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February 15, 2018

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street, 2nd Floor North P.O. Box 3265 Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Centre Park Historic District v. UGI Utilities, Inc. Docket No. C-2015-2516051

City of Reading v. UGI Utilities, Inc. Docket No. C-2016-2530475

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing is the Answer of UGI Utilities, Inc. to the City of Reading's Motion for 60-Day Stay of Proceedings and Extension of Deadlines in the above-referenced proceeding. Copies will be provided as indicated on the Certificate of Service.

Respectfully submitted,

Devin Ryan

DTR/jl Enclosure

cc: Honorable Mary D. Long Certificate of Service

BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Centre Park Historic District	:	
v.	:	Docket No. C-2015-2516051
UGI Utilities, Inc.	•	
City of Reading	:	
ν.	:	Docket No. C-2016-2530475
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ANSWER OF UGI UTILITIES, INC. TO THE CITY OF READING'S MOTION FOR 60-DAY STAY OF PROCEEDINGS AND EXTENSION OF DEADLINES

TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE MARY D. LONG:

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 5.103(c), UGI Utilities, Inc. ("UGI" or the "Company") hereby files this Answer to the City of Reading's ("City") Motion for 60-Day Stay of Proceedings and Extension of Deadlines ("Motion to Stay"). As explained herein, the Company does not oppose the 60-day stay of proceedings and extension of deadlines, as the City has committed to engaging in good faith settlement negotiations to resolve the above-captioned proceeding fully.

In support of its Answer, UGI states as follows:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. On November 25, 2015, Centre Park Historic District ("CPHD") filed a Formal Complaint at Docket No. C-2015-2516051 alleging UGI's meter location practices in the historic districts of Reading, PA violated amended Section 59.18 and Section 59.33 of the Commission's regulations. On February 17, 2016, the City filed a formal complaint against UGI, challenging UGI's meter relocation program within the City's historic districts on the basis that UGI violated Section 59.18. The City also challenged UGI's outside meter placement on the basis that UGI had placed meters in dangerous locations/conditions, in violation of Section 59.18 and 49 CFR §192.353, in locations throughout the City.

2. UGI timely filed Answers to both Complaints. The Company also filed Preliminary Objections on March 14, 2016, to the City's Complaint, which argued that the City's Complaint should be dismissed in its entirety due to the legal insufficiency of the City's requested relief. By Interim Order issued March 29, 2016, Administrative Law Judge Mary D. Long (the "ALJ") denied UGI's Preliminary Objections.

3. The Formal Complaints of CPHD and the City were consolidated by order dated March 30, 2016.

4. Currently, the parties are due to serve exhibits and written testimony on or before February 23, 2018, and evidentiary hearings are scheduled for March 27-29, 2018.

5. UGI's understanding is that the City recently ended Eastburn & Gray, P.C.'s representation of the City in this matter. (See Motion to Stay \P 20).

6. The City's new counsel entered an appearance on January 12, 2018.

7. By letter dated February 6, 2018, the City filed an "Unopposed Motion for 60 Day Stay of Proceedings and Extension of Deadlines," requesting 60-day extensions of the deadlines testimony, exhibits, and evidentiary hearings. Further, in the Motion, the City averred that it contacted UGI's counsel and represented that the Company would not oppose the relief requested in the Motion.

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8. On February 13, 2018, the ALJ sent an email directing the Company to file a response to the City's Motion to Stay by February 15, 2018.

II. ANSWER TO MOTION TO STAY

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9. UGI does not oppose the 60-day stay of proceedings and extension of deadlines requested by the City, because the City has agreed to engage in good faith settlement negotiations with the intent of fully resolving the above-captioned proceeding.

10. Indeed, the parties are actively trying to establish dates for in-person settlement negotiations.

11. The 60-day stay of proceedings and extension of deadlines will provide additional time for the parties to try to resolve this complex proceeding without the need to incur further litigation costs.

12. For these reasons, the Company does not oppose the City's Motion to Stay.

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III. CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, UGI Utilities, Inc. does not oppose the City of Reading's Motion

for 60 Day Stay of Proceedings and Extension of Deadlines.

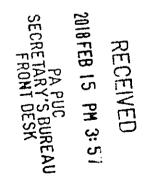
Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: February 15, 2018

Attorneys for UGI Utilities, Inc.



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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA)	
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COUNTY OF DAUPHIN)	

DEVIN T. RYAN, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that he is Counsel to UGI Utilities, Inc. and that in this capacity, he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for them, and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Devin T. Ryan, Esquire

Signed and sworn to before me on

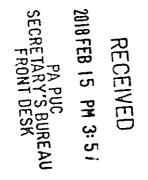
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Devin T. Ryan making statement.

Notary Public

My commission expires _ COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA NOTARIAL SEAL Carol Lee Neitzel, Notary Public (SEAL) City of Harrisburg, Dauphin County My Commission Expires April 10, 2019 WENBER, PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION OF NOTARIES



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE (Docket Nos. C-2015-2516051 and C-2016-2530475)

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

VIA E-MAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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Date: February 15, 2018

Devin T. Ryan

