

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)
Piedmont Gas Company to Amend) Case No. 10-1135-GA-ATA
its Tariff.)

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) Piedmont Gas Company (Piedmont) is a natural gas company as defined by Section 4905.03(A)(6), Revised Code, and a public utility as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On August 13, 2010, Piedmont filed an application to amend its Tariff PUCO No. 1, which specifies that payments are due by the tenth of each month. Piedmont would like to change its billing cycle and is proposing to replace its current tariff language with a general statement that payments are due 14 days after the mailing of the bill. In support of its application, Piedmont states that this tariff revision will give it the flexibility it needs to read meters on a calendar-month basis.
- (3) The application has been filed pursuant to Section 4909.18, Revised Code, and the Commission finds that it is not for an increase in any rate, joint rate, toll, classification, charge or rental, and does not appear to be unjust or unreasonable. Moreover, the Commission finds that Piedmont's application to revise its tariff is in compliance with Rule 4901:1-13-11(C), Ohio Administrative Code, is reasonable and should, therefore, be approved.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That Piedmont's application to amend its tariff, as filed on August 13, 2010, be approved. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Piedmont be authorized to file in final form four complete copies of the tariff pages consistent with this Finding and Order and to cancel and withdraw its superseded tariff pages. Piedmont 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 Commission's Service Monitoring and Enforcement Department, Reliability, and Service Analysis Division. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the effective date of the new tariffs shall be a date not earlier than the date upon which four complete, printed copies of the final tariff page is filed with the Commission. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Piedmont shall notify all affected customers via a bill message, via a bill insert, or via a separate mailing within 30 days of the effective date of the tariff. A copy of the customer notices shall be submitted to the Commission's Service Monitoring and Enforcement Department, Reliability and Service Analysis Division, at least 10 days prior to its distribution to customers. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Finding and Order shall be binding upon the 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 Finding and Order be served on all parties of record.

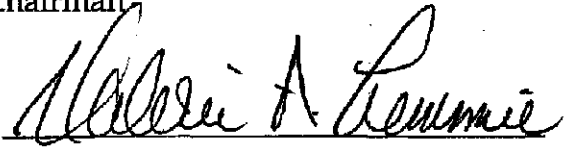
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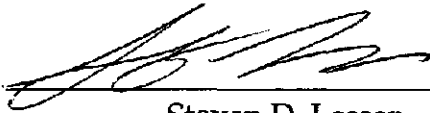
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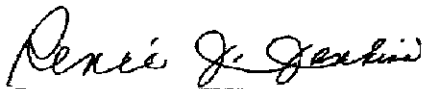


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