

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Applications of:)	
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Vectren Retail, LLC, d/b/a Vectren Source,)	Case No. 02-1668-GA-CRS
Interstate Gas Supply, Inc., and)	Case No. 02-1683-GA-CRS
Shell Energy Services Co., L.L.C.,)	Case No. 02-1680-GA-CRS
For Certification as Competitive Retail)	
Natural Gas Suppliers.)	

ENTRY

The attorney examiner, pursuant to the authority granted by Rules 4901-1-14 and 4901-1-24, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), finds:

- (1) On November 28, 2005, Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. (IGS) filed a motion pursuant to Rule 4901-1-24(F), O.A.C. to renew the protective order for its financial statements ("Exhibit C-3"); financial arrangements ("Exhibit C-4"); and forecasted financial statements ("Exhibit C-5"), all filed under seal on July 1, 2004, as part of IGS' renewal application for certified competitive retail natural gas supplier status. IGS seeks to continue the protective order issued on August 11, 2004 for an additional 18-month period.

- (2) On December 12, 2005, Shell Energy Services Co., L.L.C. (Shell Energy) filed a motion to renew the protective orders for its financial arrangements ("Exhibit C-4") and forecasted financial statements ("Exhibit C-5"), both filed under seal on July 2, 2004, as part of Shell Energy's renewal application for certified competitive retail natural gas supplier status. Shell Energy seeks to continue the protective order issued on August 11, 2004 for an additional 18-month period.

In that same filing, Shell Energy seeks to renew another protective order for its financial arrangements ("Exhibit C-4") that was filed under seal on July 5, 2002, as part of its original application for certified competitive retail natural gas supplier status. That protective order was originally issued on July 14, 2003 for a six-month period, and renewed on January 22, 2004 for an additional 18-month period. On June 9, 2005, Shell Energy was granted a further extension of that protective order until February 11, 2006.

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- (3) On December 20, 2005, Vectren Retail, LLC d/b/a Vectren Source (Vectren Source) filed a motion to renew the protective order for its financial statements ("Exhibit C-3"), financial arrangements ("Exhibit C-4") and its forecasted financial statements ("Exhibit C-5"), all filed under seal on June 10, 2004, as part of Vectren Source's renewal application for certified competitive retail natural gas supplier status. Vectren Source seeks to continue the protective order issued on August 11, 2004 for an additional 18-month period.
- (4) In the August 11, 2004 entry, the attorney examiner directed that protection of Exhibit C-4 to Shell Energy's renewal application, filed July 2, 2004, be limited to entity names, the first page of the exhibit and page 12 of the exhibit's agreement. That entry also directed that protection of Vectren Source's Exhibit C-4, filed June 10, 2004, be limited to the promissory notes and the entity names appearing in that exhibit. The renewal motions of Vectren Source and Shell Energy are understood to be consistent with those previous rulings.
- (5) Vectren Source, IGS and Shell Energy assert that the information protected in the exhibits involved continues to be competitively sensitive and proprietary business financial information.
- (6) Rule 4901-1-24(D), O.A.C., provides that an attorney examiner may issue a protective order where the information in question is deemed to be sensitive and where non-disclosure of the information is not inconsistent with the purposes of Title 49, Revised Code. The order may be extended pursuant to Rule 4901-1-24(F), O.A.C. In this case, Vectren Source, IGS and Shell Energy each assert that the information in question is still not generally known by the public and continues to be held in confidence by the companies. Non-disclosure of this information is not inconsistent with the purposes of Title 49, Revised Code. The requests for an 18-month extension to the August 11, 2004, and June 9, 2005, protective orders are reasonable. Thus, the attorney examiner finds that continued protection is warranted, and the motions for extension of the protective orders, consistent with the requirements of those orders, should be granted.

(7) Docketing Division should continue to maintain under seal, for the 18-month period beginning February 11, 2006, the following:

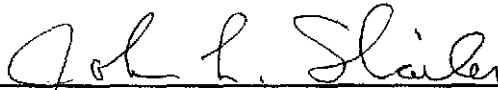
<u>Company</u>	<u>Exhibits</u>	<u>Original Filing Date</u>
IGS	C-3, C-4, C-5	July 1, 2004
Shell Energy	C-4, C-5	July 2, 2004
Shell Energy	C-4	July 5, 2002
Vectren Source	C-3, C-4, C-5	June 10, 2004

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the motions of Vectren Source, IGS and Shell Energy for renewal of the protective orders granted on August 11, 2004 and June 9, 2005, subject to the requirements of those orders, are granted for the 18-month period beginning February 11, 2006. Further, Docketing Division shall continue to maintain the documents identified in Finding (7) under seal for that period of time. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon Vectren Source, IGS, Shell Energy, their counsel and all other parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO


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