<u>4901:1-18-01</u> **Definitions.**

- (A) "Collection charge" means a tariffed charge assessed to a residential customer by a company for dispatching an employee or agent to a residence who is authorized to accept payment for utility service.
- (B) "Commission" means the public utilities commission of Ohio.
- (C) "Company" means a natural gas company as defined in division (G) of section 4929.01 of the Revised Code or an electric distribution utility as defined in division (A)(6) of section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.
- (D) "Consumer" means any person who is the ultimate user of electric or gas service.
- (E) "Customer" means any person who enters into a contractual agreement with the company to receive residential electric or gas service.
- (F) "Default" means the failure to make the required payment on an extended payment plan by the due date.
- (G) "Extended payment plan" means an agreement between the customer and the company that requires the customer to make payments over a set period of time to the company on unpaid amounts owed to the company.
- (H) "Household income" has the meaning attributed to it by the Ohio department of development, office of community services, in the administration of the home energy assistance program.
- (I) "Primary source of heat" means the energy that is the heat source for the central heating system of the residence or, if the residence is not centrally heated, the energy that makes up the bulk of the energy used for space heating.
- (J) "Secondary source of heat" means the energy that is the heat source for space heating other than that provided by the central heating system of the residence or, if the residence is not centrally heated, the energy that does not make up the bulk of the energy used for space heating or, if the residence is centrally heated using some other form of energy, the energy required to operate equipment needed for the proper functioning of the central heating system.

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