## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application	)	
of Ohio Cumberland Gas Company	)	Case No. 88-1970-GA-ATA
for Approval of a Gas Transportation	)	Case No. 97-1660-GA-ATA
Tariff.	)	Case No. 99-72-GA-ATA

## FINDING AND ORDER

## The Commission finds:

- (1) Ohio Cumberland Gas Company (Ohio Cumberland) is a public utility as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On May 26, 1999, Ohio Cumberland filed an application to establish Original Sheet Nos. 5-1 through 5-10 of its Tariffs to implement a Natural Gas Transportation Tariff. Ohio Cumberland currently provides gas transportation services pursuant to arrangements approved under Section 4905.31, Revised Code.
- (3) In addition, Ohio Cumberland has filed for approval of revised tariff Sheet Nos. 1-1 through 4-1 for gas distribution service. These tariff revisions represent an elimination of outdated references resulting in a tariff of better logic and clarity.
- (4) Ohio Cumberland's proposed tariffs contain rates, terms and conditions for gas transportation services consistent with the Gas Transportation Guidelines issued by Commission Entry in Case No. 85-800-GA-COI, and amended by Entry dated November 2, 1995.
- (5) With this amended Application, Ohio Cumberland withdraws the original Application for approval of transportation tariffs in Case Nos. 88-1970-GA-ATA and 97-1660-GA-ATA.
- (6) After a thorough review of the application, the staff agrees with the proposal and, therefore, has recommended its approval to the Commission.
- (7) The Application has been filed pursuant to Section 4909.18, Revised Code, and the Commission finds, as the Applicant alleges, that it is not for an increase in any rate, joint rate, toll, classification, charge, or rental and does not appear to be unjust

or unreasonable and should be approved. Therefore, the Commission finds that it is unnecessary to hold a hearing in this matter.

(8) Although the Commission is approving this tariff, the Commission encourages, and expects, Ohio Cumberland to continue periodic upgrading of its transportation tariffs in an effort to include a potentially wider base of customers.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the proposed amended tariffs filed by Ohio Cumberland are approved. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Ohio Cumberland is authorized to file in final form four complete printed copies of its revised tariffs consistent with the findings of this Finding and Order, and to cancel and withdraw its superseded tariffs. One copy shall be filed in this case docket, one copy shall be filed with the Applicant's TRF docket and the remaining two copies shall be designated for distribution to the Commission Staff. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the effective date of the proposed tariffs shall be a date not earlier than both the date of this Finding and Order and the date upon which four complete, printed copies of final tariffs are filed with the Commission. The new tariffs shall be effective for services rendered on or after such effective date. It is further,

ORDERED, That Ohio Cumberland shall commence notification of all customers affected by the tariff changes pursuant to Rule 4901:1-1-03, Ohio Administrative Code, within 90 days of the effective date of the final tariffs. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Case Nos. 88-1970-GA-ATA and 97-1660-GA-ATA be closed of record. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Finding and Order shall be binding upon this Commission in any future proceeding or investigation involving the justness or reasonableness of any rate, charge, rule or regulation of Ohio Cumberland Gas Company. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Order be served on Ohio Cumberland Gas Company.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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