**BEFORE THE**

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Centre Park Historic District, Inc. :

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v. :C-2015-2516051

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UGI Utilities, Inc. – Gas Division :

City of Reading :

:

v. :C-2016-2530475

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UGI Utilities, Inc. :

**INTERIM ORDER**

**SUSPENDING LITIGATION**

On November 25, 2015, the Centre Park Historic District, Inc. (CPHD), filed a formal complaint which alleged that UGI Utilities, Inc. – Gas Division (UGI), violated the Commission’s regulation regarding the placement of meters in historic districts of Reading, Pennsylvania, 52 Pa.Code § 59.18. UGI filed an answer denying the material allegations of the complaint on December 15, 2015. It is UGI’s position that Section 59.18 grants it discretion in the placement of meters in historic areas and that its actions have been appropriate as required by the Public Utility Code.

On February 17, 2016, the City of Reading filed a formal complaint against UGI Utilities, Inc. (UGI), challenging UGI’s placement of meters in historic districts as well as the outside placement of meters in unsafe locations in other districts of the city. On March 14, 2016, UGI filed an answer denying the material allegations of the complaint and also preliminary objections seeking dismissal of the complaint. The City of Reading filed an answer to the preliminary objections on March 24, 2016. By interim order dated March 29, 2016, the preliminary objections were denied. The complaints of CPHD and the City of Reading were consolidated by order entered March 30, 2016.

Several prehearing conferences have been held and a schedule for discovery and dispositive motions were set by interim orders dated March 21, 2017 and June 15, 2017. In accordance with those orders, the parties completed discovery and each filed dispositive motions on July 6, 2017 and responses on July 26, 2017. An interim order was entered on September 7, 2017, which denied the Complainants’ motion for partial summary judgement. By initial decision served on September 7, 2017, UGI’s motion for summary judgement was denied in part and granted in part. UGI filed exceptions to the initial decision on September 27, 2017.

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the proceedings on these consolidated complaints is stayed pending the Commission’s decision on UGI’s exceptions.

2. That within **10 days** of the Commission’s final action on UGI’s exceptions filed on September 27, 2017, the parties shall confer and submit a proposed schedule for the concurrent service of direct written testimony and evidentiary hearings in Harrisburg.

Date: October 5, 2017 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mary D. Long

Administrative Law Judge

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