

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-3265

Petitions of UGI Utilities Inc.,  
UGI Penn Natural Gas Inc.,  
and UGI Central Penn Gas  
Inc. for Approval of an  
Extension to their Long-Term  
Infrastructure Improvement  
Plans

Public Meeting held August 2, 2018  
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Docket Nos. P-2013-2398833  
P-2013-2397056  
P-2013-2398835

STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN GLADYS M. BROWN

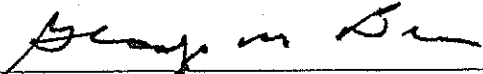
Before the Commission for consideration are the Petitions of UGI Utilities, Inc. – Gas Division, UGI Penn Natural Gas, Inc. (UGI-PNG), and UGI Central Penn Gas, Inc. (UGI-CPG) (collectively the UGI Companies) for approval of an extension to their Long-Term Infrastructure Improvement Plans (LTIIPs). The instant Petitions propose one-year extensions to the UGI Companies' existing LTIIPs to allow time for the Commission to consider their Merger Application.<sup>1</sup>

I note that UGI-PNG and UGI-CPG previously obtained approval from the Commission to waive their Distribution System Improvement Charge (DSIC) cap from 5% to 7.5% until the Companies next LTIIP filings.<sup>2</sup> I dissented in both proceedings, positing that the record did not include any facts detailing how approval of a waiver would facilitate any material benefits for UGI-PNG's and UGI-CPG's at-risk pipeline replacement, or, any other program documented under their LTIIPs.

I wish to highlight the fact that Commission approval of the instant proceedings will correspondingly lengthen the DSIC cap waiver period set by the Commission. This extension will therefore have implications on the rates for UGI-CPG, understanding that UGI-PNG has received approval of new base rates since implementing its DSIC waiver.

Nonetheless, today's proceeding is not a proper forum to rehash my concerns with the DSIC waiver. Today the question is whether or not these one-year extensions are warranted. Upon review of the record, I find the fact that these extensions could provide for administrative efficiencies depending on the outcome of the UGI Companies' pending Merger Application persuasive. Therefore, I support the LTIIP extensions proposed by the UGI Companies.

August 2, 2018  
Date

  
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Gladys M. Brown, Chairman

<sup>1</sup> See Joint Application of UGI Companies at Docket No. A-2018-3000381

<sup>2</sup> See Docket Nos. P-2016-2537594 and P-2016-2537609 respectively