

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the :  
 Motion to Modify the :  
 Exemption Granted to : Case No. 18-1419-GA-EXM  
 The East Ohio Gas Company :  
 d/b/a Dominion Energy :  
 Ohio. :

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PROCEEDINGS

before Ms. Sarah Parrot and Ms. Lauren L. Augostini,  
 Attorney Examiners, at the Public Utilities  
 Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Room 11-A,  
 Columbus, Ohio, called at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday,  
 December 17, 2019.

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Tuesday Morning Session,  
December 17, 2019.

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EXAMINER AUGOSTINI: Good morning. Today is a continuation of Case No. 18-1419-GA-EXM.

Let's just do brief appearances of the parties. Go ahead.

MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you. For the Company, Andrew Campbell with Dominion Energy Services and, outside counsel, Chris Kennedy with Whitt Sturtevant.

MR. OLIKER: Good morning, Your Honors. On behalf of Interstate Gas Supply, Inc., Joe Oliker and Mike Nugent is with me as well.

MR. SETTINERI: Good morning, Your Honors. On behalf of the Retail Energy Supply Association, Mike Settineri and Gretchen Petrucci with Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, 52 East Gay Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

MS. FLEISHER: Good morning, Your Honors. Madeline Fleisher on behalf of Direct and Direct Energy, from the firm of Dickinson Wright, 150 East Gay Street, Suite 2400, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

MS. BOJKO: Good morning, Your Honors. On behalf of the Office of the Ohio Consumers'

1 Counsel, Kimberly W. Bojko with the law firm  
2 Carpenter Lipps & Leland, 280 North High Street,  
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4 MR. MARGARD: On behalf of the Staff of  
5 the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Dave Yost,  
6 Ohio Attorney General, John Jones, Section Chief,  
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8 General Werner L. Margard, 30 East Broad Street,  
9 16th floor, Columbus, Ohio.

10 EXAMINER AUGOSTINI: Thank you.

11 So it's our understanding the parties  
12 have reached or are close to reaching a settlement in  
13 principle and that today was going to be a status  
14 conference, so, with that.

15 MR. SETTINERI: Yes, Your Honor, that is  
16 correct. I filed correspondence on the docket on  
17 behalf of RESA based on an understanding with the  
18 other parties that we are close to reaching a  
19 settlement. There's some issues to discuss still.  
20 Based on that, we would like to obviously have a --  
21 present you with a status conference today and then  
22 go into a settlement conference.

23 I would suggest potentially one thing  
24 that might be beneficial is to go ahead and go into  
25 that status -- settlement conference and then call

1 you down, if you're available, to follow up with you  
2 on where we stand at the end of that conference and  
3 then maybe then discuss scheduling of the matter  
4 going forward if that would be helpful.

5 EXAMINER PARROT: Mr. Settineri, I don't  
6 think we have our court reporter for the day, though,  
7 so if there's anything you want out on the record,  
8 now is the time to do that. If you at least have a  
9 preliminary indication of when you may be prepared to  
10 reconvene with the hearing, I'd at least like to get  
11 that out on the record, I guess, if the parties have  
12 discussed it, which you may not have, and if that's  
13 not happened yet then you can just state that.

14 MR. SETTINERI: We've had -- I think  
15 there have been some preliminary discussions at a  
16 high level with various parties. It might be helpful  
17 if we just go off the record and have a general  
18 discussion and then come back on the record.

19 EXAMINER PARROT: We can do that, yes.  
20 Let's go off the record.

21 (Discussion off the record.)

22 EXAMINER AUGOSTINI: Let's go back on the  
23 record.

24 The parties had a discussion off the  
25 record and have agreed to reconvene on January 16,

1 2020, at 10:00 a.m., in Hearing Room 11-C. Is there  
2 anything else that needs to be addressed today?

3 MR. SETTINERI: No, Your Honors, and we  
4 appreciate the courtesy of the status conference and  
5 shifting the hearing.

6 EXAMINER AUGOSTINI: You're welcome. All  
7 right. We are adjourned.

8 (Thereupon, the proceedings concluded at  
9 10:17 a.m.)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Tuesday, December 17, 2019, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.

*Carolyn M. Burke*

Carolyn M. Burke, Registered Professional Reporter, and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio.

My commission expires July 17, 2023.

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