

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Eastern)
Natural Gas Company for Approval of an) Case No. 08-940-GA-ALT
Alternative Rate Plan Proposing a Revenue)
Decoupling Mechanism.)

In the Matter of the Application of Pike)
Natural Gas Company for Approval of an) Case No. 08-941-GA-ALT
Alternative Rate Plan Proposing a Revenue)
Decoupling Mechanism.)

ENTRY

The Commission finds:

- (1) Eastern Natural Gas Company (Eastern) and Pike Natural Gas Company (Pike) (jointly, the companies) are public utilities as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and natural gas companies as defined by Section 4905.03(A)(6), Revised Code, and, as such, are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On August 1, 2008, as amended on February 6, 2009, and May 1, 2009, Eastern and Pike filed applications for approval of alternative rate plans proposing revenue decoupling mechanisms pursuant to Sections 4929.05 and 4929.051, Revised Code.
- (3) By Opinion and Order issued on June 16, 2010, the Commission approved the joint stipulation filed on March 19, 2010, in these cases, and authorized each company to adopt its proposed alternative rate plan, as revised to reflect a two-year phase-in of the new rate design for residential customers. The Commission directed Eastern and Pike to work with Staff to develop new proposed revised tariffs reflecting the two-year phase-in of the new rate designs, and ordered Eastern and Pike to file the new proposed tariffs in their respective dockets for subsequent approval by the Commission.
- (4) The Commission further ordered that Eastern and Pike notify all affected customers of the new rate designs via newspaper publication, a bill message, a special mailing, or a bill insert

within 30 days of the effective date of the tariffs. The Commission directed each company to submit revised proposed customer notices to the Commission's Service Monitoring and Enforcement Department, Reliability and Service Analysis Division, for review at least 10 days prior to distribution to customers. In addition, the Commission ordered both Eastern and Pike to file a copy of its final customer notice in each company's respective docket.

- (5) On June 25, 2010, as revised on June 28, 2010, Eastern and Pike filed revised tariffs specifying that the new rates would be effective for bills rendered after August 1, 2010. In addition, on July 2, 2010, Eastern and Pike each submitted a proposed customer notice, stating that the Staff had reviewed the notice.
- (6) The Commission finds that the new tariffs and the proposed customer notices are consistent with the findings set forth in our June 16, 2010, Opinion and Order and, therefore, they should be approved.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the tariffs filed by Eastern and Pike on June 28, 2010, and the customer notices submitted by each company on July 2, 2010, are approved. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Eastern and Pike are authorized to file in final form four complete copies of the tariff consistent with this Entry. Each company shall file one copy in its TRF docket (or may make such filing electronically as directed in Case No 06-900-AU-WVR) and one copy in this case docket. The remaining two copies shall be designated for distribution to the Rates and Tariffs, Energy and Water Division of the Commission's Utilities Department. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the tariffs shall be effective for bills rendered beginning August 1, 2010. It is, further,

ORDERED, That each company shall notify all affected customers within 30 days of the effective date of the revised rates. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Entry shall be binding upon this Commission in any future proceeding or investigation involving the justness or reasonableness of any rate, charge, rule, or regulation. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record in this proceeding.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO


Alan R. Schriber, Chairman


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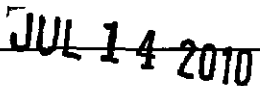
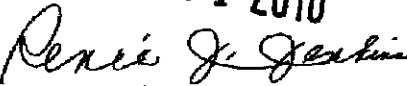

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