

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Investigation of Vectren)
Energy Delivery of Ohio Relative to its) Case No. 04-1543-GA-GPS
Compliance with the Natural Gas Pipeline)
Safety Standards and Related Matters.)

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) By entry of October 27, 2004, the Commission initiated this proceeding and directed its staff to investigate the compliance by Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio (Vectren) with the gas pipeline safety rules set forth in Chapter 4901:1-16, Ohio Administrative Code, relative to two incidents involving the rupture of a gas pipeline, the subsequent escape of gas, and resulting fire. Staff was also directed to file within 90 days of the October 27, 2004 entry a gas pipeline safety investigative report of the incidents.
- (2) By entry of January 27, 2005, staff was granted an extension of time until February 27, 2005, to file the investigative report.
- (3) On February 28, 2005, staff requested a 30-day extension of time to file its investigative report. Staff indicated that it has been engaged in discussions with Vectren regarding a possible settlement and can represent that the parties are on the verge of finalizing a settlement agreement. Staff states that additional time would permit the parties more than ample opportunity to memorialize and file their agreement and would not jeopardize the safety of customers or citizens. Staff also indicated that Vectren does not oppose the extension request.
- (4) Upon review of the motion, the attorney examiner finds good cause to grant the requested extension. Accordingly, the staff should file its report of investigation in this case by March 31, 2005.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That staff's motion for an extension of time until March 31, 2005, to file the investigative report in this matter be granted. It is, further,

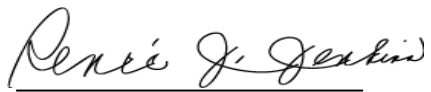
ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all other interested persons of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

By: Scott Farkas
Attorney Examiner

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Renee J. Jenkins
Secretary

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