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        BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO
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    In the Matter of the
    Regulation of the
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    Purchased Gas Adjustment :
    Clause Contained Within : Case No. 08-221-GA-GCR
    the Rate Schedules of
    Columbia Gas of Ohio,
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    Inc., and Related Matters :
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    In the Matter of the
    Long-Term Forecast Report : Case No. 07-121-GA-FOR
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    of Columbia Gas of Ohio, :
    Inc., and Related Matters :
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    Before Mr. Jay S. Agranoff, Hearing Examiner, at the
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    Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad
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    Street, Room 11-F, Columbus, Ohio, called at 10:00
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    a.m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2009.
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1 Tuesday Morning Session, September 15, 2009. 3 4 HEARING EXAMINER AGRANOFF: Scheduled for 5 hearing today at this time and place are Case Nos. 6 08-221-GA-GCR, which is in the Matter of the 7 Regulation of the Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause 8 Contained Within the Rate Schedules of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Incorporated, and Related Matters; as well 10 as Case No. 07-121-GA-FOR, which is in the Matter of 11 the Long-Term Forecast Report of Columbia Gas of 12 Ohio, Incorporated, and Related Matters. My name is 13 Jay Agranoff, and I will be presiding over this 14 morning's proceeding. 15 At this point in time we will take the 16 appearances of the parties. On behalf of Columbia 17 Gas. 18 Thank you, your Honor. MR. KEMPIC: 19

On behalf of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.,
Mark R. Kempic, Assistant General Counsel; Steven B.
Seiple, Lead Counsel; and Daniel R. Conway, Porter
Wright Morris & Arthur. Thank you, your Honor.

HEARING EXAMINER AGRANOFF: Thank you.
On behalf of the staff of the Public

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Utilities Commission.

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MR. REILLY: Thank you, your Honor.

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On behalf of the staff of the Public

Utilities Commission, Richard Cordray, Ohio Attorney

General, Duane Luckey, Section Chief, Steve Reilly,

Assistant Attorney General, 180 East Broad Street,

Columbus, Ohio 43215.

7 HEARING EXAMINER AGRANOFF: Thank you.

On behalf of any other party that may be in attendance.

MR. SAUER: Thank you, your Honor.

On behalf of the office of the State of Ohio Consumers' Counsel, representing the residential customers of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Janine L.

Migden-Ostrander, Ohio Consumers' Counsel, Larry S.

Sauer, Assistant Consumers' Counsel, 10 West Broad Street, Suite 1800, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

HEARING EXAMINER AGRANOFF: Thank you.

It's my understanding that the parties were interested in seeking a continuance of this morning's hearing. If the parties care to inform the record as to where that stands.

MR. KEMPIC: Yes, your Honor. Thank you.

The parties in the course of settlement negotiations in another case have also found a basis for, we believe, resolving the issues in this GCR,

and the Long-Term Forecast Report case.

In order to provide the time to allow that to come to a happy conclusion, we would request, simply, that the hearing today be called and then continued until the settlement in the other now-related case is completed, which will then incorporate or include a basis for settling, we believe, this case also.

HEARING OFFICER: Anything from either the Staff of the Commission or the OCC?

MR. REILLY: Your Honor, I would just say that in an order for continuing the hearing, that the order provide the most flexibility.

HEARING OFFICER: Okay. There being no objection to the continuance, this matter shall be continued until a later date that shall be specified by a subsequent entry to be issued by the Commission.

Are there any members of the public that are in attendance today?

Let the record reflect that none of the public are here for this morning's hearing.

And if there's nothing further, then this matter shall be continued until a later date to be specified by a subsequent entry. Thank you.

(Thereupon, the hearing was concluded at

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CERTIFICATE I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Tuesday, September 15, 2009, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes. \_s/Carolyn M. Burke\_ Carolyn M. Burke, Registered Professional Reporter, and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio. My commission expires July 17, 2013. 

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