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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO Consumer Service Division Memorandum

CASE ID: 00762595

CUSTOMER: Zachariah Zinserling

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AIQ: Columbia Gas of Ohio

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DOCKETING CASE #: 21-0637-GA-AIR

SUBJECT: Columbia Gas of Ohio - Protest Rate Case

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Description: Columbia gas seeks to triple the monthly service charge for gas customers. Such a large increase cannot be supported. They claim they haven't raised rates since 2008 so that is ok, but most other prices have not tripled since 2008! Nor is their lack of securing proper funding years in advance a problem that should be pushed onto their consumers. Increasing fixed charges is also an incredibly regressive regime. As it stands right now, almost 50% of my annual gas charges and fees is for delivery instead of supply. With this new increase it will be

much higher than that, which does not make any economic sense.

Columbia Gas's failure to properly plan is not an issue that should be pushed onto consumers. It is not ok for any utility to triple prices overnight

Sincerely,

Bradley Berner

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