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RE: *In the Matter of the Application of Brainard Gas Corporation of a Reasonable Arrangement for Transporting Natural Gas in Case No. 17-2486-GA-AEC.*

Dear Docketing Division:

Enclosed please find the Staff's Review and Recommendations in regard to the application filed by Brainard Gas seeking approval of a reasonable arrangement for transporting gas in Case No. 17-2486-GA-AEC.

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Enclosure

Cc: Parties of Record

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Brainard Gas Corporation
Case No. 17-2486-GA-AEC

SUMMARY

On August 19, 2015, in Case No. 14-948-GA-AEC, the Commission approved natural gas transportation agreements with Brainard Gas Corporation (Brainard) and five customers which included Hans Rothenbuhler & Son, Inc. (Rothenbuhler).

On December 11, 2017, Brainard filed the present application to amend the full requirements transportation agreement with Rothenbuhler. In its application, Brainard requests approval to extend the term of the agreement through October 31, 2018, and modify the transportation rate.

On December 12, 2017, Brainard filed a motion for a protective order. In its motion, Brainard requested confidential treatment of competitively-sensitive information filed in the application.

STAFF REVIEW

Staff reviewed the application and found it to be reasonable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends to the Commission that the application filed by Brainard be approved.