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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
Pike Natural Gas Company	)	Case No. 21-0414-GA-PIP
For Adjustment of its Interim Emergency	)	
and Temporary PIP Plan Rider.	)	

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**APPLICATION**

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Respectfully submitted,

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Now comes Pike Natural Gas Company ("Pike" or "Applicant") and respectfully requests the approval of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Commission") for authority to revise its P.U.C.O. No 7, Eighth Revised Sheet No. 30, Interim Emergency and Temporary Rider for Recovery of Percentage of Income Payment Plan Costs from the current rate of (\$0.00052) per Ccf to a rate of (\$0.00553) per Ccf, which is a reduction of greater than +/- 10%. In support of this request, Pike states as follows:

1. Applicant is an Ohio corporation engaged in the business of providing natural gas service to customers in two divisions, Hillsboro and Waverly, in southwestern Ohio and, as such, is a public utility as defined by Section 4905.02 and 4905.03, Revised Code.

2. By this Application, and consistent with the December 2, 1993 Finding and Order of the Commission in Case Nos. 88-1115-GE-PIP, 90-705-GE-PIP, and 90-879-GE-ORD, Pike requests authorization to modify its Percentage of Income Payment Plan ("PIPP") riders (Pike P.U.C.O. No. 7, Tenth Revised

Sheet No. 30, Interim Emergency and Temporary Recovery of Percentage of Income Payment Plan Costs). The proposed tariff, Tenth Revised Sheet No. 30, is attached as Exhibit 2.

3. Pike's current PIPP rider became effective on February 10, 2021, in Case No. 20-0414-GA-PIP. The PIPP rider reflected in Exhibit 2, Tenth Revised Sheet No. 30, was determined in a manner consistent with Case No. 88-1115- GE-PIP. The resulting rate is comprised of two components and proposes to recover: 1) those PIPP customer account balances existing as of September 30, 2021 and 2) an amount of arrears it expects to continue to occur in succeeding twelve-month periods. Calculations supporting the modified rate are attached as Exhibit 1.

4. In accordance with the procedure recommended in the direct testimony of the Commission Staff in Case Nos. 88-1115-GE-PIP, *et al.* and the procedure established by Entry dated June 24, 1993 in Case No. 93-1000-EL-EFR, Pike could implement the proposed PIPP rider on December 1, 2021, on a bills rendered basis, absent action by the Commission.

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## **EXHIBIT 1**

**PIKE NATURAL GAS COMPANY**  
**2021**  
**CALCULATION OF RECOMMENDED PIPP RIDER RATE**  
**CASE NO. 21-0414-GA-PIP**

<b>Line No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1.	Balance of PIPP Arrears as of 09/30/2021	<u>\$ (74,903)</u>
2.	Recovery within 2 years (line 1 / 2)	<u>\$ (37,452)</u>
3.	Billed Volumes Subject to PIPP Rider twelve Months Ended 9/30/2019	<u>928,026 Mcf</u>
4.	Deferred PIPP Balance Rate (line 2 / line 3)	<u>\$ (0.0404) /Mcf</u>
5.	Transfer from PIPP A/R to PIPP Deferred During October 2020 through September 2021	<u>\$ (13,803)</u>
6.	Monthly Average (line 5 /12 Months)	<u>\$ (1,150)</u>
7.	Annual Average (line 6 x 12)	<u>\$ (13,803)</u>
8.	Annual Average Rate (line 7 / line 3)	<u>\$ (0.0149) /Mcf</u>
9.	Deferred PIPP Balance Rate (line 4)	<u>\$ (0.0404) /Mcf</u>
10.	Annual Average Rate (line 8)	<u>\$ (0.0149) /Mcf</u>
11.	Total Recommended Rate (line 9 + line 10)	<u>\$ (0.0553) /Mcf</u>
12.	Current Rate	\$ (0.0052) /Mcf
13.	Change in Rate (line 11 - line 12)	\$ (0.0501) /Mcf
14.	Percentage Change (line 13) / (line 12)	963.5%

**Pike Natural Gas**  
**Total**

Month	GS MCF Sold	
	Month	12 Mo Total
Jan-19	146,621.9	360,897.1
Feb-19	192,195.7	553,092.8
Mar-19	139,782.5	692,875.3
Apr-19	115,883.9	808,759.2
May-19	42,942.5	851,701.7
Jun-19	23,765.5	875,467.2
Jul-19	15,911.5	891,378.7
Aug-19	13,627.0	905,005.7
Sep-19	15,767.6	920,773.3
Oct-19	16,628.8	912,332.5
Nov-19	60,918.8	913,748.0
Dec-19	125,137.6	909,183.3
Jan-20	138,804.6	901,366.0
Feb-20	149,162.9	858,333.2
Mar-20	139,188.5	857,739.2
Apr-20	81,765.1	823,620.4
May-20	59,006.5	839,684.4
Jun-20	33,558.0	849,476.9
Jul-20	13,833.9	847,399.3
Aug-20	12,736.5	846,508.8
Sep-20	13,250.1	843,991.3
Oct-20	20,292.8	847,655.3
Nov-20	71,328.4	858,064.9
Dec-20	129,373.3	862,300.6
Jan-21	180,123.8	903,619.8
Feb-21	212,167.7	966,624.6
Mar-21	138,019.0	965,455.1
Apr-21	69,566.8	953,256.8
May-21	45,899.8	940,150.1
Jun-21	17,866.4	924,458.5
Jul-21	14,420.7	925,045.3
Aug-21	12,801.4	925,110.2
Sep-21	16,166.2	928,026.3

**Pike Natural Gas Company**  
**January 1, 2019 Beginning Balance and December 31, 2018 Ending Balance Adjusted**  
**Per Stipulation Case No. 19-414-GA-PIP**

Customer Consumption (a)	Actual Cust Payments (b)	185-000 Balance Prev Bal plus (a) - (b)	Rider recovery 186-100 (c)	186-100 Balance (d) = (c) + Prev Bal	Deferred PIPP Balance (e) = (b) + (d)
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**BEGINNING 2021 PUCO AUDIT PERIOD**

Oct-19	\$ 2,464.00	\$ 7,797.71	\$ 1,829,055.00	\$ 396.40	\$ (1,856,955.26)	\$ (27,900.26)
Nov-19	\$ 5,296.98	\$ 6,217.12	\$ 1,828,134.86	\$ 1,462.02	\$ (1,855,493.24)	\$ (27,358.38)
Dec-19	\$ 9,325.69	\$ 6,993.71	\$ 1,830,466.84	\$ 3,002.74	\$ (1,852,490.50)	\$ (22,023.66)
Jan-20	\$ 9,879.86	\$ 7,112.87	\$ 1,833,233.83	\$ 4,760.49	\$ (1,847,730.01)	\$ (14,496.18)
Feb-20	\$ 10,780.60	\$ 6,895.28	\$ 1,837,119.15	\$ 5,116.15	\$ (1,842,613.86)	\$ (5,494.71)
Mar-20	\$ 9,801.76	\$ 17,937.75	\$ 1,828,983.16	\$ 4,773.77	\$ (1,837,840.09)	\$ (8,856.93)
Apr-20	\$ 6,631.30	\$ 16,053.90	\$ 1,819,560.56	\$ 2,804.24	\$ (1,835,035.85)	\$ (15,475.29)
May-20	\$ 5,336.08	\$ 7,240.92	\$ 1,817,655.72	\$ 2,023.20	\$ (1,833,012.65)	\$ (15,356.93)
Jun-20	\$ 4,169.58	\$ 6,631.28	\$ 1,815,194.02	\$ (174.57)	\$ (1,833,187.22)	\$ (17,993.20)
Jul-20	\$ 2,810.18	\$ 5,697.50	\$ 1,812,306.70	\$ (68.84)	\$ (1,833,256.06)	\$ (20,949.36)
Aug-20	\$ 2,617.22	\$ 6,327.17	\$ 1,808,596.75	\$ (62.91)	\$ (1,833,318.97)	\$ (24,722.22)
Sep-20	\$ 2,504.61	\$ 6,044.92	\$ 1,805,056.44	\$ (65.16)	\$ (1,833,384.13)	\$ (28,327.69)
Oct-20	\$ 2,836.66	\$ 5,435.50	\$ 1,802,457.60	\$ (103.06)	\$ (1,833,487.19)	\$ (31,029.59)
Nov-20	\$ 5,166.60	\$ 4,948.99	\$ 1,802,675.21	\$ (370.28)	\$ (1,833,857.47)	\$ (31,182.26)
Dec-20	\$ 8,137.55	\$ 11,407.27	\$ 1,799,405.49	\$ (672.77)	\$ (1,834,552.78)	\$ (35,147.29)
PER PUCO AUDIT BALANCE S/B			\$ 1,771,464.78			\$ (63,088.00)

**(a) - PUCO Ordered Adjustment to January 1, 2021 Deferred Balance Case No. 21-414-GA-PIP**

Original Balance	\$ (35,147.29)
Adjusted Balance Ordered	(63,088.00)
Change	<u>\$ (27,940.71)</u>

Jan-21	\$ 10,674.72	\$ 6,112.76	\$ 1,776,026.74	\$ (936.29)	\$ (1,835,489.07)	\$ (59,462.33)
Feb-21	\$ 12,814.89	\$ 14,656.26	\$ 1,774,185.37	\$ (1,103.50)	\$ (1,836,592.57)	\$ (62,407.20)
Mar-21	\$ 8,860.81	\$ 8,122.57	\$ 1,774,923.61	\$ (717.83)	\$ (1,837,310.40)	\$ (62,386.79)
Apr-21	\$ 5,094.90	\$ 5,725.86	\$ 1,774,292.65	\$ (361.88)	\$ (1,837,672.28)	\$ (63,379.63)
May-21	\$ 3,878.35	\$ 4,942.89	\$ 1,773,228.11	\$ (238.54)	\$ (1,837,910.82)	\$ (64,682.71)
Jun-21	\$ 2,141.67	\$ 5,148.00	\$ 1,770,221.78	\$ (89.83)	\$ (1,838,000.65)	\$ (67,778.87)
Jul-21	\$ 2,054.19	\$ 5,388.54	\$ 1,766,887.43	\$ (72.05)	\$ (1,838,072.70)	\$ (71,185.27)
Aug-21	\$ 1,947.77	\$ 3,514.58	\$ 1,765,320.62	\$ (62.61)	\$ (1,838,135.31)	\$ (72,814.69)
Sep-21	\$ 1,952.78	\$ 3,961.04	\$ 1,763,312.36	\$ (80.44)	\$ (1,838,215.75)	\$ (74,903.39)

\$ 65,560.89	\$ 79,364.26
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\$ (13,803.37)

## **EXHIBIT 2**



4. Interim Emergency and Temporary Rider for Recovery of Percentage of Income Plan Costs.

In addition to all other rates and charges applicable to the service provided under the Company's General Service and Industrial Service Rate Schedules governing the distribution and sale of gas, customers receiving service pursuant to the General Service and Industrial Service Rate Schedules shall pay an additional amount per Ccf for the recovery of Percentage of Income Plan ("PIPP") costs. The monthly PIPP charge was established in accordance with the order of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio in Case No. 21-0414-GA-PIP. The current PIPP charge is (\$0.00553) per Ccf.

Reconciliation. The PIPP Rider is updated annually. The Company's actual PIPP expense for the applicable Rate Schedules, including carrying charges, shall be reconciled annually, with any over or under collection being reflected as a charge or credit in a subsequent update of the Rider Rate. The charge or credit may include Customer refunds if the Commission or Supreme Court of Ohio determines, as a result of an audit of the annual period in which the Rider Rate was in effect, that the Company's charge was unlawful or unreasonable or included imprudent amounts.

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