THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT OF RUSSELLA AND DAVID STEEHLER,

COMPLAINANTS,

v.

CASE NO. 20-779-GA-CSS

VECTREN ENERGY DELIVERY OF OHIO, INC.,

RESPONDENT.

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on July 29, 2020

I. SUMMARY

 $\{\P 1\}$ The Commission grants the parties' joint motion to dismiss this case with prejudice, as the matter has been settled, resolving all issues in the complaint.

II. DISCUSSION

- {¶ 2} Pursuant to R.C. 4905.26, the Commission has authority to consider written complaints filed against a public utility by any person or corporation regarding any rate, service, regulation, or practice relating to any service furnished by the public utility that is in any respect unjust, unreasonable, insufficient, or unjustly discriminatory.
- $\{\P\ 3\}$ Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc. (VEDO) is a natural gas company as defined in R.C. 4905.03 and a public utility as defined in R.C. 4905.02 and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- {¶ 4} On April 13, 2020, Russella and David Steehler (Complainants) filed a complaint against VEDO, alleging, among other things, that the installation of a new gas pipeline broke drainage tiles on Complainants' property, resulting in flooding that further damaged Complainants' property.

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{¶ 5} On May 4, 2020, VEDO filed its answer in which it admits some and denies others of the allegations of the complaint and asserts several affirmative defenses.

- $\{\P 6\}$ A settlement teleconference was held on June 10, 2020.
- $\{\P 7\}$ On July 6, 2020, the parties filed a joint motion to dismiss this proceeding, with prejudice, as a settled case. The motion indicates that the matter has been settled, and that the parties have executed a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the complaint.
- $\{\P\ 8\}$ The Commission finds that the parties' joint motion to dismiss the complaint is reasonable and should be granted.

III. ORDER

- $\{\P 9\}$ It is, therefore,
- $\{\P$ 10 $\}$ ORDERED, That the parties' joint motion to dismiss the complaint with prejudice be granted, and that Case No. 20-779-GA-CSS be dismissed and closed of record. It is, further,
 - **{¶ 11}** ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record.

COMMISSIONERS:

Approving:

Sam Randazzo, Chairman M. Beth Trombold Lawrence K. Friedeman Daniel R. Conway Dennis P. Deters

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