BEFORE

THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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In the Matter of the Application of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction of the Southwest Delaware County Supply Line Project.

Case No. 06-141-GA-BTX

ENTRY

The administrative law judge finds:

- (1) On October 6, 2006, as modified on December 1, 2006, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. (Columbia) filed an application for a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need for a natural gas pipeline and an associated regulator station in Delaware County. The proposed pipeline will be constructed from Columbia's existing Northern Loop Pipeline located at the intersection of Home Road and Liberty Road to the project's completion at Pittsburgh Drive in Delaware, Ohio.
- (2) On December 5, 2006, the Board notified Columbia that its application for the project had been certified as complete. On December 21, 2006, Columbia filed a certificate of service of its application, pursuant to Rule 4906-5-07, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.).
- (3) On May 29, 2007, Columbia filed an application for amendment of the accepted, complete certificate application. In its amendment application, Columbia requested an adjustment to allow two changes to the project: (1) that the centerline on the parcel located in the southeast corner of the South Section Line Road and Airport Road intersection be adjusted; and (2) that the diameter of the pipeline be increased from 16 inches to 20 inches. Columbia indicated that the affected landowner had previously made plans to build a facility on a portion of property crossed by the preferred route and that the parties have subsequently reached an agreement to modify the preferred route which necessitates an adjustment of the centerline of the route. With respect to the requested change in pipe diameter, Columbia indicated that there is substantial delay in orders for 16-inch pipe and that 20-inch pipe is readily available. Columbia claims that the increase in pipeline

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- (4) In an investigative report filed May 31, 2007, the Board's staff stated that it had reviewed Columbia's proposed amendments to the project and had determined that they are reasonable and, with appropriate care taken during construction, will minimize potential adverse environmental impacts. The staff recommended that two additional conditions become part of any certificate issued for the proposed facility.
- (5) In accordance with Rule 4906-5-10(B)(1)(b), O.A.C., Columbia shall serve a copy of the amendment application upon such persons and parties as set forth in Rule 4906-5-10(B)(2)(a), O.A.C., to the extent not already done so. Columbia shall also give public notice in newspapers of general circulation in the area involved with the amendment within 15 days of this entry, as required by Section 4906.06(C) and (E), Revised Code. The notice shall read as follows:

NOTICE

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. has filed an application with the Ohio Power Siting Board in Case No. 06-141-GA-BTX seeking to amend an application for a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need issued for a natural gas pipeline and an associated regulator station in Delaware County, Ohio. The proposed pipeline will be constructed from Columbia's existing Northern Loop Pipeline located at the intersection of Home Road and Liberty Road to the project's completion at Pittsburgh Drive in Delaware. The purpose of the requested amendment is to allow two changes to the project: (1) an adjustment of the centerline on the parcel located in the southeast corner of the South Section Line Road and Airport Road intersection; and (2) an increase in the diameter of the pipeline from 16 inches to 20 inches. More information may be obtained by contacting the offices of the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 or by

reviewing a copy of the amendment application at the main library in your area. Interested persons wishing to file objections to the proposed changes may do so by filing written objections to the Ohio Power Siting Board within 10 days of this notice.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That Columbia serve copies of the amendment application and give public notice in accordance with Finding 5. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all interested persons of record.

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By:

Administrative Law Judge

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