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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Attn: Docketing Division 180 E. Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: Case No. 16-1309-GA-UNC, 16-1310-GA-AAM

As an employee in Ohio's energy efficiency industry that provides services to customers of Columbia Gas of Ohio, I would like to express my personal support for the Demand Side Management (DSM) Program proposed by Columbia Gas of Ohio in the above case numbers. The company I work for is a partner in Columbia's energy efficiency Program and we have seen first-hand the positive impact of Columbia's Program on our customers and our business. Columbia's Program provides me with a career that benefits my family and me.

I understand that, as proposed, Columbia's Program is cost effective and has the potential to save tens of thousands of customers millions of dollars in energy costs over the life of the energy conservation measures.

In addition to a job for myself and lower bills for Columbia's customers, some of the additional benefits that the Program will create for our company's customers and Ohio's economy include:

- Jobs for Ohioans
- Purchase of products and services from businesses in Ohio
- Reduced customer electrical usage for heating and cooling
- Improved the safety, health, durability, comfort and affordability of customers' homes and businesses
- Savings on customer water and sewer bills
- Reduced greenhouse gas emissions
- Enhanced energy efficiency as an energy resource in Ohio's economy

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Without Columbia's programs, many people might not have their careers in energy efficiency and thousands of Ohioans would spend more for their utilities than is necessary. I urge the PUCO to approve Columbia's DSM Program so that our customers can continue to enjoy the many benefits created through energy efficiency programs.

Sincerely

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