

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Investigative Audit of)
Northeast Ohio Natural Gas Corporation,)
Orwell Natural Gas Company, and) Case No. 14-205-GA-COI
Brainard Gas Corporation.)

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) Northeast Ohio Natural Gas Corporation (Northeast), Orwell Natural Gas Company (Orwell), and Brainard Gas Corporation (jointly referred to herein as the Companies) are gas and natural gas companies within the meaning of R.C. 4905.03 and, as such, are public utilities subject to the supervision and jurisdiction of the Commission.
- (2) On November 13, 2013, the Commission issued an Opinion and Order in *In re Northeast Ohio Natural Gas Corp. and Orwell Natural Gas Co.*, Case Nos. 12-209-GA-GCR, et al. In the Opinion and Order, the Commission adopted Staff's recommendations with regard to the uncollectible expense and gas costs recovery (GCR) audits for Northeast and Orwell, disallowed certain fees for nonprocessed gas and premium payments to an affiliate, and found that Northeast and Orwell failed to demonstrate that their purchasing policies and procedures were fair, just, and reasonable or that they resulted in minimum gas prices. The Commission also determined that an investigative audit should be initiated into, but not limited to, the following areas of inquiry of the Companies and their affiliates: corporate separation and management structure, internal regulatory and financial controls, compensation system, gas purchasing transactions and practices related GCR calculations, and financial and accounting statements filed with regulatory agencies.
- (3) On April 2, 2014, the Commission issued an Entry directing Staff to issue Request for Proposal for conducting an investigative audit of the Companies. By Entry issued May 21, 2014, Rehmann Corporate Investigative Services (Rehmann)

was selected to perform the audit. On January 23, 2015, Rehmann filed its investigative report (Audit Report).

- (4) The attorney examiner now finds it appropriate to allow interested persons and parties to Case Nos. 12-209-GA-GCR and 12-212-GA-GCR to file comments on the Audit Report and to establish a deadline for interested parties to file motions to intervene in this proceeding. Accordingly, any entity seeking to intervene or to file comments in this docket should do so by April 30, 2015.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That interested persons file comments on the Audit Report by April 30, 2015. It is, further,

ORDERED, That motions to intervene be filed no later than April 30, 2015. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record, and all interested persons of record in this case and in Case Nos. 12-209-GA-GCR and 12-212-GA-GCR.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

s/Scott E. Farkas

By: Scott E. Farkas
Attorney Examiner

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Case No(s). 14-0205-GA-COI

Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry that interested persons file comments on the Audit Report by April 30, 2015; and that motions to intervene be filed no later than April 30, 2015; electronically filed by Debra Hight on behalf of Scott E. Farkas, Attorney Examiner.