# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Regulation of the	)	
Purchased Gas Adjustment Clauses	)	Case No. 19-207-GA-GCR
Contained Within the Rate Schedules of	)	Case No. 19-214-GA-GCR
Eastern Natural Gas Company and Pike	)	
Natural Gas Company and Related Matters.	)	
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In The Matter Of The Uncollectible Expense	)	
Riders of Eastern Natural Gas Company and	)	Case No. 19-307-GA-UEX
Pike Natural Gas Company and Related	)	Case No. 19-314-GA-UEX
Matters	)	
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In The Matter Of The Percentage Of Income	)	
Payment Plan Riders of Eastern Natural Gas	)	Case No. 19-407-GA-PIP
Company and Pike Natural Gas Company	)	Case No. 19-414-GA-PIP
and Related Matters.	)	
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## JOINT MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE OF HEARING AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED RULING

Pursuant to Rule 4901-1-13 of the Ohio Administrative Code, Eastern Natural Gas Company and Pike Natural Gas Company (the "Movants") respectfully request a continuance of their respective hearings in these matters, both currently scheduled for August 13, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. As set forth in the accompanying Memorandum in Support, good cause exists for this Motion, which is sought on an expedited basis. Counsel for Staff has been contacted and does not object to this Motion or to it being granted on an expedited basis.

WHEREFORE, the Movants respectfully request that the hearings be continued until

September 12, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., and that testimony be required to be filed, if necessary, 16 days prior to the hearing date by Movants and seven days prior to the hearing date by any other party.

## Respectfully submitted,

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#### JOINT MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

Pursuant to an Entry dated January 30, 2019, hearings in the above-captioned matters have been scheduled for August 13, 2019. The Entry also directed both Eastern Natural Gas Company and Pike Natural Gas Company (the "Movants") to issue notice of the hearing between 15 and 30 days prior to the hearing date. The Entry directed that testimony of any witness on behalf of the Movants be filed at least 16 days prior to the GCR hearing and that direct testimony by any other party be filed at least seven days prior to the GCR hearing.

Since the issuance of Staff's reports in these matters, both Eastern Natural Gas Company and Pike Natural Gas Company have been in discussions with the Commission's Staff regarding resolution of the issues. The Movants believe that these discussions, if allowed to continue, will result in stipulations being entered into which will resolve all issues in these proceedings. More time, however, is required to complete these discussions

To provide this time, Movants are requesting that the hearings set for August 13, 2019, be continued to September 12, 2019. This continuance will not prejudice any party to the proceedings as there are no intervenors in these proceedings. Importantly, Staff does not oppose the continuance.

To support this continuance request, both Eastern Natural Gas Company and Pike Natural Gas Company will provide notice to customers as required in the January 30, 2019 Entry and in the required form. Notice is necessary because Eastern Natural Gas Company and Pike Natural Gas Company, through inadvertent oversight, failed to include a notice in their July bills to customers. To rectify that oversight and ensure customers are aware of the new hearing date, the Movants will issue notice to customers in compliance with the form of notice in the January 30,

2019 Entry. The Movants will issue the notices between 15 and 30 days of the rescheduled hearing date.

Accordingly, the Movants respectfully request that the hearings scheduled for August 13, 2019 be continued to September 12, 2019, and that testimony be allowed to be filed, if necessary, 16 days prior to the hearing date by the Movants and seven days prior to the hearing date for any other party. As noted above, Staff does not oppose this motion or its issuance on an expedited basis.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's e-filing system will electronically serve notice of the filing of this document on the parties referenced in the service list of the docket cards who have electronically subscribed to these cases. In addition, the undersigned certifies that a courtesy copy of the foregoing document is also being served upon the persons below via electronic mail this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 2019:

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