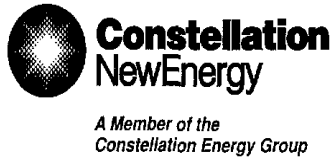


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Re: Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Stipulation
Case No. 03-1459-GA-ATA, et al.

Dear Commissioners:

Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. (NewEnergy) is an active gas marketer on the Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. (COH) system and writes to support the Stipulation filed by COH with the Commission. NewEnergy has for a number of years served commercial and industrial customers on the COH system. As a supplier, NewEnergy is vitally concerned about the tariffs and services available for transporters on the COH system. The proposed COH Stipulation will dramatically enhance the transportation of natural gas on the COH system and should be supported by the Commission.

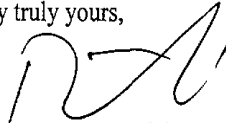
The new provisions for trading imbalances allow a much more dynamic transportation market on the COH system. The intra day trading of imbalances provided for in the Stipulation is helpful, but especially important is the monthly trading of imbalances that will allow gas marketers to more actively trade on the COH system with the assurance that active trading partners will be available once the data on any imbalances is received. This new flexibility in the transportation system is a great encouragement to all participants and should be supported by the Commission.

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NewEnergy believes the continuation of the OFO/OMO settlement, which resolved the questions of when it was appropriate for COH to call OFO's with the input of many active stakeholders, is a critical element of the transportation program on COH. For NewEnergy, the certainty in dealing with OFO issues that are included in the COH Stipulation until 2010 creates the kind of stable, competitive marketplace that NewEnergy can commit active resources to support. With more than 70% of the through put on COH already transportation gas and the expansion of governmental aggregation programs expected during the next few years, programs that enhance the effectiveness of the COH transportation programs are critical. This Stipulation accomplishes those goals and should be approved by the Commission.

If you have any questions concerning the interests and concerns of NewEnergy, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. J. Korandovich', written over a horizontal line.

Robert J. Korandovich
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cc: PUCO Docketing Division