## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of The East Case No. 07-829-GA-AIR Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio for Authority to Increase Rates for its Gas Distribution Service. In the Matter of the Application of The East Case No. 07-830-GA-ALT Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio for Approval of an Alternative Rate Plan for its Gas Distribution Service. In the Matter of the Application of The East Case No. 07-831-GA-AAM Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio for Approval to Change Accounting Methods. In the Matter of the Application of The East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio for Approval of Tariffs to Recover Certain Costs Associated with a Pipeline Case No. 08-169-GA-UNC Replacement Infrastructure Program Through an Automatic Adjustment Clause and for Certain Accounting Treatment.

## **ENTRY**

## The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On August 30, 2007, The East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio (DEO) filed applications for an increase in gas distribution rates, for approval of an alternative rate plan, and for approval to change accounting methods in Case Nos. 07-829-GA-AIR, 07-830-GA-ALT, and 07-831-GA-AAM, respectively, (rate case proceedings).
- (2) On February 22, 2008, DEO filed an application, in Case No. 08-169-GA-UNC (08-169), requesting approval of: tariffs to recover, through an automatic adjustment mechanism, costs associated with a pipeline infrastructure replacement (PIR) program; its proposal to assume responsibility for and ownership of the curb-to-meter service lines; and the accounting authority to defer the recovery of the costs for the PIR program. On that same day, DEO filed a motion to consolidate 08-169 with the rate case proceedings.
- (3) On March 3, 2008, the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) filed a motion to intervene in 08-169.

- (4)On March 10, 2008, OCC filed a motion for a three-day extension of time from March 11, 2008, to March 14, 2008, to file a memorandum contra DEO's motion to consolidate 08-169 with the rate case proceedings. In support of its motion, OCC states that, due to time constraints involving other cases at the Commission, the personnel assigned to this case will need a minimal extension of time to file a responsive pleading.
- Paragraph (C) of Rule 4901-1-12, Ohio Administrative Code, (5) permits the attorney examiner to rule on a request for an extension of time to file a pleading without the filing of memoranda, as long as the time requested is five days or less.
- (6) Upon consideration of OCC's motion, the attorney examiner finds that a short three-day extension of time, until March 14, 2008, for parties to file memoranda contra DEO's motion to consolidate should be granted.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That OCC's motion for an extension of time until March 14, 2008, for parties to file memoranda contra DEO's motion to consolidate be granted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon each interested person of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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