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May 7, 2009

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Docketing Division
13th Floor
180 East Broad Street
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RE: Case No.09-400-GA-ATA

89-8002-GA-TRF

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find an original and 12 copies of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio for Approval of Gas Tariff Rate MPS. It is an application that does not increase rates.

Please return two (2) file-stamped copies to me in the overnight mail envelope provided.

Sincerely,

Anita M. Schafer
Senior Paralegal

Enclosures

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

Application Not for an Increase in Rates,
Pursuant to Section 4909.18 Revised Code

In the Matter of the Application of)
Duke Energy Ohio for Approval of Gas Tariff) Case No. 09- ~~400~~-GA-ATA
Rate MPS)

1. APPLICANT RESPECTFULLY PROPOSES: (Check applicable proposals)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Rule or Regulation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Classification | <input type="checkbox"/> Reduction Rates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Classification | <input type="checkbox"/> Correction of Error |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other, not involving increase in rates | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Various related and unrelated textual revision, without changes in intent | |

2. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: This application is made pursuant to Section 4909.18, Ohio Revised Code, and requests approval of language and text for new service Rate MPS for Duke Energy Ohio's customers.

3. TARIFFS AFFECTED: (If more than 2, use additional sheets)

P.U.C.O. Gas No. 18

Tariff Title: Rate MPS, Meter Pulse Service

Section: P.U.C.O. Gas No. 18, Original Sheet No. 80, Page 1 of 1

4. Attached hereto and made a part hereof are: (Check applicable Exhibits)

- ☐ Exhibit A – existing schedule sheets (to be superseded) if applicable
- ☒ Exhibit B – proposed schedule sheets
- ☒ Exhibit C-1

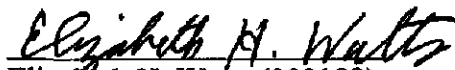
- (a) if new service is proposed, describe:
- (b) if new equipment is involved, describe (preferably with a picture, brochure, etc.) and where appropriate, a statement distinguishing proposed service from existing services;
- (c) if proposed service results from customer requests, so state, giving if available, the number and type of customers requesting proposed service

___ Exhibit C-2 – if a change of classification, rule or regulation is proposed, a statement explaining reason for change.

___ Exhibit C-3 – statement explaining reason for any proposal not covered in Exhibits C-1 or C2.

- 5. This application will not result in an increase in any rate, joint rate, toll, classification, charge or rental.
- 6. Applicant respectfully requests the Commission to permit the filing of the rate schedule, to become effective on the date, subsequent to filing, to be shown on the proposed schedule which will be filed with the Commission; and to be in the form shown in Exhibit B.

Respectfully submitted,


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RATE MPS METER PULSE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to customers that request the Company to install gas meter pulse equipment, which is a meter related service not otherwise provided by the Company.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE AND SPECIFICATIONS

The service provided is an electronic pulse output, representing a pre-determined natural gas volume. The volume will vary at different meter installations, and will thus be communicated to the customer at the time of installation. Pressure and temperature correcting factors may need to be applied by the customer.

The pulse supplied does not represent rate of flow, only total volume and should not be used for control purposes. The end-use customer is responsible for providing power and communication links to the meter pulse equipment per the Company's specifications.

Customer must provide either a regulated 24 volts DC, or 120 volts AC, an area 2' x 2', 20' away from any gas pipeline flanges or gas pressure relief devices. The Company will supply a dry contact to their energy Management software.

A failure of the pulse initiator will not be detected by Company on any routine meter reading or during other operations. Therefore, customer will be required to recognize and report any problems with the pulse system, and Company shall not be responsible for incorrect data, or subsequent customer actions based upon the data.

TYPE OF CHARGES

Installation of Meter Pulse Equipment:	\$500.00
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If replacement of Meter Index is necessary, additional charge of:	\$155.00
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If replacement of the Gas Meter is necessary, charges will be determined based on then current prices for purchase and installation of applicable replacement meter.

If the Company is required to make additional visits to the meter site due to the inability to gain access to the meter location or the necessary Communication Link has not been installed, or the Communication Link is not working properly, the Company may charge the customer for any additional trip to the meter site at the per visit rate of:	\$60.00
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In addition, the Company shall charge for the cost of any incremental equipment necessary to complete the pulser installation.

SERVICE REGULATIONS

The supplying and billing for service and all conditions applying thereto, are subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, and to the Company's Service Regulations currently in effect, as filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

Filed pursuant to an Entry dated
Utilities Commission of Ohio.

in Case No.

before the Public

Issued: May 7, 2009

Effective:

Issued by Julie Janson, President

(a) Description of New Service

Duke Energy Ohio proposes to implement gas Rate MPS, Meter Pulse Service, Sheet No. 80.

Rate MPS is optional and applies to customers that request the Company to install gas meter pulse equipment, which is a meter related service not otherwise provided by the Company

Some customers, particularly larger ones, have energy management systems that enable them to track their energy usage on a real-time basis. Gas meter pulse equipment connects the Company's gas meter (used for billing) to the customer's energy management system and provides an input data signal that is proportional to the amount of gas consumed during a specific time interval.

The service provided is an electronic pulse output, representing a pre-determined natural gas volume. The volume will vary at different meter installations, and will thus be communicated to the customer at the time of installation. Pressure and temperature correcting factors may need to be applied by the customer.

The pulse supplied does not represent rate of flow, only total volume, and should not be used for control purposes. The end-use customer is responsible for providing power and communication links to the meter pulse equipment per the Company's specifications.

The customer must provide either a regulated 24 volts DC, or 120 volts AC electric supply, to an area 2' x 2', approximately 20' away from any gas pipeline flanges or gas pressure relief devices. Duke Energy Ohio will supply a dry contact to their energy Management software.

A failure of the pulse initiator will not be detected by the Company on any routine meter reading or during other operations. Therefore, the customer will be required to recognize and report any problems with the pulse system, and the Company shall not be responsible for incorrect data, or subsequent customer actions based upon the data.

The Company proposes to charge a basic one-time fee of \$500 for the installation of the gas meter pulse equipment. The Company may also charge to recover certain incremental costs if necessary as outlined in the proposed tariff sheet.

Rate MPS allows for tariff recovery of expenses associated with installation, and maintenance as required, of equipment outside of what is needed in order to provide normal natural gas delivery service to customers. The data gathered by customers from this equipment may enable customers to more efficiently use their natural gas.

(b) New Equipment

Gas meter pulse equipment.

(c) Customer Requests

The Company has installed approximately thirty gas meter pulse systems to date. The frequency of requests is increasing.