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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of: :
: Case No. 07-11~~8~~-GA-FOR
The Long Term Forecast :
Report of Duke Energy Ohio:
and Related Matters :

In the Matter of: :
: Case No. 07-21~~8~~-GA-GCR
The Purchased Gas :
Adjustment Clauses :
Contained within the Rate :
Schedules of Duke Energy :
Ohio and Related Matters, :

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PROCEEDINGS

before Mr. Scott E. Farkas, Hearing Examiner, at the
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad
Street, Room 11-F, Columbus, Ohio, called at 10:00
a.m. on Tuesday, December 11, 2007.

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On behalf of the Staff of the Public
Utilities Commission of Ohio.

1 Tuesday Morning Session,
2 December 11, 2007.

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4 THE ATTORNEY EXAMINER: The Commission
5 has called for hearing at this time and place The
6 Matter of the Long Term Forecast Report of Duke
7 Energy Ohio and Related Matters, Case No.
8 07-118-GA-FOR, and The Matter of The Purchased Gas
9 Adjustment Clauses Contained within the Rate
10 Schedules of Duke Energy Ohio and Related Matters,
11 Case No. 07-217-GA-GCR.

12 My name is Scott Farkas. I'm the
13 attorney-examiner assigned to these cases. We will
14 take appearances at this time.

15 For the company.

16 MR. DORTCH: Thank you. Michael Dortch,
17 Kravitz, Brown & Dortch, 65 East State Street, Suite
18 200, Columbus, Ohio, 43215 on behalf of Duke Energy
19 Ohio.

20 THE ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Okay. Staff.

21 MR. MARGARD: Thank you. On behalf of
22 the staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,
23 Marc Dann, Attorney General, Duane W. Luckey, section
24 chief, by assistant attorneys general Werner L.

1 Margard and Thomas G. Lindgren, 180 East Broad
2 Street, Ninth Floor, Columbus, Ohio.

3 THE ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Okay.

4 MR. SAUER: On behalf of the residential
5 consumers of Duke Energy Company, Office of Ohio
6 Consumers Counsel, Janine Migden-Ostrander,
7 Consumers' Counsel, Larry Sauer, Michael Idzkowski,
8 assistant consumers counsel, 10 West Broad Street,
9 Columbus, Ohio 43215.

10 THE ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Okay.

11 MR. PARISI: Thank you. Vincent Parisi,
12 Interstate Gas Supply, general counsel, 5020
13 Bradenton Avenue, Dublin, Ohio, 43026.

14 MR. YURICK: My name is Mark Yurick, an
15 associate with Chester, Willcox & Saxbe, 65 East
16 State Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215.

17 MR. SINGH: Good morning, Bobby Singh on
18 behalf of Integrys Energy Services, 300 West Wilson
19 Bridge Road, Suite 350, Worthington, Ohio, 43085.

20 THE ATTORNEY EXAMINER: I'd note for the
21 record that other than the individuals identified and
22 the other individuals that are representatives of
23 parties, there are no members of the public present
24 in the hearing room today.

1 Thank you.

2 MR. DORTCH: Good morning, your Honor.
3 Your Honor, I'm happy to report the parties are
4 working towards settlement of the issues in this
5 case. We have a stipulation that has been circulated
6 and, unfortunately, not quite agreed upon in full,
7 but we do anticipate having a stipulation to present
8 to the Commission, and with that in mind, we believe
9 our time would be better spent working on that
10 stipulation resolving the one or two issues that
11 remain rather than presenting evidence today.
12 Therefore, we would request a week continuance in
13 order to finalize the stipulation and present it to
14 the Commission.

15 THE ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Is that agreeable
16 to everyone?

17 MR. SINGH: Your Honor, if that's okay,
18 if I might, with respect to the continuance, perhaps
19 we would leave it open-ended, and we will get back to
20 you within a week and indicate at that time whether
21 we need another hearing or whether there was a
22 settlement rather than shifting the date back by a
23 week.

24 MR. SAUER: That's fine.

1 MR. DORTCH: That's amenable.

2 THE ATTORNEY EXAMINER: If it's less than
3 a week, that's also good, too.

4 MR. SINGH: Thank you.

5 THE ATTORNEY EXAMINER: I believe there
6 is one motion outstanding from Duke for a protective
7 order for certain information in their long-term
8 forecast report, and I don't believe there were any
9 memo contras filed so I will grant that for a period
10 of 18 months similar to other protective orders. The
11 same would hold true if you want to continue it, you
12 would file a motion for an extension of protective
13 order at that point in time.

14 MR. DORTCH: Thank you, your Honor.

15 THE ATTORNEY EXAMINER: That being the
16 case, anything further?

17 Hearing nothing, we will be adjourned.

18 Thank you.

19 MR. DORTCH: Thank you.

20 MR. SINGH: Thank you your Honor.

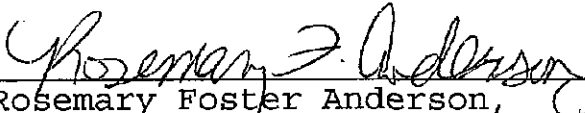
21 MR. SAUER: Thank you.

22 (Thereupon, the hearing concluded at
23 10:06 a.m.)
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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Tuesday, December 11, 2007, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.


Rosemary Foster Anderson, (JDA)
Professional Reporter and
Notary Public in and for
the State of Ohio.

My commission expires April 5, 2009.

(RFA-8074)

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