

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Duke)	
Energy Ohio, Inc., to Adjust its Interim,)	
Emergency and Temporary Percentage)	Case No. 23-418-GA-PIP
of Income Payment Plan Rider.)	

**APPLICATION OF DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC.,
TO ADJUST THE PERCENTAGE OF INCOME PAYMENT PLAN RIDER RATE**

Pursuant to R.C. 4909.18, Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., (Duke Energy Ohio or Company) hereby submits its annual Interim, Emergency and Temporary Percentage of Income Payment Plan Rider Report (Rider PIPP) and also requests approval to adjust the rate for its Rider PIPP.

Duke Energy Ohio is an Ohio corporation engaged in the business of supplying natural gas to customers in southwestern Ohio, all of whom, except Interruptible Transportation customers, will be affected by this Application, and is a public utility as defined by R.C. 4905.02 and 4905.03. Duke Energy Ohio serves incorporated communities and unincorporated territory within its entire service area, which includes all or parts of Adams, Brown, Butler, Clinton, Clermont, Hamilton, Montgomery, and Warren Counties in Ohio.

In support of its Application, Duke Energy Ohio states as follows:

1. Paragraph 51 of the Finding and Order in Case No. 08-1229-GA-COI, dated December 14, 2011, requires each natural gas company to file an annual PIPP status report. The annual report is to include the level of PIPP recoveries to write off and the rate, if applicable. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is Duke Energy Ohio's annual PIPP Report.
2. Duke Energy Ohio's current gas PIPP rider became effective August 2, 2022, in Case No. 22-0418-GA-PIP. The current rate was designed to recover the deferred gas PIPP customer

account balance that existed as of March 31, 2022. It was also designed to recover an ongoing amount of arrears that were expected to be incurred during the succeeding twelve-month period. The proposed rate is designed to recover the deferred gas PIPP customer balance that existed as of March 31, 2023, over a twelve-month period, and an amount of PIPP customer arrears Duke Energy Ohio expects to continue to incur in the succeeding twelve-month period. The method of computing the proposed rider for this proceeding is consistent with that approved in Case No. 22-0418-GA-PIP. The schedule supporting the proposed rider is attached as Exhibit 1.

3. Duke Energy Ohio's current Rider PIPP rate is \$0.007755 per CCF. The proposed Rider PIPP rate is \$0.007387 per CCF. The proposed rate is reflected on revised tariff sheet 63.20, attached as Exhibit 2.

4. The Commission has continued to recognize that an emergency, as described by R.C. 4909.16, exists and that, in response to that emergency, PIPP should continue to be available to residential customers as contained within the Stipulation and Recommendation in Case No. 88-1115-GE-PIP, approved and adopted by the Commission on December 2, 1993. The Stipulation and Recommendation provides for the adjustment of PIPP riders upon request of the affected utility.

5. In direct testimony of Commission Staff accepted by the Finding and Order dated December 2, 1993, a procedure for the implementation of revised PIPP rates essentially requires a utility to implement its new rate on the forty-sixth day after its application, absent action by the Commission. Duke Energy Ohio hereby requests that the proposed rate offered by this application, absent action by the Commission, becomes effective on the forty-sixth day after the application is filed.

WHEREFORE, Duke Energy Ohio respectfully requests that the Commission approve the proposed Interim Emergency and Temporary Percentage of Income Payment Plan Rider charge as requested herein, to become effective coincident with the forty-sixth day after the application is filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT 1

**Calculation of PIPP Interim Rider Rate
For the Period of April 2022 thru March 2023
(GAS SERVICE)**

Line No.	Description	As Filed Amount
1	Balance of PIPP Arrears Over 2 Months Old 03/31/23	996,544.48
2	Budgeted Annual Sales - Twelve Months Ended March 2024 (Less Inter Dept. & IT Trans Sales)	562,330,604 ccf
3	Deferred PIPP Balance Rate (Line 1 / Line 2)	0.001772 \$ccf
4	Transfer From PIPP A/R to PIPP Deferred During April 2022 Thru March 2023	<u>\$ 3,157,415.61</u>
5	Monthly Average (Line 4 / 12)	<u>\$ 263,117.97</u>
6	Annual Average Arrearages (Line 5 * 12)	<u>\$ 3,157,415.64</u>
7	Annual Average Rate (Line 6 / Line 2)	<u>0.005615 \$ccf</u>
8	Deferred PIPP Balance Rate	0.001772 \$ccf
9	Annual Average Rate	0.005615 \$ccf
10	Total Recommended Rate	<u>0.007387 \$ccf</u>

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RIDER PIPP
PERCENTAGE OF INCOME PAYMENT PLAN**

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\$0.007387 per 100 cubic feet.

This Rider is subject to reconciliation, including, but not limited to, refunds or additional charges to customers, ordered by the Commission as the result of annual audits by the Commission in accordance with the Finding and Order issued on December 14, 2011, in 08-1229-GA-COI, if determined to be unreasonable or imprudent by the Commission in the docket in which those rates were approved; provided, however, that such reconciliation shall be limited to the twelve-month period of upon which the rates were calculated.

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