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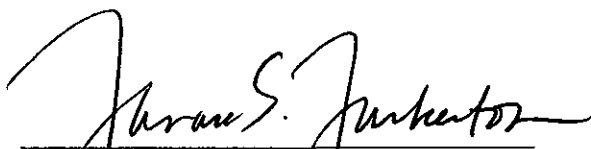
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RE: *In the Matter of the Joint Application of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. and Suburban Natural Gas Company for Approval of a Pipeline Lease Agreement in Case No 15-1931-GA-AEC.*

Dear Docketing Division:

Enclosed please find the Staff's Review and Recommendations in regard to the joint application filed by Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. and Suburban Natural Gas Company seeking approval for a pipeline lease agreement in Case No. 15-1931-GA-AEC.



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Enclosure

Cc: Parties of Record

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Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. and Suburban Natural Gas Company
Case No. 15-1931-GA-AEC

SUMMARY

On November 24, 2015, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. (Columbia) and Suburban Natural Gas Company (Suburban) jointly filed an application seeking approval of a pipeline lease agreement. The pipeline is located in Delaware County and is owned by Suburban. The lease agreement is to recognize Columbia's utilization of Suburban's pipeline to serve its customers in the Oak Creek Subdivision. The agreement provides for the monthly payment of \$2,125 by Columbia. The initial term of the agreement is for three years, with a month-to-month thereafter provision and 180 day written notice to the other party of its intent to terminate the lease.

This lease agreement extends an agreement between Columbia and Suburban entered into through a stipulation in Case No. 94-939-GA- ATA. The initial term of this agreement was for 20 years and is due to expire on January 23, 2016.

STAFF REVIEW

Staff has reviewed the application filed in the above case and finds it to be reasonable and in the public interest.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff believes that the application filed by Columbia and Suburban is reasonable and should be approved.