## **BEFORE** THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISION OF OHIO

In the matter of the Investigation of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Relative to its Compliance with Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Standards and Related Matters.

POLICE PH 4:44 Case No. 06-1205-GA

## MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio respectfully requests a continuance in this case. By entry dated October 11, 2006, the Staff was directed to file an investigative report within 90 days, and the company was directed to file a written response 30 days thereafter. The Staff requests that it be given a 30 day extension in which to file its investigative report.

Staff and the company have been engaged in ongoing discussions, both regarding the specific incidents at issue and concerning a possible settlement. The parties agree that additional time would permit a more thorough investigation, and facilitate the prospects for settlement. Staff believes that an extension would not jeopardize the safety of customers or citizens. The company does not object to a 30 day extension.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests that it be granted an additional 30 days in which to file its investigative report in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Motion for Extension of Time submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, was served by regular U.S. mail, postage prepaid and sent by facsimile transmission upon the following parties of record, this 8th day of January, 2007.

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