

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Annual Uncollectible)
Expense Rider Report of Waterville Gas)
& Oil Company and Application for) Case No. 11-3227-GA-RDR
Approval of an Adjustment to its)
Uncollectible Expense Rider Rate.)

In the Matter of the Uncollectible Expense)
Rider of Waterville Gas & Oil Company) Case No. 11-317-GA-UEX
and Related Matters.)

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) Waterville Gas & Oil Company (Waterville) is a public utility as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On October 11, 2007, in Case No. 07-194-GA-AIR, Waterville entered into a stipulation to resolve issues related to its rate case. As a result of the stipulation, Waterville established its initial uncollectible expense (UEX) rider. On November 20, 2007, the Commission approved the stipulation and the UEX mechanism, which was set at \$0.03 per thousand cubic feet (Mcf).
- (3) Since that time, Waterville has filed updates to adjust the rider rate and the Commission has authorized such revisions. Waterville's current UEX rider is set at (\$0.02) per Mcf.
- (4) By Finding and Order issued August 19, 2009, in *In the Matter of the Five-Year Review of Natural Gas Company Uncollectible Riders*, Case No. 08-1229-GA-COI, the Commission ordered that each natural gas company's annual UEX report is due in May of each year.
- (5) On December 17, 2010, the Commission opened Case No. 11-317-GA-UEX (11-317) for the purpose of the Commission's consideration of matters concerning Waterville's UEX rider.

- (6) On May 31, 2011, Waterville filed its application to revise its current UEX rider rate in Case No. 11-3227-GA-UNC (11-3227), along with its annual UEX report. However, in accordance with the Commission's procedures, Waterville's application should have been filed in 11-317 and 11-3227 should not have been initiated. Therefore, 11-3227 should be dismissed and closed of record.
- (7) With regard to application and annual report filed by Waterville on May 31, 2011, the Commission directs the Docketing Division to cause a copy of the application and annual report, which were filed in 11-3227, to be filed in 11-317.
- (8) In its May 31, 2011, application, Waterville proposes to change its UEX rider rate from (\$0.02) per Mcf to (\$0.0052) per Mcf, which represents an increase of \$0.0148 per Mcf.
- (9) Staff reviewed the application and, on June 30, 2011, filed its comments recommending approval of the proposed rider rate.
- (10) The Commission has reviewed the application and Staff's filed comments and finds that Waterville's application is reasonable and in the public interest, and should be approved.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That 11-3227 be dismissed and closed of record. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the Docketing Division cause a copy of Waterville's May 31, 2011, application and annual report filed in 11-3227 to be filed in 11-317. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Waterville's application to revise its UEX rider to (\$0.0052) per Mcf be approved. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Waterville is authorized to file four complete copies of tariffs, in final form, consistent with this Finding and Order. Waterville shall file one copy in 11-317 and one copy in its TRF docket (or may file electronically as directed in Case No. 06-900-AU-WVR). 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 nothing in this Finding and Order 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 Finding and Order be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO


Todd A. Snitchler, Chairman

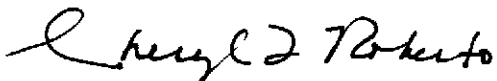
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