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The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Ms. Jodi Bair, Utilities Department
Ms. Doris McCarter, Service Monitoring and Enforcement Department
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

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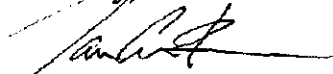
Dear Ms. Bair and Ms. McCarter:

Pursuant to Section 4901:1-19-04(A) of the Ohio Administrative Code, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. ("Columbia") hereby gives notice to the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Commission") of its intent to file an application pursuant to Section 4929.04 of the Ohio Revised Code.

In accordance with that statute, and to the extent necessary to implement its application, Columbia will request that the Commission approve Columbia's application to implement a wholesale auction procedure to secure its commodity sales supply. In that regard, the application will request that the Commission exempt Columbia's commodity sales service and/or ancillary service from all provisions of Chapter 4905 of the Ohio Revised Code with the exception of Section 4905.10; Chapters 4909 and 4935 of the Ohio Revised Code with the exception of Sections 4935.01 and 4935.03; Sections 4933.08, 4933.09, 4933.11, 4933.123, 4933.17, 4933.28, 4933.31, and 4933.32 of the Ohio Revised Code; and from any rule or order issued under those chapters or sections, including the obligation under Section 4905.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, to provide commodity sales service or ancillary service.

Columbia intends to file its application no earlier than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter.

Sincerely,



Daniel A. Creekmur
Attorney for
Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.

cc: Mr. Steve Lesser
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