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PUCO RESPONSE MEMORANDUM

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Re: PUCO Response - Infrastructure Development Rider Rules (Ohio

Adm.Code Chapter 4901:1-43)

In Case No. 17-1905-GA-ORD, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) is reviewing its natural gas infrastructure development rider rules in Ohio Adm. Code Chapter 4901:1-43, in light of statutory amendments that took effect on June 30, 2017, as a result of Substitute House Bill 26. Prior to issuing the proposed rules, the PUCO held a workshop on September 21, 2017, to enable interested stakeholders to offer proposals for the Commission's consideration. Representatives of seven interested stakeholders attended the workshop, with two stakeholders offering comments.

Following a formal comment period, during which comments were filed by multiple stakeholders, the PUCO issued a Finding and Order on January 24, 2018, adopting the proposed rules as set forth in the order. On June 29, 2018, the Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Office 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.

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