

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of)
Glenwood Energy of Verona, Inc. for) Case No. 12-2614-GA-ABN
Authority to Abandon Natural Gas Service)

**APPLICATION OF GLENWOOD ENERGY OF VERONA, INC.
FOR AUTHORITY TO ABANDON SERVICE**

Now comes Glenwood Energy of Verona, Inc. (hereinafter “GEV” or “the Applicant”) and files this application seeking authority from this Commission to abandon retail natural gas service in Ohio. In support of its application, GEV states the following:

1. The Applicant is a natural gas company and a public utility within the meaning of Sections 4905.02 and 4905-03(A)(5), Revised Code, and is therefore subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

2. For a period of several years, GEV and its predecessor, Verona Natural Gas Company, has provided retail natural gas service to approximately 220 customers within the Village of Verona.

3. On August 7, 2009, GEV, in its capacity as successor in interest to Verona Natural Gas Company, filed a complaint against the Village of Verona (“Village”) alleging that the Village had impaired GEV’s ability to provide natural gas service to customers. On August 20, 2009, Utility Pipeline, Ltd. (“UPL”) filed a motion to intervene in Case No. 09-700-GA-CSS.

4. On September 29, GEV, the Village of Verona and UPL filed a joint consent agreement with the Commission finding that an emergency existed and requesting the Commission to issue, on an expedited basis, an interim order pursuant to Sections 4909.16 and 4905.95(C), Revised Code adopting a joint consent agreement. The agreement provided that UPL would act as interim operator of the Village’s natural gas distribution system as of October

1, 2009 for an interim period of time. During that interim period, UPL would assume all regulatory responsibilities for operating the system and GEV would be relieved from its duties as a natural gas public utility as of October 1, 2009 on an interim basis and would have its rate suspended as of that date on an interim basis. Under the agreement, GEV was to do a final reading of the meters on October 1 and 2, 2009 to confirm September deliveries while UPL would make October nominations with deliveries commencing on October 1, 2009 for the full requirements of the Village. UPL was to be responsible for compliance with all pipeline safety requirements during the interim period and would remain subject to the Commission's jurisdiction for purposes of pipeline safety. Termination of the interim period was to require prior Commission approval.

5. The Commission approved this interim agreement by Entry of September 30, 2009.

6. The Village and UPL have now been providing natural gas service to customers domiciled within the Village of Verona for nearly three years. It is obvious that all such customers recognize and understand that they are receiving natural gas service through the Village's natural gas distribution system as operated by UPL and no longer receive natural gas service from GEV.

7. On December 28, 2010, GEV filed a notice of withdrawal the complaint which was approved by Commission Entry of January 11, 2011.

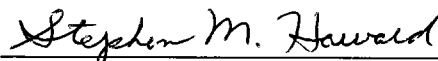
8. Given that natural gas service to the citizens of Verona has been provided over the last three years by the Village and its operator, UPL, GEV respectfully requests that the Commission terminate the interim period, grant permission for GEV to abandon retail natural gas

service in Ohio, and allow GEV to cancel its tariffs and be removed from the rolls of public utilities in Ohio.

9. GEV submits that the proposed abandonment is reasonable, having due regard for the welfare of the public and the fact that the public is receiving natural gas service from the Village and UPL. GEV also notes that this Commission has approved abandonment of service in other situations where notice had already been provided to customers and no hearing was deemed necessary. See e.g. In Re Columbia Gas of Ohio, Case No. 08-1179-GA-ABN, Entry, January 14, 2009; In Re Columbia Gas of Ohio, Case No. 10-447-GA-ABN, Finding and Order, April 28, 2010; and In Re Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc., Case No. 10-1329-GA-ABN, Finding and Order, September 22, 2010.

WHEREFORE, Glenwood Energy of Verona, Inc. and its predecessor, Verona Natural Gas Company, respectfully request that the Commission consent to the requested abandonment of service, declare the interim period in Case No. 08-700-GA-CSS has terminated, and permit the Applicant to cancel its tariffs and be removed from the rolls of public utilities permanently.

Respectfully Submitted,

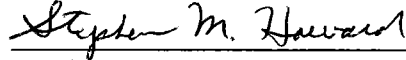


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