

In the Matter of the Application of The East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio for Approval to Modify and Further Accelerate its Pipeline Infrastructure Replacement Program and to Recover the Associated Costs.

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE OUT OF TIME AND MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT BY INDUSTRIAL ENERGY USERS-OHIO

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE OUT OF TIME

Industrial Energy Users-Ohio ("IEU-Ohio") hereby respectfully moves the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 4903.221, Revised Code, and Rule 4901-1-11, Ohio Administrative Code, for leave to intervene out of time in the above-captioned matter with the full powers and rights granted by the Commission, specifically by statute or by the provisions of the Ohio Administrative Code, to intervening parties. The reasons supporting IEU-Ohio's Motion for Leave to Intervene Out of Time are fully set forth in the Memorandum in Support.

By an Opinion and Order issued in Case No. 08-0169-GA-ALT on October 15, 2008¹ the Commission granted alternative rate regulation by authorizing The East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio ("DEO") to implement a pipeline infrastructure replacement ("PIR") program and associated PIR cost recovery charges. On March 31, 2011, DEO filed a Motion to modify the 2008 Order to allow DEO to further accelerate the removal and replacement of bare steel, cast-iron, wrought-iron, copper and ineffectively coated pipeline. On April 11, 2011, the Commission issued an Entry

¹ In the Matter of the Application of The East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio for Approval of Tariffs to Recover Certain Costs Associated with a Pipeline Infrastructure Replacement Program Through an Automatic Adjustment Clause, And for Certain Accounting Treatment, Case No. 08-0169-GA-ALT, Opinion and Order (October 15, 2008) (hereinafter "2008 Order").

ordering that all future filings regarding DEO's request to modify its PIR program be made in Case No. 11-2401-GA-ALT and not in Case No. 08-0169-GA-ALT.

As demonstrated further in the Memorandum in Support attached hereto and incorporated herein, IEU-Ohio has a direct, real, and substantial interest in the issues and matters involved in the above-captioned proceeding, and is so situated that the disposition of this proceeding may, as a practical matter, impair or impede its ability to protect that interest. IEU-Ohio believes that its participation will not unduly prolong or delay this proceeding and that it will significantly contribute to the full development and equitable resolution of the factual and other issues in the proceeding. The interests of IEU-Ohio will not be adequately represented by other parties to the proceeding and, as such, IEU-Ohio is entitled to intervene with the full powers and rights granted by the Commission, specifically by statute and by the provisions of the Ohio Administrative Code, to intervening parties.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

In support of this Motion for Leave to Intervene Out of Time, IEU-Ohio states that it is an association of ultimate customers. A current listing of IEU-Ohio member companies is available on IEU-Ohio's website at http://www.ieuohio.org/member_list.aspx. IEU-Ohio's members purchase substantial amounts of electric and related services from Ohio's Electric Distribution Utilities ("EDU").

IEU-Ohio's members work together to address matters that affect the availability and price of utility services. Additionally, IEU-Ohio seeks to promote customer-driven policies that will assure an adequate, reliable, and efficient supply of energy for all consumers at competitive prices. To this end, IEU-Ohio has worked, including actively participating in the legislative process related to SB 221, and will continue to work to produce legislative, regulatory, and market outcomes that are consistent with the state policy contained in Section 4928.02, Revised Code.

IEU-Ohio has a real and substantial interest inasmuch as this proceeding may directly or indirectly impact the provision of electric service to IEU-Ohio members' manufacturing facilities. Specifically, IEU-Ohio's direct interest in this proceeding is the result of the effect that this proceeding shall have upon the price, adequacy, and reliability of the electric supply and related services within Ohio.

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Prior to filing this Motion, IEU-Ohio contacted DEO's counsel to determine whether DEO is opposed to IEU-Ohio's late intervention. DEO's counsel indicated that DEO does not oppose IEU-Ohio's late intervention.

The Commission should grant IEU-Ohio's Motion. IEU-Ohio participated in the underlying proceeding (Case No. 08-0169-GA-ALT). Moreover, the granting of this Motion will not jeopardize the procedural schedule and it will assure that a significant customer group is present as this Application moves forward. IEU-Ohio will not be adequately represented if the Commission denies IEU-Ohio's Motion, which is being filed merely a few days after the deadline. While the intervention deadline was set for May 25, 2011, testimony is not due until June 24, 2011, and the hearing will not be held until July 6, 2011. The Commission has granted late intervention in the past, especially in circumstances such as these when the deadline for testimony has not yet passed and the hearing is over a month away.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing *Motion for Leave to File Out of Time, and Memorandum in Support of Industrial Energy Users-Ohio,* was served upon the following parties of record this 2nd day of June, 2011 via first class mail, postage prepaid.

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