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### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Annual Application ) of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for an Ad- ) justment to Rider IRP and Rider DSM ) Rates. )

Case No. 19-1940-GA-RDR

# PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF SCOTT PIGG ON BEHALF OF COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.

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1	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
2	A.	Scott Pigg, 431 Charmany Drive, Madison, WI, 53719.
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4	Q.	By whom are you employed?
5	A.	I am employed by Slipstream Inc. and perform evaluation services for Co-
6		lumbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. ("Columbia").
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8	Q.	Will you please state briefly your educational background and experi-
9		ence?
10	A.	I received a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Engineering from the Univer-
11		sity of Wisconsin – Madison in 1980, and master's degrees in Agricultural
12		Engineering and Land Resources (with a certificate in Energy Analysis and
13		Policy) from the same institution in 1988. I have been performing research
14		on energy efficiency technologies and conducting energy efficiency pro-
15		gram evaluation since 1987. I was a senior energy analyst at Wisconsin En-
16		ergy Conservation Corporation from 1987 to 1995. I have since been em-
17		ployed at Slipstream, where I currently hold the title of Principal Re-
18		searcher. I have published many technical reports and papers over the
19		years, and have performed many impact evaluations of energy efficiency
20		programs.
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22	Q.	What is your role as evaluation consultant to Columbia?
23	A.	My role is to provide Columbia with demand side management ("DSM")
24		program design, research, analysis and evaluation support. This includes
25		completing impact evaluations for Columbia's DSM programs. I am also
26		responsible for reviewing and verifying the mechanism that Columbia de-
27		veloped to track and calculate Columbia's Shared Savings Incentive.
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29	Q.	Have you previously testified before this Commission?
30	A.	Yes. I provided written testimony in Case Nos. 14-2078-GA-RDR, 15-1918-
31		GA-RDR, 16-2236-GA-RDR, 17-2374-GA-RDR, and 18-1701-GA-RDR.
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33	Q.	What is the purpose of your testimony?
34	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to provide background and support of the
35		Shared Savings Incentive reported in schedule DSM-5, Shared Savings In-
36		centive, filed by Columbia in this proceeding on February 28, 2020, and to

- support the reasonableness of Columbia's request for shared savings in
   Rider DSM rates.
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## Q. Did Columbia earn shared savings from its DSM programs?

A. Yes. Columbia exceeded 125% of the annual natural gas savings target,
making it eligible to earn 10% of the net benefit of the value of the natural
gas savings as described in shared savings mechanism.

### 9 Q. Please describe the process used to track and verify shared savings.

Columbia developed a mechanism to track and calculate its shared savings 10 A. 11 incentive as approved in Case Nos. 11-5028-GA-UNC, et al., as continued 12 and modified in Case Nos. 16-1309-GA-UNC, et al. The mechanism gathers 13 and tracks data for energy conservation measures installed through each 14 DSM program. Columbia used this data to calculate the projected natural 15 gas savings using the formulas identified in the State of Ohio Energy Efficiency Technical Reference Manual ("TRM"), with the exceptions of the 16 17 WarmChoice<sup>®</sup> program where historic billing analysis was used, the Home 18 Energy Reports program where guaranteed contract savings with adjust-19 ments for measured actual savings were used, and Simple Energy Solutions 20 program where smart thermostats are included as modeled using the meth-21 odology from Case No. 16-1309-GA-UNC, et al. Projected natural gas sav-22 ings for the Innovative Energy Solutions program and Small Commercial 23 Construction program are calculated using an energy audit or building 24 modeling software. Using the energy conservation measures' lifetimes 25 identified in the TRM, Columbia calculated the projected lifetime natural 26 gas savings and the value of the natural gas savings for all of its DSM pro-27 grams. Columbia's shared savings were computed by taking the difference 28 between the net present value of the DSM program lifetime energy savings 29 and the value of the DSM program costs calculated from the Utility Cost 30 Test.

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I reviewed the mechanism developed by Columbia and verified that the projected natural gas savings estimates based on the TRM were calculated correctly and are accurate. I have reviewed the calculations used in billing analysis for WarmChoice<sup>®</sup>, Home Energy Reports, and Simple Energy Solutions savings for each program year. I have also reviewed the calculation that was used to develop the net present value of the lifetime natural gas savings that were used to determine the shared savings incentive as filed in

- Schedule DSM-5 and verified these were calculated correctly and are accu rate.
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# 4 Q. Does this complete your Prepared Direct Testimony?

5 A. Yes. However, I reserve my right to supplement this testimony.

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