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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of the
Complaint of the Columbia Customer
Coalition,)

Complainants,)

v.)

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.,)

Respondent.)

Case No. 01-2607-GA-CSS

Application of Columbia Gas of Ohio,
Inc. to Revise its Tariffs to Clarify the
Necessity for Balancing Orders to
Ensure That Sales Customers are not
Adversely Impacted by the Economic
Decisions of Transportation Customers.)

Case No. 01-2620-GA-ATA

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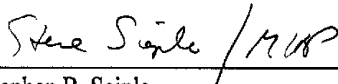
STATUS REPORT


In an Entry dated August 1, 2002 in the above dockets, the Attorney Examiner assigned to these cases directed the parties to file a report on the status of the cases. The parties hereby report that through ongoing settlement discussions, there appears to have been substantial progress made towards resolving the major issues raised in these two cases. The parties believe that continued discussions may lead to a possible settlement of the two cases. Because of the amount of time that has passed since the filing of these actions, the parties have set September 13th as a target date to reach a consensus on the major issues. The parties will report back to the Bench on or before that date.

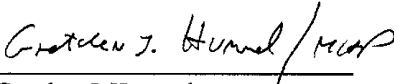
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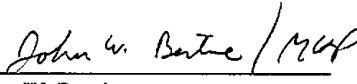
If the Parties are unsuccessful in reaching an accord, they request establishment of a hearing date for the end of January, 2003. In closing, the undersigned parties wish to thank the Bench for its patience with these cases.

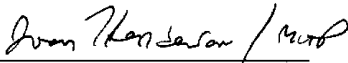
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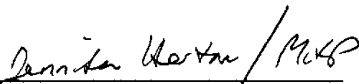

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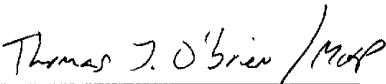

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