

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Complaint of)	
Orwell Natural Gas Company,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	Case No. 15-475-GA-CSS
)	
Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline Company,)	
LLC,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) Orwell Natural Gas Company (Orwell Gas or Complainant) and Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline Company, LLC (Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline or Respondent) are public utilities as defined in R.C. 4905.02 and 4905.03, and are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On March 9, 2015, Orwell Gas filed the instant complaint against Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline, pursuant to R.C. 4905.26 and 4929.24. Complainant stated that it received notice from Respondent that a system fed by Respondent off of Vrooman Road in Lake County will be shut down completely for an alleged need to move pipe and/or maintenance. Orwell Gas alleged that, if the shutdown is permitted, this would leave several customers without gas during the middle of the winter season. Orwell Gas asserts that this shutdown is in violation of R.C. 4929.22.
- (3) By Entry of March 10, 2015, the attorney examiner granted Complainant's request, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901-9-01, that Respondent be prohibited from shutting off service to Complainant's customers off of Vrooman Road in Lake County and Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline was directed to maintain the provision of service to all such customers during the pendency of this proceeding or until such time as the Commission orders otherwise.

- (4) On March 12 and 13, 2015, settlement conferences were held between the parties and an attorney examiner from the Commission's legal department. The attorney examiner has been informed by the attorney examiner presiding at the settlement conferences that the parties reached an agreement allowing for a temporary shutoff of gas, not to exceed four hours, by Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline to Complainant's customers off of Vrooman Road in Lake County.
- (5) Accordingly, the March 10, 2015 directive to Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline not to shutoff gas to Complainant's customers off of Vrooman Road in Lake County should be lifted until further ordered by the Commission. Counsel for Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline should provide a status report to the attorney examiner presiding at the settlement conferences as to the reconnection of customers that were temporarily shutoff.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the March 10, 2015 directive to Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline to maintain the provision of service to the customers served by Respondent off of Vrooman Road in Lake County during the pendency of this proceeding be lifted until further ordered by the Commission. It is further,

ORDERED, That counsel for Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline provide a status report to the attorney examiner presiding at the settlement conferences as to the reconnection of customers that were temporarily shutoff. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon each party of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

s/Scott Farkas

By: Scott E. Farkas
Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry ordered that the March 10, 2015 directive to Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline to maintain the provision of service to the customers served by Respondent off of Vrooman Road in Lake County during the pendency of this proceeding be lifted until further ordered by the Commission and ordered that counsel for Orwell-Trumbull Pipeline provide a status report to the attorney examiner presiding at the settlement conferences as to the reconnection of customers that were temporarily shutoff. -
electronically filed by Sandra Coffey on behalf of Scott Farkas, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio