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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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PUCO DOCKETING DIV

KAREN AND DAVE SKELTON,

Complainants,

Case No. 08-0275-WS-CSS

AQUA OHIO, INC.

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Respondent.

ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

Aqua Ohio, Inc., (hereinafter "Aqua"), by and through counsel, hereby answers the Complaint filed against it by Karen and Dave Skelton (hereinafter "Customers") in the above-captioned case as follows.

FIRST DEFENSE

- Aqua admits, based upon information and belief, that the premises at 716 Seneca
 Drive, Montpelier, Ohio 43543, belongs to Customers and that Customers are customers of record responsible for payment of water service at that address.
- 2. Aqua denies all other averments set forth in the allegations in the Complaint either because Aqua is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the averments therein, or because such averments are not true, or both.

SECOND DEFENSE

3. The Complaint must be dismissed for failure to state a claim.

THIRD DEFENSE

4. The Complaint fails to state a reasonable ground for proceeding to hearing as required by the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 4905.26.

FOURTH DEFENSE

 Aqua provides water service to Customer in accordance with its Commission approved tariff, and all applicable provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and Commission and EPA rules and regulations.

FIFTH DEFENSE

 Aqua hereby denies all allegations set forth in the complaint that are not herein specifically admitted to be true.

DEMAND FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Aqua request that the Complaint be dismissed with prejudice and that Aqua be awarded any further relief, legal or equitable, to which Aqua may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A copy of Respondent Aqua Ohio, Inc.'s Answer to the Complaint was served, via prepaid U.S. regular mail, upon the parties at the addresses listed below on the 17th day of April, 2008.

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