BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for an)	Case No. 15-421-GA-PIP
Adjustment to its Interim, Emergency)	
and Temporary Percentage of Income)	
Payment Plan Rider.)	
)	

APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. ("Columbia"), hereby submits its annual Interim, Emergency and Temporary Percentage of Income Payment Plan Rider Report ("PIP Plan Rider"), and also requests approval to decrease its PIP Plan Rider rate. In support of its Application, Columbia states as follows:

- 1. In Paragraph 51 of the Commission's December 14, 2011 Finding and Order in Case No. 08-1229-GA-COI, the Commission directed each natural gas company to file an annual PIP Plan status report each May. The annual report is required to include the level of PIP Plan recoveries to write off and the rate, if applicable. In compliance with this Order, attached hereto as Attachment 1 is Columbia's annual PIP Plan Rider Report.
- 2. The December 14, 2011 Finding and Order also requires natural gas companies to file for approval of a PIP Plan rider rate adjustment whenever an increase or decrease of ten percent or more can be justified.
- 3. Columbia's current PIP Plan Rider rate is \$0.2806 per Mcf. This rate became effective on May 30, 2014, and was designed to recover the project level of arrears expected to occur during the subsequent twelve-month period.
- 4. Columbia's annual review of its PIP Plan Rider rate indicates that the PIP Plan Rider rate should be decreased to \$(0.0487) per Mcf, a decrease of \$(0.3293) per Mcf.

- 5. The development of the proposed PIP Plan Rider of \$(0.0487) per Mcf and the change from the current rate is set forth on Attachment 3. The proposed rate is designed to recover the projected level of arrears expected to occur during the next twelve-month period, less an over-collection of \$15,788,129.35.
- 6. The method of computing the proposed PIP Plan Rider for purposes of this Application is consistent with that approved by the Commission's December 2, 1993 Finding and Order in Case No. 88-1115-GE-PIP, 90-705-GE-PIP and 90-879-GE-ORD ("1993 Order"). The 1993 Order provides for a proceeding by a utility to adjust its PIP Plan Rider to a "true-up" rate in order to recover, over a twelve-month period, the PIP Plan arrearages accumulated over the year plus or minus any deficiency or excess recovered by the rider during a prior year. The Commission has continued to recognize that an emergency, as contemplated by Ohio Rev. Code 4909.16, continues to exist, and, in response to such emergency, that the PIP Plan should continue to be available to residential customers, as set forth in the Stipulation and Recommendation in Case No. 88-1115-GE-PIP, et al., approved by the 1993 Order. Said Stipulation and Recommendation provides for the adjustment of PIP Plan Riders upon request of the affected utility.
- 7. In the 1993 Order, the Commission established a procedure that permits a utility to implement a new PIP Plan rate on the forty-sixth day after the filing of an application, absent action by the Commission. This procedure is similar to the procedure established by the Commission in Case No. 93-1000-EL-FOR for recovery of certain State EPA Emission Application Fees. Columbia hereby requests that the proposed PIP Plan Rider rate set forth in this Application, absent Commission action, become effective on the forty-sixth day after the filing of this Application.

WHEREFORE, Columbia respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Application and proposed PIP Plan Rider rate as set forth herein and on Attachment 2, to become effective with the first billing unit for the month immediately following the forty-sixth day after the filing of this Application.

Respectfully submitted by,

COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.

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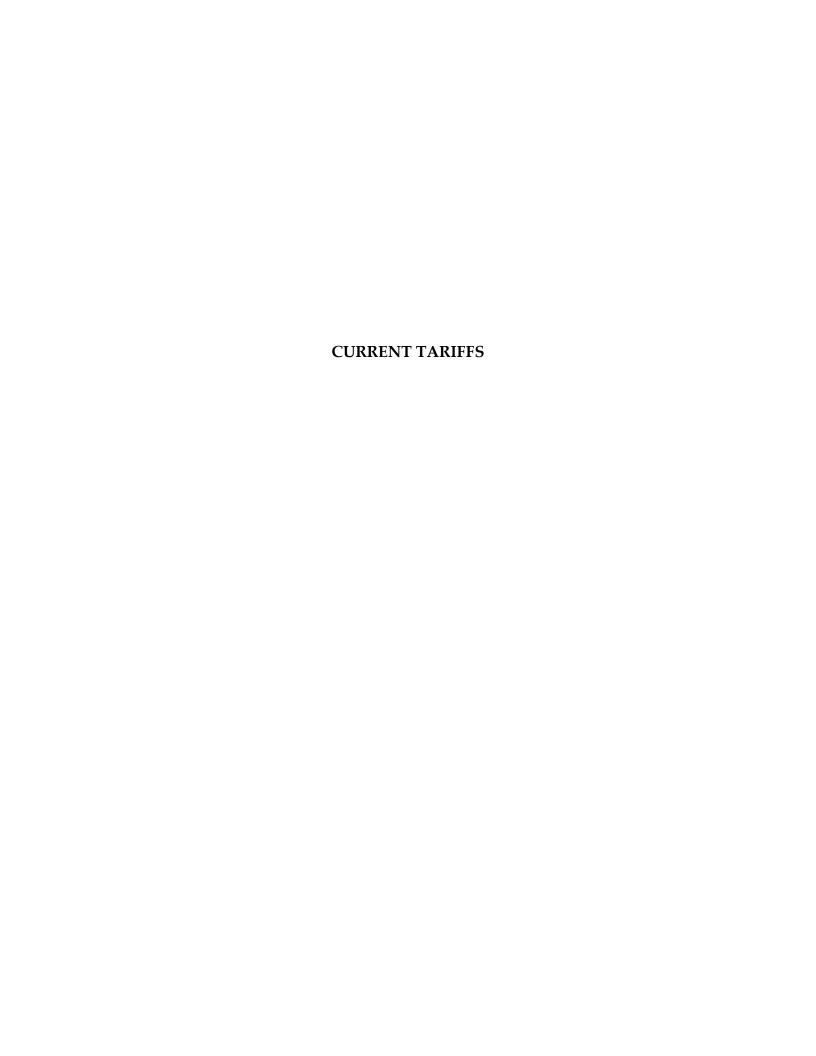
ATTACHMENT 1 PIP PLAN RIDER REPORT

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Computation of Annual Shortfall Requirement

Attachment 1

Line No.	Description	Balance @ 3/31/2015	Balance @ 3/31/2014	Annual Change
1	(Over)/Under-Collection at March 31, 2014			19,888,782
2	Net Charge-offs Less Than 2 Monts Old	18,240,069	24,567,400	(6,327,331)
3	Net Charge-offs Less Greater Than 2 Months Old	496,502,032	498,778,586	(2,276,554)
4	PIPP Arrearage Credit - Phase I	17,173,283	17,173,283	-
5	PIPP Arrearage Credit - Phase II	12,945,668	12,945,668	-
6	PIPP Arrearage Credit - Phase III	9,573,468	9,573,468	-
7	PIPP Arrearage Credit - Phase IV	4,396,176	4,396,176	-
8	PIPP PYMC Credit	1,140,675	1,140,675	-
9	PIPP Plus 1/24th Credit	69,269,532	53,214,956	16,054,576
10	PIPP Plus Delta Credit	83,226,832	73,851,713	9,375,119
11	PIPP Grad Plus 1/24th Credit	1,832,250	1,567,093	265,157
12	PIPP Grad Plus Delta Credit	11,634,842	10,976,570	658,272
13	PIPP Enrollment/Reverification Fee	542,840	439,592	103,248
14	PIPP Plus 1/24th Credit - ADJ	(266,155)	(235,567)	(30,588)
15	PIPP Plus Delta Credit - ADJ	(28,795)	(48,862)	20,067
16	PIPP Grad Plus 1/24th Credit - ADJ	(5,956)	(5,860)	(96)
17	PIPP Grad Plus Delta Credit - ADJ	48,291	48,795	(504)
18	Total	726,225,052	708,383,686	17,841,366
19	Recoveries	(730,201,385)	(685,666,974)	(44,534,411)
20	(Over)/Under-Collection, TME March 31, 2015			(6,804,263)

ATTACHMENT 2 PROPOSED TARIFFS



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COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF GAS

PIP PLAN TARIFF SCHEDULE RIDER

APPLICABLE:

To all volumes delivered under rate schedules SGS, SGSS, GS, GSS and LGS except for those volumes delivered to Customers taking service under these rate schedules that were Transportation Service Customers prior to April 1, 2012 and were not subject to payment of the PIPP Rider prior to April 1, 2012.

RATE RIDER:

All gas consumed per account per month

\$0.2806 per Mcf

Filed in accordance with Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Entry dated June 24, 1993 in Case No. 93-1000-EL-FOR.

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SECTION VII PART 29 - BILLING ADJUSTMENTS

INTERIM, EMERGENCY AND TEMPORARY PIP PLAN TARIFF SCHEDULE RIDER

29.1 Applicability

To all volumes delivered under rate schedules FRSGTS, FRGTS and FRLGTS except for those volumes delivered to Customers taking service under these rate schedules that were Transportation Service customers prior to April 1, 2012 and were not subject to payment of the PIPP Rider prior to April 1, 2012.

29.2 Rate

All gas consumed per account per month \$0.2806 per Mcf

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COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF GAS

26. GAS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE BILLING ADJUSTMENTS

INTERIM, EMERGENCY AND TEMPORARY

PIP PLAN TARIFF SCHEDULE RIDER

APPLICABLE

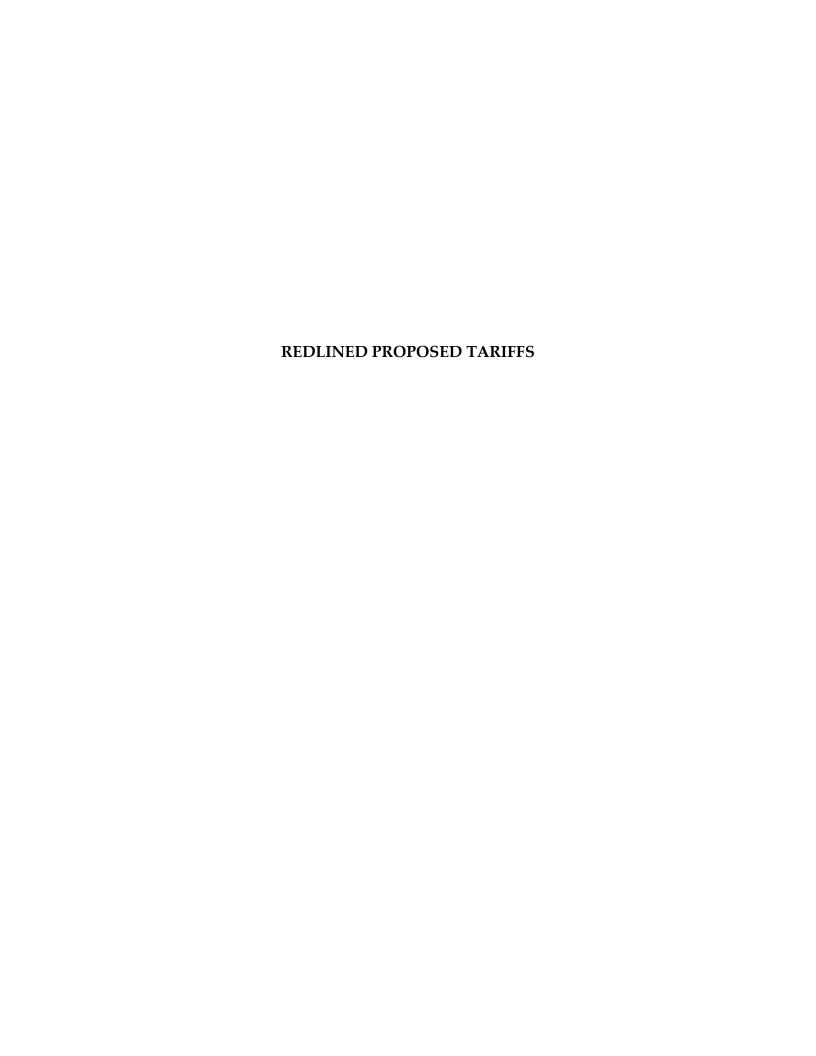
To all customers who were sales customers as of June 3, 1994, and any new customer account established after June 3, 1994.

PIP PLAN TARIFF BASE RATE RIDER

A PIP Plan base rate rider of \$0.2806 per Mcf will apply to all tariff volumes of applicable customers.

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Mcf

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ATTACHMENT 3 COMPUTATION OF PIP PLAN RIDER RATE

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Computation of Proposed PIPP Rate

Line No.	Description	Reference	Amount \$
1	Projected PIPP Arrears Balance @ May 31, 2015	Schedule 3	(15,788,129.35)
2	Projected Increase/Decrease in PIPP Arrears June 2015 - May 2016	Schedule 2	7,125,101.97
3	Total		(8,663,027.39)
4	Projected Throughput Subject to PIPP Surcharge Twelve Months Ending May 31, 2016	Schedule 4	178,011,404
5	Proposed PIPP Rate Per Mcf		(0.0487)

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Computation of Projected Change In PIPP Arrears April 2015 Through May 2016

													Incremental		
		Projected	Projected					Gross		Total	Less	Less	Change	Projected	Projected
	PIPP	PIPP	Usage/	Customer	IRP	Commodity	Gas	Receipts	Total	PIPP	Customer	HEAP/Other	PIPP	DSS	Commodity
	Customers	Consumption	Customer	Charge	Charge	Charge	Cost	Tax	Bill	Billings	Payments 2)	Payments	Arrears	Rate	Rate 1)
	(1)	(2)	$(3 = 2 \div 1)$	(4)	(5)	$(6 = 3 \times 14)$	(6=3 X 13)	(7)	(8)	$(9 = 1 \times 8)$	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
			Mcf	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
APR 2015	61,469	829,594	13.50	17.81	5.71	13.94	52.37	4.48	94.30	5,796,731.52	2,394,832	1,782,103.68	1,619,795.60	3.88	1.03
MAY	60,776	386,665	6.36	17.81	6.71	6.64	25.64	2.83	59.63	3,623,921.42	2,367,833	925,711.41	330,377.05	4.03	1.04
TOTAL APR 2015 - MA	AY 2015												1,950,172.65		
JUN	65,537	191,881	2.93	17.81	6.71	2.07	11.92	1.92	40.43	2,649,636.30	2,553,322	516,580.28	(420,265.50)	4.07	0.71
JUL	68,634	122,137	1.78	17.81	6.71	1.26	7.33	1.65	34.76	2,385,915.82	2,673,981	260,353.82	(548,418.64)	4.12	0.71
AUG	71,484	120,124	1.68	17.81	6.71	1.19	6.96	1.63	34.30	2,451,600.67	2,785,017	17,543.00	(350,958.97)	4.14	0.71
SEP	70,082	127,344	1.82	17.81	6.71	1.29	7.50	1.66	34.97	2,450,922.98	2,730,395	6,847.00	(286,318.74)	4.13	0.71
OCT	69,588	223,919	3.22	17.81	6.71	2.28	13.39	2.00	42.19	2,935,788.19	2,711,148	4,667.86	219,971.85	4.16	0.71
NOV	69,079	557,828	8.08	17.81	6.71	5.72	34.40	3.22	67.86	4,687,781.97	2,691,318	59,036.00	1,937,428.13	4.26	0.71
DEC	69,981	1,073,609	15.34	17.81	6.71	10.86	67.96	5.15	108.50	7,592,801.15	2,726,460	1,817,460.42	3,048,880.97	4.43	0.71
JAN 2016	72,902	1,502,987	20.62	17.81	6.71	14.60	93.81	6.63	139.55	10,173,513.88	2,840,262	10,562,655.07	(3,229,403.11)	4.55	0.71
FEB	76,598	1,545,268	20.17	17.81	6.71	14.28	91.59	6.50	136.89	10,485,835.73	2,984,258	7,070,643.61	430,934.04	4.54	0.71
MAR	62,146	1,307,306	21.04	17.81	6.71	14.89	94.45	6.68	140.54	8,734,075.38	2,421,208	2,189,059.74	4,123,807.48	4.49	0.71
APR	61,646	835,158	13.55	17.81	6.71	9.59	58.93	4.64	97.68	6,021,832.89	2,401,728	1,782,103.68	1,838,001.05	4.35	0.71
MAY	60,957	387,641	6.36	17.81	7.71	3.98	27.73	2.85	60.08	3,662,039.54	2,374,885	925,711.41	361,443.41	4.36	0.63

TOTAL JUN 2015 - MAY 2016 7,125,101.97

¹⁾ Projected Commodity Rate consists of PIPP Rider, Excise Tax Rider, Uncollectible Tax Rider, Regulatory Assessment Rider, Demand Side Management and Non-Temperature Balancing Service.

²⁾ Average PIPP Payment = \$38.96.

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.
Computation of Projected Change In PIPP Balance at May 31, 2015

	Projected				
	Change	PIPP	Actual/	Projected	Projected/
	PIPP	Surcharge	Projected	Surcharge	Actual
	Arrears	Recoveries	Balance	Volumes	Surcharge Rate
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	\$	\$	\$	Mcf	\$
JAN 2015			2,010,999		
FEB			(7,794,094)		
MAR			(10,006,302)		
APR	1,619,796	4,972,000	(13,358,506)	17,719,173	0.2806
MAY	330,377	2,760,000	(15,788,129)	9,836,066	0.2806
JUN	(420,265.50)	(262,925.92)	(15,945,469)	5,402,708	(0.0487)
JUL	(548,418.64)	(177,422.96)	(16,316,465)	3,645,759	(0.0487)
AUG	(350,958.97)	(170,659.04)	(16,496,765)	3,506,771	(0.0487)
SEP	(286,318.74)	(180,197.91)	(16,602,885)	3,702,780	(0.0487)
OCT	219,971.85	(276,280.33)	(16,106,633)	5,677,120	(0.0487)
NOV	1,937,428.13	(600,775.31)	(13,568,430)	12,344,975	(0.0487)
DEC	3,048,880.97	(1,150,561.03)	(9,368,988)	23,642,195	(0.0487)
JAN 2016	(3,229,403.11)	(1,583,278.82)	(11,015,112)	32,533,856	(0.0487)
FEB	430,934.04	(1,586,920.93)	(8,997,257)	32,608,696	(0.0487)
MAR	4,123,807.48	(1,323,648.15)	(3,549,801)	27,198,860	(0.0487)
APR	1,838,001.05	(870,118.29)	(841,682)	17,879,544	(0.0487)
MAY	361,443.41	(480,238.70)	(0)	9,868,140	(0.0487)

Schedule 4

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. Projected Surcharge Volumes at May 31, 2016

	Projected Surcharge Volumes
Apr 2015	Mcf 17,719,173
May 2015	<u>9,836,066</u>
TOTAL THROUGHPUT APR 2015 - MAY 2015	27,555,239
JUN 2015	5,402,708
JUL	3,645,759
AUG	3,506,771
SEP	3,702,780
ОСТ	5,677,120
NOV	12,344,975
DEC	23,642,195
JAN 2016	32,533,856
FEB	32,608,696
MAR	27,198,860
APR	17,879,544
MAY	9,868,140
TOTAL THROUGHPUT TME May 2016	178,011,404

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