

**BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Columbia Gas	)	
of Ohio, Inc. for Approval of Tariffs to Recover	)	
Through an Automatic Adjustment Clause Costs	)	Case No. 07-478-GA-UNC
Associated with the Establishment of an	)	
Infrastructure Replacement Program and for	)	
Approval of Certain Accounting Treatment	)	

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**REPLY OF COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.  
TO UTILITY SERVICE PARTNERS, INC.'s  
RESPONSE TO THE FEBRUARY 28, 2008 FILING OF  
COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.**

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On February 28, 2008, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. ("Columbia") filed a pleading entitled "Application of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. to Revise its IRP Rider Rate" and the testimony of Larry W. Martin. Utility Service Partners, Inc. ("USP") asserts the provisions of the December 28, 2007 Amended Stipulation should not be implemented without approval from the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Commission").<sup>1</sup> Columbia agrees with USP that the February 5, 2008 Entry permitting admission of the Amended Stipulation into evidence was so the Commission could consider approving the Amended Stipulation. The purpose of Columbia's filing was not to reopen the record, influence the Commission's consideration of the Amended Stipulation or request admission of the aforementioned filings into the record. Rather, Columbia's intent in its filing was to adhere to the provisions and timeline set forth in the Amended Stipulation in order to fulfill its obligations<sup>2</sup> under the Amended Stipulation should the Commission approve the Amended Stipulation. Columbia

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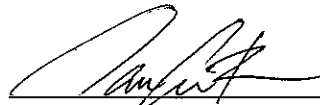
<sup>1</sup> See Response of Utility Service Partners, Inc. To The February 28, 2008 Filing of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. at 2 (Mar. 3, 2008).

<sup>2</sup> See Amended Stipulation and Recommendation at ¶ 4 (December 28, 2007), which required Columbia to submit an application by February 28, 2008 to revise its rates under the IRP Rider.

specifically addressed this issue in the aforementioned Application in paragraph 3 and in the testimony of Larry W. Martin on page 2 filed on February 28, 2008 to ensure all parties of record and the Commission had a clear understanding that Columbia's intent was only to comply with the provisions of the Amended Stipulation should the Commission approve the Amended Stipulation.

Respectfully Submitted,

**COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.**



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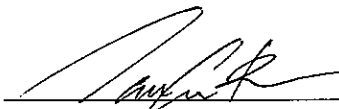
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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Reply of Columbia Gas of Ohio to Utility Service Partners, Inc.'s Response to the February 28, 2008 Filing of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. by electronic mail on all parties of record this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008.



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