

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Regulation of the)	
Purchased Gas Adjustment Clauses)	
Contained Within the Rate Schedules of:)	
)	
Eastern Natural Gas Company)	Case No. 15-207-GA-GCR
Pike Natural Gas Company)	Case No. 15-214-GA-GCR
Southeastern Natural Gas Company and)	Case No. 15-215-GA-GCR
Related Matters.)	
)	
In the Matter of the Uncollectible Expense)	
Riders of:)	
)	
Eastern Natural Gas Company)	Case No. 15-307-GA-UEX
Pike Natural Gas Company and Related)	Case No. 15-314-GA-UEX
Matters.)	
)	
In the Matter of the Percentage of Income)	
Payment Plan Riders of :)	
)	
Eastern Natural Gas Company)	Case No. 15-407-GA-PIP
Pike Natural Gas Company)	Case No. 15-414-GA-PIP
Southeastern Natural Gas Company and)	Case No. 15-415-GA-PIP
Related Matters.)	

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) By Entry issued February 19, 2015, the Commission established a procedural schedule that ordered the filing of direct testimony and the date for a hearing in these proceedings. The Entry scheduled a hearing for January 19, 2016.
- (2) Pursuant to a request to extend time, on November 24, 2015, the attorney examiner issued an Entry rescheduling the hearing for February 24, 2016.
- (3) On February 5, 2016, Staff and Eastern Natural Gas Company, Pike Natural Gas Company, and Southeastern Natural Gas Company (the Companies) filed a joint motion to extend the February 8, 2016 deadline to file testimony by the Companies

and to potentially continue the February 24, 2016 hearing to a later date.

Staff and the Companies explain that all issues have been resolved in these matters except for a few issues in Case Nos. 15-207-GA-GCR, 15-214-GA-GCR, and 15-215-GA-GCR. Although they are working toward resolving the remaining issues, Staff and the Companies agree that if they are unable to resolve the issues prior to the hearing, the hearing should be continued with a new date for filing testimony. Staff and the Companies agree that the February 24, 2016 hearing should proceed as scheduled for the purpose of taking any public testimony. If, by then, all issues have been resolved, the hearing could proceed with testimony on the stipulation. If, on the other hand, issues remain unresolved by the date of the scheduled hearing, Staff and the Companies request that the attorney examiner continue the hearing to a later date and set dates for the filing of testimony. Staff and the Companies request that the filing date for testimony by the Companies be at least 16 days prior to the new hearing date.

- (4) The attorney examiner finds that the proposal to continue the hearing, if necessary, and to extend the date for filing testimony is reasonable. Accordingly, the joint motion should be granted. The February 24, 2016 hearing shall take place as scheduled, and the public shall be allowed to offer testimony. If all issues have been resolved between the parties, the hearing will proceed with testimony on the stipulation. If all issues have not been resolved, the hearing will be continued to a later date and dates will be established for filing direct testimony, with the Companies' testimony to be filed at least 16 days prior to the new hearing date. At the subsequent hearing, the parties shall present their witnesses, and members of the public who did not have an opportunity to testify at the previous hearing shall be allowed to offer testimony.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the joint motion for extension of time filed by Staff and the Companies be granted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That, in accordance with Finding (4), the hearing scheduled for February 24, 2016, shall take place and be continued, if necessary, to a later date. It is, further,

ORDERED, That direct testimony be filed consistent with Finding (4). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties and interested persons of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

/s/ L. Douglas Jennings

By: L. Douglas Jennings
Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry granting joint motion to continue the hearing, if necessary, and to extend the time to file testimony; electronically filed by Vesta R Miller on behalf of L. Douglas Jennings, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio