BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Petition of UGI Utilities, Inc. – Electric

Division for Approval of Phase III of its

Docket No. M-2018-3004144

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan

COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY'S STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT

NOW COMES the Intervenor, the Commission on Economic Opportunity (CEO) and files this Statement in Support of the Joint Petition for Approval of Settlement in the above-captioned matter and agrees to its terms based upon the following:

- 1. CEO is a not-for-profit Pennsylvania corporation and an advocate for its clients the low-income population of Luzerne County.
- 2. CEO intervened in the above-captioned matter to address how the Company's proposal impacts residential customers and particularly low-income residential customers.
- 3. Although CEO joins in the settlement of all issues, this Statement in Support will address only those issues that CEO addressed in its intervention and testimony.
- 4. CEO supports the Joint Petition for Approval of Settlement and believes that it is in compliance with the applicable laws and regulations and serves the public interest based upon the following:
- A. The Company has agreed to include a low-income component in the Company's EE&C Plan beginning in Year 2 of the Plan. This will provide low-income customers with a greater ability to conserve energy and reduce their energy costs. These

measures will be in addition to any measures offered by the Company under its Low-Income Usage Reduction Program;

B. In the Settlement the Company provides funding for community-based organizations to market its EE&C Plan and the use of such organizations in marketing will increase the opportunity for low-income customers to benefit from the measures offered under the Plan.

WHEREFORE, the Commission on Economic Opportunity supports the proposed settlement and requests that it be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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