

PUCO RESPONSE MEMORANDUM

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From: Angela Hawkins
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Legal Department

Date: November 28, 2017

Re: PUCO Response – Energy Shortage Emergency Rules (Ohio Adm.Code Chapters 4901:5-17 to 4901:5-37)

In Case No. 16-567-AU-ORD, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) is reviewing its rules in Ohio Adm.Code Chapters 4901:5-17 to 4901:5-37. These rules, which are required by R.C. 4935.03, concern various types of energy emergency conditions for critical shortages or interruptions in the supply of electric power, natural gas, coal, or individual petroleum fuels. Prior to issuing the proposed rules, the PUCO held a workshop on April 5, 2016, to enable interested stakeholders to offer proposals for Staff's consideration. Representatives of several interested stakeholders attended the workshop, with one stakeholder offering comments.

Following a formal comment period, during which comments were filed by four stakeholders, the PUCO issued a Finding and Order on October 20, 2017, adopting the proposed rules as set forth in the order. On November 22, 2017, CSI replied to the PUCO, stating that CSI had no recommendations, and concluding that the PUCO should proceed with formal filing of the rules package with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR). In light of CSI's conclusion, the PUCO will proceed and file these rules with JCARR.

cc: Sarah Parrot, Chief, Gas Section, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio