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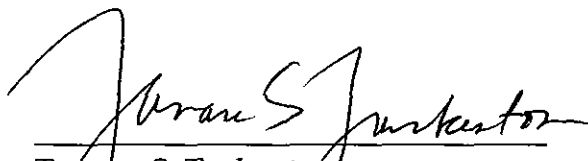
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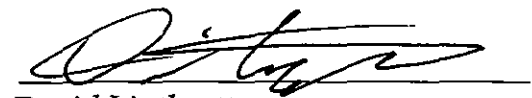
RE: *In the Matter of the Application of North Coast Transmission LLC for Approval of a Contract in Case No 16-2248-PL-AEC.*

Dear Docketing Division:

Enclosed please find the Staff's Review and Recommendations in regard to the application filed by North Coast Transmission seeking approval of a contract in Case No. 16-2248-PL-AEC.



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Enclosure
Cc: Parties of Record

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**North Coast Gas Transmission LLC
Case No. 16-2248-PL-AEC**

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SUMMARY

On March 30, 2004, in Case No. 04-265-PL-ATA, the Commission approved North Coast Gas Transmission LLC's (North Coast) application to operate as an intrastate pipeline company in Ohio subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Due to the wholesale nature of its transportation business, North Coast's tariffs provide for the rates and terms for transportation services to be individually approved by the Commission pursuant to Section 4905.31, Revised Code.

On November 22, 2016, in Case No. 16-2248-PL-AEC, North Coast filed an application requesting approval of a transportation service agreement (TSA) entered into by North Coast and Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. (COH). The TSA defines the firm service from North Coast's point of interconnect with Crossroads Pipeline Company to COH's facilities in Findlay, Ohio and is effective during the winter months of December 1, 2016, through February 28, 2018.

The application requests confidential treatment of the transportation rates, volumes, and shrinkage factor. These portions of the TSA have been redacted from the public version and filed under seal.

STAFF REVIEW

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

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the application filed by North Coast with COH be approved.