

July 8, 2021

Ms. Tanowa Troupe, Secretary Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: PUCO Case Nos. 21-180-GA-RDR, *et al.* / In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Approval to Modify Rider FBS, Rider EFBS and Rate IMBS

Dear Ms. Troupe:

As noted in the Company's correspondence of April 15, 2021, Duke Energy Ohio is aware that the proceeding at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), pursuant to which the Columbia Gas Transmission (TCO) rates for storage and related transportation are being adjusted, is still in process and, now, that a partial settlement has been filed.

TCO had proposed to change its tariff to include confiscation of gas if storage balances are above the specified inventory levels as of February 1, April 1, June 30, and August 31 each year. Correspondingly, Duke Energy Ohio proposed, in this proceeding, to revise Rider EFBS to include similar new confiscation provisions, to remain consistent with how storage must be managed in accordance with pipeline tariffs to provide EFBS.

As a part of the recently filed partial settlement, TCO has agreed to withdraw its tariff changes around the new gas confiscation provisions for their storage service. It agreed to file to implement those changes to its tariff within 15 days of the FERC order accepting this partial settlement.

Assuming TCO does withdraw those confiscation provisions, Duke Energy Ohio would similarly revise its tariffs to eliminate the new confiscation provisions, within 15 days of its receiving notice of that TCO change. Therefore, Duke Energy Ohio respectfully requests that the Commission consider granting approval for such a change in its order in this proceeding.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/Jeanne W. Kingery
Jeanne W. Kingery
Associate General Counsel