

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Five-Year Review of)
Natural Gas Company Uncollectible) Case No. 08-1229-GA-COI
Riders.)

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On August 19, 2009, the Commission issued its finding and order in this case, which, *inter alia*, determined that a consultant be selected to assist the Commission in the evaluation of the collection policies, practices, and performance of Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc. (Vectren), The East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio (Dominion), Duke Energy of Ohio, Inc. (Duke), and Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. (Columbia), and issued a request for a proposal.
- (2) On September 30, 2009, the Commission, *inter alia*, selected NorthStar Consulting Group (NorthStar) to audit the collection policies and practices. On May 3, 2010, as revised on May 7, 2010, NorthStar filed its audit report.
- (3) By entry issued November 3, 2010, the Commission denied the motions for protective order filed by Columbia and Duke, and directed the Commission's docketing division to release the unredacted pages of the audit report filed by NorthStar on May 3, 2010. Further, the Commission ordered that interested persons file comments and reply comments on the audit report by January 14, 2011, and February 11, 2011, respectively.
- (4) On January 5, 2011, the office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) filed a motion for an extension of the deadline for the filing of comments and reply comments on the audit report from January 14, 2011, and February 11, 2011, respectively, to January 28, 2011, and February 25, 2011, respectively. In support of its motion, OCC explains that it has been difficult to coordinate the initial comments due on January 14, 2011, due to the holidays. Further, OCC explains that it has been difficult to develop its position due to lack of response to discovery requests served on Dominion, Vectren, Columbia, and Duke.

OCC also states that it has contacted Commission staff, Dominion, Vectren, Columbia, Duke, Northeast Ohio Natural Gas Corporation, Orwell Natural Gas, and Waterville Gas and Oil Company, and that it certifies that no party objects to its request for a two-week extension for the filing of initial and reply comments.

- (5) Upon consideration of the motion for extension, the attorney examiner finds that it is reasonable and should be granted. Therefore, the deadline for the filing of comments and reply comments on the audit shall be extended to January 28, 2011, and February 25, 2011, respectively.


It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That OCC's motion for an extension of time be granted and the comments and reply comments on the audit report shall be filed by January 28, 2011, and February 25, 2011, respectively. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon the companies and all other parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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Secretary