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RE: *In the Matter of the Application of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for Approval of a Reasonable Arrangement for Transporting Natural Gas Pursuant to Section 4905.31, Revised Code.*

Dear Docketing:

Enclosed please find the Staff's Review and Recommendations regarding the application filed by Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for approval of a Reasonable Agreement, Case No. 20-1284-GA-AEC.

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Enclosure
Cc: Parties of Record

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**Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.
Case No. 20-1284-GA-AEC**

SUMMARY

On July 16, 2020, in Case No. 20-1284-GA-AEC, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. (Columbia) filed an application requesting approval of a transportation service agreement (TSA) with GenOn Power Mid-west LP (GenOn) to provide additional interruptible gas supply.

Currently Columbia serves GenOn under its General Transportation Service, however GenOn plans to increase its gas consumption beyond the level that Columbia's distribution system can support on a firm non-interruptible basis. Due to the planned increase in consumption, Columbia and GenOn entered into an agreement for Columbia to provide interruptible natural gas transportation service based on the gas pressure available at the metering and regulation station. Under this agreement GenOn would have access to natural gas service when the pressure serving the system at the metering and regulation station is above 65 PSIG. When the available pressure is at or below 65 PSIG a back pressure regulator designed to protect natural gas operations in Columbia's system will cause deliveries to GenOn to stop, at which time GenOn will switch to an alternative fuel source until the gas pressure increases above 65 PSIG once again. This agreement would go into effect as of the date that it is approved by the Commission and will remain in effect until terminated by Columbia and GenOn or the Commission.

STAFF REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION

Staff reviewed the application filed in the above case and finds the TSA to be reasonable and recommends to the Commission that the application be approved.

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Summary: Staff Review and Recommendation regarding the application filed by Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for approval of a Reasonable Agreement electronically filed by Zee Molter on behalf of PUCO Staff