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January 4, 2018

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| In the Matter of the Application of Duke | ) |                         |
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| Energy Ohio, Inc. for Approval to        | ) | Case No. 17-0648-GA-ATA |
| Amend its Gas Service Regulations.       | ) |                         |
| In the Matter of the Application of Duke | ) |                         |
| Energy Ohio, Inc.'s Commission           | ) | Case No. 89-8002-GA-TRF |
| Approved Final Tariffs.                  | ) |                         |

Dear Ms. McNeal,

Enclosed for purposes of updating the Duke Energy Ohio gas tariff is Sheet 22.7, as approved in Case No. 17-648-GA-ATA, to become effective January 4, 2018.

Sincerely,

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#### **SECTION III - CUSTOMER'S AND COMPANY'S INSTALLATIONS**

### 1. Nature and Use of Installation

All piping and equipment furnished by the customer on the customer's side of the point of delivery, on the premises or connecting the premises with the Company's meter, shall be suitable for the purposes thereof, and shall be installed, maintained, repaired and replaced by the customer at all times in conformity with the safety requirements of the accredited agency having jurisdiction and with the rules and regulations of the Company.

The piping and fittings for the distribution of gas after it has passed the meter, may be installed by any competent gas fitter employed by the customer or proprietor of the premises, subject, however, to the inspection, test and approval of the accredited agency having jurisdiction. The Company shall comply with Rule 4901:1-13-05 of the Ohio Administrative Code with respect to testing gas piping downstream of the meter.

An application for inspection and test must be made to the accredited agency having jurisdiction when the piping work has been completed.

All piping shall be installed in accordance with applicable building codes and the rules and regulations of the Company.

#### 2. Installation of Meters

Gas will be measured by a meter or meters to be installed by the Company upon the customer's premises at an agreed upon point convenient for the Company's service. Meters for new single-family residences are to be located outside the residence.

### 3. Installation, Repair and Replacement of Lines

Except as otherwise provided in these GAS SERVICE REGULATIONS, in service agreements or rate schedules, the Company will install up to 250 feet of curb-to-meter service and maintain the entire curb-to-meter service and equipment, including risers, meters and service regulators on its side of the point of delivery (outlet side of the meter), without cost to the customer. The customer will be charged the actual cost for the initial installation for any length over the 250 feet, but the Company will maintain the entire curb-to-meter service and equipment, including risers, meters and service regulators on its side of the point of delivery (outlet of the meter), without cost to the customer. Only the Company's agents are authorized to connect the Company's service to the customer's service.

At a residential customer's request, the Company will install an excess flow valve on a service line that, as of February 12, 2010, is not new or entirely replaced and located at a single family residence.

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At the customer's request, the Company will install an excess flow valve on a service line that, as of April 14, 2017, is not new or entirely replaced and located at any one of the following:

- Branched service lines to a single family residence installed concurrently with the primary single family residence service line;
- b. Branched service line to a single family residence installed off a previously installed single family residence service line that does not contain an excess flow valve;
- Multi-family installation, including but not limited to duplexes, triplexes, and other small multifamily buildings with known customer loads at time of service installation up to, but not exceeding, 1,000 SCFH per service; and
- d. Single, small commercial customer served by a single service line with a known customer load at time of service installation of up to, but not exceeding, 1,000 SCFH per service.

Any residential customer or customer requesting installation of an excess flow valve shall be solely responsible for the actual costs of the installation and is required to pay a deposit of fifty percent of the estimated cost of installation of an excess flow valve prior to the commencement of the installation. The balance of the actual cost of installation must be paid by the residential customer or customer upon completion of all work related to the installation.

The Company and Customer shall mutually agree upon the timing of the installation of an excess flow valve as described herein, taking into consideration any necessary permitting that may be required by local authorities.

Company is not required to install an excess flow valve is one or more of the following conditions is present:

- a. The service line does not operate at a pressure of 10 psig or greater throughout the year;
- b. Company has prior experience with contaminants in the gas stream that could interfere with the excess flow valve's operation or cause loss of service to a customer;
- c. The excess flow valve could interfere with necessary maintenance and operation activities; or,
- d. An excess flow valve meeting applicable performance standards is not commercially available.

All meters and equipment furnished by and at the expense of the Company, which may at any time be on said premises, shall, unless otherwise expressly provided herein, be and remain the property of the Company, and the customer shall protect such property from loss or damage. No one except an agent of the Company shall be permitted to remove or handle same.

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# SECTION III - CUSTOMER'S AND COMPANY'S INSTALLATIONS (Contd.)

# 3. Installation, Repair and Replacement of Lines (cont'd)

The point of delivery will be located at the outlet side of the meter. For all applicants for new gas service or for existing customers the portion of the gas service pipe extending to the outlet of the meter connection will be installed by the Company at its prevailing prices. The service piping and equipment from the Company's gas main to the outlet of the meter connection shall be installed, maintained, repaired and replaced at the expense of the Company regardless of whether it was originally installed at the Company's expense. The service pipe will end at the outlet of the meter connection. If it should be necessary to extend the service pipe beyond the point of entry, such extension shall be encased.

Only one gas service will be installed into any individual dwelling, building or building units, unless the units are sectionalized by acceptable fire separation in accordance with applicable fire safety codes and the Company's engineering standards, regardless of the number of customers to be served therein.

The customer's gas service line shall be as short as practicable, but not limited to a specific length. The proposed size, length, and direction of the gas service pipe and proposed meter location shall be subject to the Company's approval.

No connection or work of any kind shall be done on a gas main or the Company's piping by anyone who is not an authorized representative of the Company, except that the customer's agent may, at the Company's option, be designated as an authorized representative of the Company upon request.

When repairs on, or replacement of, the service piping or equipment, including the meter, is required such work will be done at the Company's expense. When relocation of service piping or equipment, including the meter, is required by the customer, such work shall be done by the Company and the Company's actual cost to perform such relocation shall be borne by the customer.

The cost of the inspections and test of the customer's piping installed by the customer or the customer's agent will be borne by the customer.

### 4. Change in Installations

As the Company's facilities used in supplying service to the customer have a limited capacity, the customer must give reasonable advance notice to the Company and obtain the Company's consent before making any material changes or increases in the customer's installation. After receipt of such notice, the Company will give its written approval of the proposed change or increase, or it will inform the customer of the prerequisites to receipt of service for such change or increase.

The customer shall be solely responsible for all damages sustained by the Company or any person due to the customer's failure to give reasonable advance notice to the Company of such changes in the customer's installation.

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