

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the :  
Regulation of the Purchased:Case No.  
Gas Adjustment Clauses :19-210-GA-GCR  
Contained Within the Rate :  
Schedules of Glenwood :  
Energy of Oxford, Inc. :

In the Matter of the :  
Regulation of the :Case No.  
Uncollectible Expense Rider:19-310-GA-UEX  
of Glenwood Energy of :  
Oxford, Inc. :

In the Matter of the :  
Percentage of Income :Case No.  
Payment Plan Rider of :19-410-GA-PIP  
Glenwood Energy of :  
Oxford, Inc. :

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Before Greta See, Attorney Examiner, held at the  
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Tuesday Morning,  
February 25, 2020.  
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ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Scheduled for  
today at this time before the Public Utilities  
Commission of Ohio are three cases.

The first Case No. 19-210-GA-GCR  
being entitled In the Matter of the Regulation  
of the Purchased Gas Adjustment Clauses  
Contained Within the Rate Schedules of Glenwood  
Energy of Oxford Incorporated.

Case No. 19-310-GA-UEx entitled In  
the Matter of the Regulation of the  
Uncollectible Expense Rider of Glenwood Energy  
of Oxford Incorporated.

And Case No. 19-410-GA-PIP being in  
the Matter of the Percentage of Income Payment  
Plan Rider of Glenwood Energy of Oxford  
Incorporated.

My name is Greta See and I have been  
appointed to preside over this case on behalf of  
the Commission. At this time I would like to  
take appearances of the parties. Let's start  
with counsel for Glenwood Energy.

MR. SETTINERI: Good morning, Your

Honor. On behalf of Glenwood Energy of Oxford,  
Inc., Mike Settineri of the law firm of Vorys,  
Sater, Seymour & Pease, 52 East Gay Street,  
Columbus, Ohio 43215.

ATTORNEY EXAMINER: And on behalf of  
the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of  
Ohio.

MR. MARGARD: Good morning, Your  
Honor. On behalf of the Staff of the Public  
Utilities Commission, Dave Yost, Ohio Attorney  
General, by John Jones, Section Chief, Public  
Utilities Section, and Assistant Attorney  
General Werner L. Margard, 30 East Broad Street,  
16th Floor, Columbus, Ohio.

ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Okay. Mr.  
Settineri, do you want to start matters off?

MR. SETTINERI: Sure, Your Honor.  
I would be glad to. At this time we would like  
to call Mr. Rich Perkins to the stand.

(WITNESS SWORN)

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RICH PERKINS  
called as a witness, being first duly sworn,  
testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

1 By Mr. Settineri:

2 Q. Good morning, Mr. Perkins. Could  
3 you please state your name and business address  
4 for the record?

5 A. Yes. Rich Perkins, with Glenwood  
6 Energy of Oxford, Inc., 5181 College Corner  
7 Pike, Oxford, Ohio 45056.

8 Q. And on whose behalf are you  
9 testifying today?

10 A. Glenwood Energy of Oxford, Inc.

11 MR. SETTINERI: Your Honor, at this  
12 time we would like to mark as Glenwood Exhibit 1  
13 a proof of publication of the newspaper notice  
14 for this proceeding.

15 And we provided a copy to the court  
16 reporter. And, Your Honor, would you like a  
17 copy as well?

18 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Yes. I do not  
19 have a copy. Thank you.

20 MR. SETTINERI: Again, Your Honor,  
21 we would like to mark this as Glenwood Exhibit  
22 1.

23 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: So marked

24 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION)

25 Q. Mr. Perkins, do you have a copy of

1 what's been marked as Glenwood Exhibit 1?

2 A. Yes, I do.

3 Q. Could you identify that for  
4 the record, please?

5 A. Yes. It's the publication notice  
6 proof of publication for our January 31st, 2020  
7 notice for this hearing.

8 Q. And did you cause that notice to be  
9 published by the company?

10 A. Yes, we did.

11 MR. SETTINERI: Thank you, Mr.  
12 Perkins. Your Honor, at this time we have  
13 nothing more for the witness. It's my  
14 understanding I believe the Staff would be  
15 presenting a witness for the stipulation.

16 MR. MARGARD: Yes.

17 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Okay. Thank you  
18 very much, Mr. Perkins. You can step down.

19 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your  
20 Honor.

21 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Mr. Margard.

22 MR. MARGARD: Thank you, Your Honor.  
23 Staff would call Mr. Tornain Matthews to the  
24 stand.

25 (WITNESS SWORN)



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TORNAIN MATTHEWS

called as a witness, being first duly sworn,  
testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

By Mr. Margard:

Q. Sir, please state your name.

A. Legal name is Tornain Matthews.

And that's spelled T-O-R-N-A-I-N.

Q. And by whom are you employed and in  
what capacity, please?

A. The Public Utilities Commission of  
Ohio as a Utility Specialist.

MR. MARGARD: Thank you. Your  
Honor, will the record please reflect that I  
have placed before the witness, the Bench and  
the court reporter a series of documents.

The first being the Financial Audit  
of the Gas Cost Recovery Mechanisms for  
the Period January 1, 2017 through December 31,  
2018 for Glenwood Energy of Oxford, Inc. filed  
in the docket on November 22, 2019 marked for  
purposes of identification as Commission Ordered  
Exhibit 1.

Also, Your Honor, the Audit of the  
Uncollectible Expense Mechanisms for the Periods

1 January 2017 through December 2018 in Case No.  
2 19-310-GA-UEx filed in the docket on November  
3 22, 2019 and marked for purposes of  
4 identification as Commission Ordered Exhibit 2.

5 The Audit of the Percentage of  
6 Income Payment Plan Mechanisms for the Period  
7 January 2017 through December 2018 filed in the  
8 docket of Case No. 19-410-GA-PIP for Glenwood  
9 Energy of Oxford, Inc. on November 22, 2019 and  
10 marked for purposes of identification as  
11 Commission Ordered Exhibit 3.

12 Finally, Your Honor, the Joint  
13 Exhibit No. 1, the Stipulation and  
14 Recommendation filed in this matter.

15 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Okay. The  
16 exhibits are so marked for identification.

17 (EXHIBITS MARKED FOR PURPOSE OF  
18 IDENTIFICATION)

19 Q. Mr. Matthews, do you have those  
20 documents before you?

21 A. Yes, I do.

22 Q. Can we turn your attention first, if  
23 I can please, to the Commission Ordered Exhibits  
24 No. 1, 2 and 3?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Did you have some involvement in the  
2 preparation of these documents?

3 A. Yes, I did.

4 Q. And what was that involvement, sir?

5 A. I conducted the GCR audit and  
6 prepared the Staff Report, and was part of  
7 the team that reviewed the UEX and the PIP Staff  
8 Reports.

9 Q. Have you reviewed these documents  
10 prior to taking the stand today?

11 A. Yes, I have.

12 Q. And do you have any changes or  
13 corrections of any kind to the documents?

14 A. No, sir.

15 Q. And do these accurately reflect the  
16 Staff's findings with respect to these audits?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Do you have also before you what has  
19 been marked as Joint Exhibit No. 1?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And what is that document, please?

22 A. This is the Stipulation and  
23 Recommendation for the GCR and UEX and PIP.

24 Q. And is my understanding correct that  
25 this Stipulation and Recommendation accepts all

1 of the findings and recommendations made by the  
2 Commission's Staff in the audits identified as  
3 Commission Ordered Exhibits 1, 2 and 3?

4 A. Yes, sir.

5 Q. And were you involved in the  
6 discussions and negotiations that resulted in  
7 Joint Exhibit No. 1?

8 A. Yes, sir.

9 Q. And based on your knowledge and  
10 experience was this agreement entered into by  
11 capable and knowledgeable parties?

12 A. Yes, sir, it was.

13 Q. Sir, are there benefits to the  
14 public interest or to consumers in entering into  
15 this agreement?

16 A. Yes, there are benefits. Staff  
17 conducts these audits to verify that the costs  
18 that the utility incurs to provide natural gas  
19 service to the customers is accurate. And also  
20 to verify that those costs are accurately  
21 included in customer's rates.

22 During the course of this audit  
23 Staff noticed some differences as they relate to  
24 the UEX, PIP and the GCR, and Staff made  
25 adjustments based on those differences. And

1 those adjustments are highlighted in the  
2 stipulation.

3 Q. There are also recommendations as to  
4 business practices and so forth for future  
5 proceedings?

6 A. Yes, sir.

7 Q. So in your opinion these  
8 resolutions, these recommendations, not only  
9 resolve the issues in this matter, but  
10 presumably pave the way for cleaner audits in  
11 the future?

12 A. Yes, sir. I believe so.

13 Q. In your opinion, sir, does this  
14 agreement violate any regulatory practices or  
15 principles?

16 A. No, sir, not that I am aware of.

17 Q. And is it your recommendation that  
18 the Commission accept this Stipulation and  
19 Recommendation without modification?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. Which you believe to be reasonable;  
22 is that correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 MR. MARGARD: Thank you. Your  
25 Honor, I have nothing further and we move

1 admission of Joint Exhibit No. 1 and Commission  
2 Ordered Exhibits 1, 2 and 3.

3 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Any  
4 cross-examination of this witness, Mr.  
5 Settineri?

6 MR. SETTINERI: No, Your Honor.  
7 And we thank Staff for its testimony today.

8 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: The Bench has  
9 not questions for the witness. You may step  
10 down.

11 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

12 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: At this point  
13 are there any objections to the admission of  
14 Glenwood Exhibit 1?

15 MR. MARGARD: No.

16 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Commissioned  
17 Ordered Exhibits 1 through 3, or Joint Exhibit  
18 1?

19 MR. MARGARD: I have no objections  
20 to the Glenwood exhibit, Your Honor.

21 MR. SETTINERI: No, Your Honor.  
22 Thank you.

23 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: With that Joint  
24 Exhibit 1, Commission Ordered Exhibits 1 through  
25 3, and Glenwood Exhibit 1 are admitted into the

1 record.

2 (EXHIBITS HEREBY ADMITTED INTO  
3 EVIDENCE)

4 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Is there  
5 anything further, gentlemen?

6 MR. SETTINERI: No, Your Honor.  
7 I would just note for the record that there are  
8 no members of the public present today.

9 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Good catch.  
10 Are there any members of the public present that  
11 wish to make a statement?

12 Let the record reflect that there  
13 are none. And there were none at the original  
14 hearing called in January.

15 With that this matter is adjourned.  
16 Thank you all.

17 (At 10:10 A.M. the hearing was  
18 concluded)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing  
is a true and correct transcript of the  
proceedings taken by me in this matter on  
February 25, 2020, and carefully compared with  
my original stenographic notes.

Michael O. Spencer  
Michael O. Spencer,  
Registered Professional  
Reporter.

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