### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Suburban Natural Gas Company for An Adjustment to the Infrastructure Replacement Program Rider

Case No. 12-1698-GA-RDR

## APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AN ADJUSTMENT TO THE INFRASTRATURE REPLACEMENT RIDER OF SUBURBAN NATURAL GAS COMPANY

Pursuant to the Commission's September 15, 2009 *Finding and Order* in Case No. 09-573-GA-RDR, Suburban Natural Gas Company ("Suburban") respectfully requests that the Commission approve an adjustment to Suburban's infrastructure Replacement Rider ("Rider IRP") reflecting costs associated with capital investments made by Suburban during the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. In support of its Application, Suburban states:

1. Suburban, a privately-owned Ohio corporation, is a public utility and natural gas company within the definitions of Sections 4905.02 and 4905.03(A)(6), Ohio Revised Code and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission pursuant to R.C. 4905.04, 4905.05, and 4905.06.

2. Suburban currently provides natural gas service in Ohio to just shy of 15,000 residential, commercial, and industrial customers in Wood, Henry, Lucas, Delaware, and Marion Counties.

3. On June 1, 2009, pursuant to the *Finding and Order* in Case No. 07-689-GA-AIR, Suburban filed a plan for the timely replacement of prone-to-fail risers and a plan for the assumption of responsibilities associated with the installation, repair, replacement, and maintenance of customer service lines ("IRP"). 4. On September 15, 2009, in a *Finding and Order* in Case No. 09-573-GA-UNC, the Commission approved Suburban's IRP and the recovery of the cost associated with the IRP.

5. At the time of the Commission's approval, Suburban estimated that the IRP charge to customers would be \$0.29, \$0.58, \$0.84, \$1.10, and \$0.92 per month per customer in years one through five, respectively.

6. The approved IRP also requires that Suburban annually file an application to update its Rider IRP. Accordingly, by this Application, Suburban requests that the Commission approve an increase in Suburban's Rider IRP from \$0.25 per month per customer to \$0.52 per month per customer.

7. Suburban hereby submits the following schedules and exhibits supporting its request to adjust Rider IRP:

- a. Schedules A-1, A-2, and A-3 supporting Suburban's IRP rate calculation;
- Schedules B-1, B-2, and B-3 representing Suburban's proposed IRP tariff sheet, the proposed changes to Suburban's IRP tariff sheet, and Suburban's current tariff sheet, respectively; and
- c. Exhibit 1: Direct Testimony of Nichole M. Clement.

Respectfully submitted,

SUBURBANNATURAL GAS COMPANY By:

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Application for Approval of an Adjustment to the Infrastructure Replacement Rider was served upon the following parties of record or as a courtesy, via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the 20 day of August 2012.

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# REPLACEMENT OF SERVICE LINES AND

# RISERS – COMBINED EFFECT

Case No. 12-1698-GA-RDR

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Suburban Natural Gas Company Infrastructure Replacement Program and Rider Replacement of Service Lines and Risers - Combined Effect For the period July 2011 to June 2012 (12 mo actual)	
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Total Amount that Was Billed through Rider to Customers	6,260.67	\$ 5,680.74	\$ 5,705.70	\$ 5,696.73	\$ 5,734.56	\$ 3,687.97	\$ 3,700.75	\$ 3,704.50	\$ 3,710.25	\$3,719.11	\$ 3,721.00	\$5,705.70 \$5,696.73 \$5,734.56 \$3,687.97 \$3,700.75 \$3,704.50 \$3,710.25 \$3,719.11 \$3,721.00 \$3,721.00 \$ 55,042.98	\$ 55,042.98
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Year 4 Total Amount to Be Recovered through Rider													\$ 128,321.00
Revised Amount to Be Recovered through Rider													\$ 91,762.50
Estimated Number of Customers													14,845
Projected Revised Rate													\$ 0.52

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# COST OF DEBT CALCULATION

Suburban Natural Gas Company Infrastructure Replacement Program and Rider Cost of Debt Calculation For the period July 2011 to June 2012 (12 mo actual)	ו and Rider 2 (12 mo actual	-										
	Actual July 2011 Month 22	Actual Aug 2011 Month 23	Actual Sept 2011 Month 24	Actual Oct 2011 Month 25	Actual Nov 2011 Month 26	Actual Dec 2011 Month 27	Actual Jan 2012 Month 28	Actual Feb 2012 Month 20	Actual Mar 2012 Month 20	Actual Apr 2012 Month 34	Actual May 2012 Month 22	Actual June 2012 Month 32
Beginning Balance	\$ 114,827.53	\$114,827.53 \$128,451.70 \$157,481.50 \$164,647.66 \$167,731.36 \$171,261.08 \$166,849.11 \$162,612.13 \$158,696.51	\$ 157,481.50	\$ 164,647.66	\$ 167,731.36	\$ 171,261.08	\$ 166,849.11	\$ 162,612.13		l.	ŝ	\$ 199,477.64
Amount Borrowed	\$ 16,479.72	\$ 16,479.72 \$ 32.228.68 \$ 11,036.47 \$ 7,183.94 \$ 7,779.63 \$	\$ 11,036.47	\$ 7,183.94	\$ 7,779.63	، ج	\$ 175.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 4,869.20	\$ 17,817.93	175.00 \$ 500.00 \$ 4,869.20 \$ 17,817.93 \$ 31,946.22 \$ 7,200.72	\$ 7,200.72
Amount Repaid (collected through rider - 1 mo. lag)	\$ 2,855.55	\$ 2,855.55 \$ 3,198.88 \$ 3,870.31 \$ 4,100.23 \$ 4,249.90 \$ 4,411.98 \$ 4,411.98 \$ 4,415.62 \$ 4,426.04 \$ 4,527.48 \$ 4,898.69 \$ 5,564.23	\$ 3,870.31	\$ 4,100.23	\$ 4,249.90	\$ 4,411.98	\$ 4,411.98	\$ 4,415.62	\$ 4,426.04	\$ 4,527,48	\$ 4,898.69	\$ 5,564.23
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Cost of Debt Per LOC	2.365%	2.365%	2.428%	2.428%	2.428%	2.428%	2.428%	2.428%	2.428%	2.428%	2.428%	2.428%
Interest to be Recovered	_\$ 253.16 \$	\$ 310.37 \$	\$ 333.07 \$	\$ 339.31 \$	\$ 346.45 \$	\$ 337.52 \$	\$ 328.95 \$	\$ 321.03 \$	\$ 321.93 \$	\$ 348.81 \$	\$ 403.53 \$	\$ 406.84

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# RATE OF RETURN

Suburban Natural Gas Company Infrastructure Replacement Program and Rider Rate of Return For the period July 2011 to June 2012 (12 mo actual)	and Rider 2 (12 mo actual)											
	Actual July 2011 Month 22	Actual Aug 2011 Month 23	Actual Sept 2011 Month 24	Actual Oct 2011 Month 25	Actual Nov 2011 Month 26	Actual Dec 2011 Month 27	Actual Jan 2012 Month 28	Actual Feb 2012 Month 29	Actual Mar 2012 Month 30	Actual Apr 2012 Month 31	Actual May 2012 Month 32	Actual June 2012 Month 33
Beginning Balance	\$ 135,089.62	\$ 151,315.51	\$ 183,259.84	\$ 193,952.29	\$200,771.76 \$208,173.61	\$208,173.61	\$207,781.44 \$207,564.26	\$207,564.26	\$207,671.76	\$212,147.53	\$ 229,563.01	\$261,073.79
Amount Expended	\$ 16,479.72	\$ 32,228.68	\$ 11,036.47	\$ 7,183.94	\$ 16,479.72 \$ 32,228.68 \$ 11,036.47 \$ 7,183.94 \$ 7,779.63 \$	۰ ب	\$ 175.00 \$		\$ 4,869.20	\$ 17,817.93	500.00 \$ 4,869.20 \$ 17,817.93 \$ 31,946.22 \$ 7,200.72	\$ 7,200.72
Amount Repaid (collected through rider - 1 yr. lag)	\$ 253,83 \$	\$ 284.34 \$	\$ 344.03	\$ 364.47 \$	\$ 377.77 \$	\$ 392.18 \$	\$ 392.18 \$	392.50	\$ 393.43 \$	\$ 402.44 \$	\$ 435.44 \$	\$ 494.60
Ending Balance	\$ 151,315.51	\$151,315.51 \$183,259.84 \$193,9	\$ 193,952.29		\$200,771.76 \$208,173.61 \$207,781.44 \$207,564.26 \$207,671.76 \$212,147.53 \$229,563.01 \$261,073.79 \$267,779.91	\$207,781.44	\$ 207,564.26	\$207,671.76	\$212,147.53	\$229,563.01	\$261,073.79	\$ 267,779.91
Allowable Rate of Return	8.970%	8.970%	8.970%	8.970%	8.970%	8.970%	8.970%	8.970%	8.970%	8.970%	8.970%	8.970%
Return on Equity	\$ 1,131.08	\$ 1,369.87	\$ 1,449.79	\$ 1,500.77	1,131.08 \$ 1,369.87 \$ 1,449.79 \$ 1,500.77 \$ 1,556.10 \$ 1,553.17 \$ 1,551.54 \$ 1,552.35 \$ 1,585.80 \$	\$ 1,553.17	\$ 1,551.54	\$ 1,552.35	\$ 1,585.80	\$ 1,715.98	\$ 1,951.53	\$ 2,001.65
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# PROPOSED TARIFF SHEET

Suburban Natural Gas Company Cygnet, Ohio

SECTION V Fourth Revised Sheet No. 2B Cancels and Supersedes Third Revised Sheet No. 2B

#### INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM RIDER

#### **APPLICABILITY:**

Applicable to all customers.

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

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#### RATE:

\$.52 per Month

ISSUED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2012 EFFECTIVE: November 1, 2012

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Schedule B-2

# CHANGES TO CURRENT TARIFF SHEET

Suburban Natural Gas Company Cygnet, Ohio

SECTION V <u>Third-Fourth</u> Revised Sheet No. 2B Cancels and Supersedes <u>Second-Third</u> Revised Sheet No. 2B

#### INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM RIDER

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#### RATE:

\$.25.52 per Month

ISSUED: <u>November 1, 20112012</u> 20112012 EFFECTIVE: November 1,

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Schedule B-3

# CURRENT TARIFF SHEET

Suburban Natural Gas Company Cygnet, Ohio

SECTION V Third Revised Sheet No. 2B Cancels and Supersedes Second Revised Sheet No. 2B

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#### RATE:

\$.25 per Month

ISSUED: November 1, 2011 EFFECTIVE: November 1, 2011

Filed pursuant to the Opinion and Order of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio in Case No. 11-3234-GA-RDR dated <u>October 26</u>, 2011

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Exhibit 1

# TESTIMONY OF NICHOLE M. CLEMENT

### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the Application of Suburban Natural Gas Company for an Adjustment to the Infrastructure Replacement Program Rider

Case No. 12-1698-GA-RDR

# DIRECT TESTIMONY OF NICHOLE M. CLEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE SUBURBAN NATUAL GAS COMPANY

August 30, 2012

#### 1 **INTRODUCTION** I. Please state your name and business address. 2 **Q**. Nichole M. Clement, 551 Lake Cascades Parkway, Findlay, Ohio 45840. 3 Α. By whom are you employed and in what capacity? 4 Q. Pry Professional Group, Certified Public Accountant. 5 A. How long have you been associated with Pry Professional Group? 6 Q. I have been associated with Pry Professional Group for over 17 years. 7 A. On whose behalf are you offering testimony in this proceeding? 8 Q. I have been authorized to appear and testify on behalf of Suburban Natural Gas 9 A. Company, the applicant in this case. 10 Please outline your educational background and business experience. 11 Q. I graduated from Bowling Green State University in 1994 with a degree in Business 12 A. Administration with a specialization in accounting. I received my Certified Public 13 14 Accountants designation in 1998. I have worked with public utility companies at Pry Professional Group for the past 17 years. 15 Do you have any experience testifying at the Commission? 16 Q. Yes. On August 17, 2007, I submitted testimony at the Commission on behalf of 17 Α. Suburban in Case No. 07-689-GA-AIR, on September 14, 2010 in Case No. 10-763-18 GA-RDR, and on August 30, 2011 in Case No. 11- 3234-GA-RDR. Also, I am 19 generally familiar with the rate-making process and the accounting practices of public 20 21 utilities. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding? 22 **O**. The purpose of my testimony is to support Suburban's Infrastructure Replacement Plan 23 A. Rider ("Rider IRP"). I will describe the infrastructure replacement efforts that 24 Suburban has made. Also, I will describe how Suburban calculated the cost of such 25 26 efforts as set forth in Schedules A-1, A-2, and A-3. 27 Are you sponsoring any part of the Application? 0. 28 Yes, I am sponsoring Schedules A-1, A-2, and A-3. A. SUBURBAN'S INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PLAN 29 II. What are the costs Suburban is recovering through Rider IRP? 30 0. 31 In Case No. 09-573-GA-UNC, the Commission approved Suburban's plan for timely Α. replacement of prone-to-fail risers and a plan for the assumption of the responsibilities 32 associated with installation, repair, replacement, and maintenance of customer service 33 lines ("IRP"). In that case, the Commission also approved the recovery of costs 34

35		associated with the IRP. When the IRP was approved, Suburban estimated that the
36		incremental costs of the IRP would be approximately \$252,000 per year.
37	Q.	Has Suburban begun implementing the IRP?
38	A.	Yes, in October 2009, Suburban began replacing aging service lines at various locations
39		throughout its service territory and replacing prone-to-fail customer risers.
40	Q.	Are the costs of implementing the IRP in line with Suburban's original estimates?
41	A.	The costs are higher for year three in comparison with Suburban's original estimate due
42		to the fact that more replacements were completed during this timeframe than originally
43		expected as a result of year one and two having few replacements than estimated. For
44		the twelve month period beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012 the cost of
45		the IRP is \$274,435.
46	Q.	What is the current rate that customers are being charged under Rider IRP?
47	A.	Customers are now charged \$0.25 per customer per month for Rider IRP.
48	Q.	What is the new rate you are proposing for Rider IRP?
49	A.	\$0.52 per customer per month.
50	Q.	Why is Suburban proposing to increase the Rider IRP Charge?
51	A.	Suburban is proposing to increase Rider IRP to reflect the increase in costs Suburban
52		expects to incur as a result of implementing the IRP in year four beginning July 1, 2012
53		and ending June 30, 2013.
54	Q.	Is the \$0.52 customer charge in line with Suburban's estimates for the fourth year
55		of the IRP?
56	Α.	When the Commission approved the IRP, the charge to customers was estimated to be
57		\$0.29, \$0.58, \$0.84, \$1.10, and \$0.92 per month per customer in years one through five,
58		respectively. A \$0.52 charge is less than the initial estimates for year four of the IRP.
59	Q.	How was the \$0.52 customer charge calculated for the fourth year of the IRP?
60	A.	The calculation was based on actual data for July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 and
61		estimated data for July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. The basis of the calculation is
62		that approved in Case No. 09-573-GA-UNC.
63	Q.	In your opinion is a \$0.52 customer charge reasonable?
64	A.	Yes. As you can see from Schedules A-1, A-2, and A-3 of the Application, \$0.52 is a
65		reasonable charge for year four of the IRP and thus should be approved by the
66		Commission.
67	Q.	Does this conclude your testimony?
68	A.	Yes, it does.

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