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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Complaint and Appeal)
of Oxford Natural Gas Company from)
Ordinance No. 2896 Passed by the Council)
of the City of Oxford on February 7, 2006)

Case No. 06-350-GA-CMR

**TESTIMONY OF DARRYLE PERRINO
ON BEHALF OF
OXFORD NATURAL GAS COMPANY**

1 **Q1. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A1. Darryle Perrino, 5181 College Corner Pike, Oxford, Ohio 45056.

3 **Q2. Please describe your current position.**

4 A2. I am the field supervisor for Oxford Natural Gas Company (hereinafter "ONG" or the
5 "Company"). I have been with ONG for 15 years, the last two in my current position.

6 Prior to that, I was a field tech employee.

7 **Q3. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

8 A3. I am testifying to provide support for certain objections to the Staff Report in this case.

9 Specifically, I am going to address the productivity differences between a private
10 construction crew and an ONG crew, the present and past locations of the structures used
11 by ONG as its headquarters, and ONG's current and past use of private contractors to
12 install mains.

13 **Q4. What do you mean by the productivity difference between a private construction
14 crew and an ONG crew?**

15 A4. When an ONG construction crew is installing mains, we are all subject to being called
16 away for a variety of reasons such as leak calls, work orders to turn off or to turn on
17 service at various accounts, and line locations. This can happen throughout the day and

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1 any day. Because we like any other utility crew are subject to being on call for other
2 duties, a private contractor can typically install mains twice as fast on a linear foot basis
3 than an ONG construction crew. For example, if we install 100 linear feet of pipe in a
4 day, a private contractor using the same size crew would install 200 to 300 linear feet of
5 pipe. Also, private contractor crews are not pulled off jobs like our crews, and only stop
6 working because of bad weather.

7 **Q5. Where is the current location of ONG's principal place of business or**
8 **headquarters?**

9 A5. The headquarters of ONG is currently located at 5181 College Corner Pike, Oxford Ohio
10 where we operate out of a one-story building connected to a two-story building. We
11 have been at this current location since the late eighties. Before that, we were located at
12 107 E. Church Street, Oxford Ohio and before that I believe we were located at 48 East
13 Park Place, Oxford Ohio. Harold Ramsey, a former supervisor with ONG, who is now
14 retired, verified these locations for me.

15 **Q6. What is the practice of ONG in determining when to use private construction crews**
16 **on various installation projects?**

17 A6. Because we typically install plastic mains now, I believe I told the representative from
18 Burgess & Niple that we do all our own construction work. I did not mean to leave that
19 impression. ONG almost always used private contractors when installing steel mains
20 because it is necessary to have a welder and a welder's helper with such a project. We
21 simply don't have the resources to install steel mains on our own. Also, ONG still uses
22 private contractors to install mains. In fact, on the Highway 27 project that is just near
23 our headquarters, ONG has hired a private contractor to replace existing 2 inch and 4 inch

1 steel mains with a 6 inch plastic main. The decision to use a private contractor depends
2 on the availability of an ONG crew, the size, material and length of the main, and the
3 equipment required. We do not have all the equipment to install larger mains so if ONG
4 installs a large main, we will rent the equipment, typically an excavator with a larger
5 style backhoe.

6 **Q7. Does this conclude your testimony?**

7 **A7. Yes, it does.**


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