

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for an Increase in its Natural Gas Distribution Rates.)	Case No. 12-1685-GA-AIR
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In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for Tariff Approval.)	Case No. 12-1686-GA-ATA
)	
In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Approval of an Alternative Rate Plan for Gas Distribution Service.)	Case No. 12-1687-GA-ALT
)	
In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for Approval to Change Accounting Methods.)	Case No. 12-1688-GA-AAM
)	

**DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC.'S
STATEMENT AS TO RELEVANT OBJECTIONS AND WITNESSES**

Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., (Duke Energy Ohio) submitted an application in these proceedings to increase rates, for tariff approval, for approval of an alternative rate plan and for approval to change accounting methods on July 9, 2012. On April 2, 2013, many of the Parties in these proceedings submitted a Stipulation and Recommendation (Stipulation) to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission) that resolves most of the matters pertinent to the Company's application, with the exception of matters pertaining to the Company's recovery of costs for environmental remediation of former manufactured gas plant (MGP) sites.

In an Entry issued on April 4, 2013, the Attorney Examiner directed the Parties to submit a statement that identifies which objections filed earlier in these proceedings, pertain to the issues that are not part of the Stipulation and will be litigated. The Parties were further directed

to file a statement as to whether that Party's witnesses will appear at the evidentiary hearing, and if so, the portions of the witnesses' testimony that will be litigated at the hearing.

In response to the Attorney Examiner's Entry, Duke Energy Ohio submits the following information.

Duke Energy Ohio's Objection No. 6 is related to the appropriate amount of recovery from customers for the Company's environmental remediation of sites of former manufactured gas plants. Additionally, to the extent such recovery impacts the total revenue requirement, the Company continues to maintain its objection No. 1 with respect to that issue.

The testimony that remains relevant for this MGP portion of the proceedings includes the following:

Dr. Andrew Middleton, Direct, Supplemental (**All pages**)

Kevin D. Margolis, Direct (**All pages**)

Jessica L. Bednarcik, Direct, Supplemental (**All pages**)

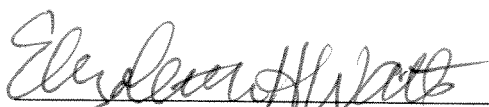
Shawn S. Fiore, Direct (**All Pages**)

Gary J. Hebbeler, Second Supplemental (**All Pages**)

William Don Wathen, Jr., Direct, Supplemental, Second Supplemental, Third Supplemental as follows:

- Direct Testimony – Page 2. Line 18 and Page 15. Line 18 through page 16. Line 11.
- Supplemental Direct Testimony – Page 2. Line 2 through Line 4.
- Second Supplemental Testimony - All.
- Third Supplemental Testimony – All.

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