 4901:1-18, and 122:5-3, should be extended. Accordingly, reply comments shall be filed with the Commission in the above noted docket by August 15, 2019.

ORDER

- $\{\P 8\}$ It is, therefore,
- {¶ 9} ORDERED, That interested persons or entities wishing to file reply comments to the proposed rule changes in Ohio Adm.Code Chapters 4901:1-17, 4901:1-18, and/or 122:5-3 file the reply comments in this docket by August 15, 2019. It is, further,

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 \P 10} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon ODSA, OCC, and all other interested persons of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

/s/Greta See

By: Greta See

Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry extending time to file reply comments electronically filed by Heather A Chilcote on behalf of Greta See, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission