

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Waterville)
Gas & Oil Company for Approval of an) Case No. 17-0317-GA-UEX
Adjustment to its Uncollectible Expense Rider)
Rate.)

**APPLICATION FOR ADJUSTMENT
TO THE UNCOLLECTIBLE EXPENSE RIDER
BY THE WATERVILLE GAS & OIL COMPANY**

Waterville Gas and Oil Company (“Waterville” or “Applicant”) implemented its Uncollectible Expense Rider pursuant to the Entry of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (“Commission” or “PUCO”) approving the filing of a revised Tariff PUCO No. 12 in Case No. 07-0194-GA-AIR. Since that time, Waterville has filed updates to adjust the rider rate and the Commission has authorized such revisions. Most recently, the Commission’s October 10, 2016, Finding and Order in Case No. 16-317-GA-UEX approved Waterville’s current UEX rider of \$(0.0005) per Mcf. Applicant now submits its Annual Report for May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017, plus the information required in Paragraph 12 of the Commission’s Finding and Order dated August 19, 2009 in Case No. 08-1229-GA-COI, *In the Matter of the Five-Year Review of Natural Gas Company Uncollectible Riders* for calendar year 2016.

Applicant now respectfully requests the Commission’s approval to revise its Uncollectible Expense Rider (“Rider”) rate as explained below. In support of the Application, Waterville states the following:

1. As of April 30, 2016, the Applicant's over-collection balance was \$(573.39). Applicant's over-collection balance as of April 30, 2017 was \$(196.73). Applicant has concluded that an adjustment is appropriate.
2. Attached hereto and marked as Attachment 1 is Waterville's Annual Report for calendar year 2016 and 2017 (year to date.).
3. Attachment 2 sets forth the calculation of Applicant's proposed Rider rate of \$0.0002 per Mcf. This is an increase of \$0.0007 from the currently-effective Rider rate of \$(0.0005) per Mcf. Based on estimated sales volumes the over-collection balance will be eliminated by the implementation of the proposed Rider by April 30, 2018.
4. The resulting rate of \$0.0002 per Mcf is just and reasonable and should be approved. Copies of the proposed and redlined current tariff sheets are included as Attachment 3 to this Application.

WHEREFORE, Waterville Gas & Oil Company respectfully requests the Commission approve the revised Uncollectible Expense Rider rate proposed in this Application and authorize the filing in final form of Ninth Revised Sheet No. 18 contained in Attachment 3.

Respectfully submitted on this 30th day of May, 2017.

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The Waterville Gas & Oil Company
Uncollectible Accounts Expense Rider Reconciliation
January 1, 2017 through April 30, 2017

	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>
1 Balance-Beginning of Month	(610.79)	(574.81)	(423.09)	(316.39)
2 Bad Debts Written Off	0.00	120.14	74.25	105.54
3 Recovery - Base Rates	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4 Recovery - Bad Debt Rider (a)	(37.83)	(33.14)	(33.60)	(14.97)
5 Recovery - Other (b)	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
6 Incremental Bad Debt (2-(3+4+5))	37.83	153.28	107.85	120.51
7 Balance Subtotal (1+6)	(572.96)	(421.53)	(315.24)	(195.88)
8 Carrying Charges ((1+7)/2 x d)	(1.85)	(1.56)	(1.15)	(0.85)
9 Balance - End of Month (7+8)	(574.81)	(423.09)	(316.39)	(196.73)

(a)

Actual Monthly Sales Volumes	75,668	66,286	67,207	29,940
times Current Bad Debt Rider	<u>(0.0005)</u>	<u>(0.0005)</u>	<u>(0.0005)</u>	<u>(0.0005)</u>
Recovery - Bad Debt Rider	-37.83	-33.14	-33.60	-14.97

(b)

consists of customer payments, net-collection agency revenue, other collections

(c)

Annual Carrying Charge Rate	3.75%	3.75%	3.75%	4.00%
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(d)

Monthly Carrying Charge Rate	0.3125%	0.3125%	0.3125%	0.3333%
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The Waterville Gas & Oil Company
Revised Rider Rate Calculation
May 1, 2017

Balance Overcollected 05/01/17	(196.73)
Estimated Uncollectible Accts 5/17-4/18	<u>299.93</u>
Total to Collect	103.20
Estimated Sales Volumes 5/17-4/18 (mcf)	<u>433,317</u>

Calculated Revised Rider Rate	0.0002	per mcf
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Current Rider Rate-#16-317-GA-UEX	<u>(0.0005)</u>	per mcf
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Change	0.0007	per mcf
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May 16	22,154
June	13,066
July	9,432
August	8,988
September	10,913
October	13,832
November	40,232
December	75,599
January 17	75,668
February	66,286
March	67,207
April	<u>29,940</u>
	433,317

P.U.C.O. No. 12
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**RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF NATURAL GAS IN
THE STATE OF OHIO**

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All bills shall be adjusted to recover the Ohio Excise Tax by \$.0411 per Mcf delivered.

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Filed pursuant to PUCO Finding and Order dated ~~October 5, 2016~~ _____, in Case No.
~~167~~167-317-GA-UEX

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President, Waterville Gas & Oil Company

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