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January 13, 2012

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary PA Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Bldg. 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re:

Alfred Donnelly Stephanie Donnelly

Joe Michaels Fred Linbuchler

V.

UGI Penn Natural Gas, Inc. Docket No. C-2012-2281722

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing please find the Notice of Intervention and Public Statement of the Office of Consumer Advocate in the above-referenced proceeding.

Copies have been served upon all parties of record as shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely yours,

Dianne E. Dusman

Senior Assistant Consumer Advocate

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Enclosures

cc:

Certificate of Service

Office of Administrative Law Judge

Office of Special Assistants

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

ALFRED DONNELLY STEPHANIE DONNELLY JOE MICHAELS

FRED LINBUCHLER

DOCKET NO. C-2012-2281722

UGI PENN NATURAL GAS, INC.

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

Pursuant to 71 P.S. § 309-1, et seq., and 52 Pa. Code § 5.71(a)(1), the Office of Consumer Advocate hereby gives Notice of Intervention in the above-captioned proceeding. A copy of all correspondence and notices, documents, orders or other communications with respect to the above-captioned proceeding should be addressed to the following:

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Respectfully submitted,

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PUBLIC STATEMENT OF THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE PURSUANT TO 71 P.S. SECTION 309-4(e)

Act 161 of the Pennsylvania General Assembly, 71 P.S. § 309-2, as enacted July 9, 1976, authorizes the Consumer Advocate to represent the interests of consumers before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC or Commission). In accordance with Act 161, and for the following reasons, the Consumer Advocate determined to file an Intervention and participate in proceedings before the Commission involving the Formal Complaint of Alfred and Stephanie Donelly, in which Joe Michaels and Fred Linbuchler have joined, concerning PNG's failure to extend gas mains to his home.

On December 28, 2011, the Donnellys filed a Formal Complaint with the Commission protesting UGI Penn Natural Gas's (PNG or Company) proposed phase-out of the Gas Beyond the Mains (GBM) program. Joe Michaels and Fred Linbuchler filed joinder documents pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 5.23. In the Complaint, it is alleged that in consultation with PNG's corporate predecessor, they installed gas appliances in their homes with the understanding that they would receive propane gas at natural gas prices until the Company installed gas lines to their properties. Accordingly, the Complainants now request that PNG continue to provide propane gas at natural gas rates until PNG extends natural gas mains to their properties.

Through its participation in this proceeding, the OCA seeks to ensure that the interests of the Complainants and other similarly situated customers are duly considered. In addition, the OCA will work to ensure that this Complaint is adjudicated in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Public Utility Code.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

STEPHANIE AND ALFRED DONNELLY:
JOSEPH MICHAELS:
FRED LINBUCHLER:

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UGI PENN NATURAL GAS, INC.

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the Notice of Intervention and Public Statement of the Office of Consumer Advocate upon parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code §1.54 (relating to service by a participant), in the manner and upon the persons listed below:

Dated this 13th day of January 2012.

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