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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Petition of UGI Utilities, Inc. - Electric Division for Approval of Phase II of its

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan

Docket No. M-2015-2477174

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

I am delivering for filing today the Prehearing Memorandum, on behalf of the Office of Small Business Advocate, in the above-captioned proceeding.

Copies have been served on all known parties in this proceeding, as indicated on the attached Certificate of Service.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Steven C. Gray

Sincerely

Assistant Small Business Advocate

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Enclosures

cc:

The Honorable David A. Salapa

Parties of Record Robert D. Knecht

BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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PREHEARING MEMORANDUM OF THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE

I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

The Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA") is authorized to represent the interests of small business customers of utility services before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission") pursuant to the provisions of the Small Business Advocate Act, Act 181 of 1988, 73 P.S. §§ 399.41 – 399.50 ("the Act"). In order to discharge this statutory duty, the Small Business Advocate deems it necessary to participate as a party to these proceedings. Representing the OSBA in the above-referenced matter is Assistant Small Business Advocate Steven C. Gray. Please address all correspondence in that matter as follows:

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II. FILING BACKGROUND

On April 9, 2015, UGI Utilities, Inc. – Electric Division ("UGI" or the "Company") filed a Petition for Approval of Phase II of its Energy Efficiency and Conversation ("EE&C") Plan ("Petition") with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission").

The Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA") filed an Answer to the Petition and a Notice of Intervention on April 29, 2015.

III. IDENTIFICATION OF WITNESS AND TENTATIVE ISSUES

Assisting in the development and presentation of the OSBA's case in this proceeding will be:

Mr. Robert D. Knecht Industrial Economics Incorporated 2067 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge, MA 02140 (617) 354-0074 (617) 354-0463 – Fax rdk@indecon.com

The OSBA will participate in this proceeding to assure that the interests of small business customers are adequately represented and protected.

After an initial review of the materials submitted by UGI, the OSBA has identified the following list of issues that it will evaluate in this proceeding:

- 1. Whether the incentives for participation in the Company's proposed plan are unnecessarily high compared to the costs borne by the program participant, and whether such large subsidies are just and reasonable.
- 2. Whether the Company's proposed plan targets larger commercial and industrial

- ("C&I") customers to the detriment of smaller C&I customers.
- 3. Whether the Company's proposed Plan targets new customers to the detriment of existing customers.
- 4. Whether the Company has correctly performed the calculations set forth throughout the Plan, including the calculations describing the C&I "Customer Incentive" program.
- Whether the Company's proposal to subsidize multiple HVAC tune-ups should be limited to one per customer.
- 6. Whether the Company's C&I customers have actually experienced savings in Phase One of UGI's program.

The OSBA reserves the right to pursue additional issues as they arise throughout the proceeding.

IV. SERVICE OF DOCUMENTS

The OSBA requests that all parties serve a hard copy of any document filed upon the OSBA and the OSBA witness identified above. In addition to hard copies of pleadings and briefs, the OSBA requests hard copies of responses to discovery propounded by the OSBA or any other party.

V. <u>SETTLEMENT</u>

The OSBA notes its willingness to enter into settlement discussions at the appropriate phase of this proceeding.

VI. HEARING AND BRIEFING SCHEDULE

The OSBA has attached a proposed procedural schedule to this prehearing memo.

Given the Governor's requirement to limit the travel of State Offices under his jurisdiction, the OSBA respectfully requests that any hearings take place in Harrisburg.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: January 19, 2016

Proposed OSBA Procedural Schedule

UGI Direct Testimony February 24, 2016

Non-Company Direct Testimony March 30, 2016

All Party Rebuttal Testimony April 20, 2016

All Party Surrebuttal Testimony April 29, 2016

UGI Rejoinder Testimony May 4, 2016

Hearings in Harrisburg May 5 & 6, 2016

Main Brief June 7, 2016

Reply Brief June 21, 2016

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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).

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