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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street, 2nd Floor
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VIA HAND DELIVERY

RE: Digital 833 Chestnut, LLC v. UGI Energy Services, Inc.; Docket No. C-2008-2076623

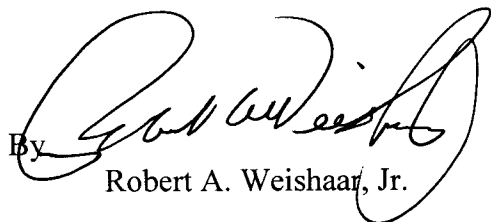
Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

On behalf of Digital 833 Chestnut, LLC, enclosed for filing with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("PUC" or "Commission") are the original and three (3) copies of the Petition For Leave To Withdraw Complaint, in the above-referenced proceeding.

As shown by the attached Certificate of Service, all parties to this proceeding are being duly served. Please date stamp an extra copy of this transmittal letter and Petition, and kindly return them for our filing purposes. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

c: Administrative Law Judge Herbert Smolen (via E-mail and First-Class Mail)
Certificate of Service

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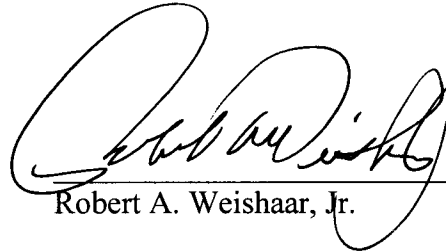
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I hereby certify that I am this day serving a true copy of the foregoing document upon the participants listed below in accordance with the requirements of Section 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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Dated this 19th day of August 2010, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

DIGITAL 833 CHESTNUT, LLC	:	
	:	
v.	:	DOCKET NO. C-2008-2076623
	:	
UGI ENERGY SERVICES, INC.	:	

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO WITHDRAW COMPLAINT

Pursuant to Section 5.94 of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Code, 52 Pa. C.S. § 5.94 Complainant Digital 833 Chestnut, LLC ("Digital 833" or "Complainant") respectfully petitions the Commission for leave to dismiss its Complaint against UGI Energy Services, Inc., without prejudice to refiling.

I. Procedural History

On November 18, 2008, Digital 833 filed a formal complaint ("Complaint"). against PECO Energy Company ("PECO"), Philadelphia Gas Works, and UGI Energy Services, Inc. ("UGIES")(collectively "Respondents"). The Original Complaint was separated and docketed as three individual proceedings. After several months of litigation, Respondents filed motions to dismiss the Original Complaint, and the Administrative Law Judge assigned to the Original Complaint issued his Initial Decision on July 17, 2009, granting the motions to dismiss. On March 25, 2010, the Commission issued its Opinion and Order, reversing the July 17 Initial Decision and remanding for further proceedings.

On June 23, 2010, Respondents and Complainant appeared before Administrative Law Judge Herbert Smolen, who convened a Prehearing Conference to discuss all pending matters and adopt a procedural schedule. On July 21, 2010, Judge Smolen issued a Prehearing Order to govern this proceeding.

II. Factual Background for UGIES

UGIES was the Natural Gas Supplier ("NGS") responsible for supplying natural gas to the property from which Complainant received gas service. Prior to November 2, 2005, Complainant was responsible for payment of all of its natural gas bills. However, on November 2, 2005, Complainant, through its property manager at the time, PAMI Renaissance Properties, Inc., entered into a contract with Celeren Corporation ("Celeren"). Complainant would make agreed-upon flat monthly payments to Celeren in lieu of paying the natural gas bills directly. Celeren would then pay the actual amount of the natural gas bills to the various Respondents, including UGIES. However, by early 2008, unbeknownst to Complainant, Celeren began failing to pay the energy bills to Respondents. Complainant was subsequently forced to directly pay the Respondents, including UGIES, even though Complainant had already paid Celeren those amounts.

The crux of the Original Complaint against Respondents was that they should have known and understood that Celeren was responsible for remitting payment for the gas and electric service for Complainant's account. Respondents knew and should have promptly informed Complainant that Celeren was not timely making payment. Based upon these facts, Complainants allege that Respondents, including UGIES, breached duties owed to Complainant under Pennsylvania law and Commission regulations, and that Complainant is entitled refunds of the payments made to Respondents to cover Celeren's delinquency. In short, Complainants were forced to double-pay for utility and supplier services because the utilities and suppliers did not take the required steps to cease Complainant's payments to Celeren and redirect those payments directly to Respondents.

III. Petition to Withdraw

Pursuant to the Procedural Order issued by Administrative Law Judge Smolen, the parties have engaged in discovery, and some additional facts have come to light as a result.

Nevertheless, in the course of reviewing the available documents, it has become clear that Celeren's role in the legal and factual issues is essential to Complainant's allegations with respect to UGIES, and that more information and documentation is necessary in order to conclusively prove the merits of Complainant's position. However, Celeren is currently engaged in federal bankruptcy proceedings, affording Celeren significant protections, including some that preclude Complainants from obtaining documentation—or relief—from Celeren. It is Complainant's belief that, absent the critical information held by Celeren over the period in question, adequate support for Complainant's legal and factual assertions may not exist at this time.

Section 5.94 of the Public Utility Pennsylvania Code, § 5.94, provides that:

a party desiring to withdraw a pleading in a contested proceeding may file a petition for leave to withdraw the appropriate document with the Commission and serve it upon the other parties. The petition must set forth the reasons for the withdrawal. A party may object to the petition within 20 days of service. After considering the petition, an objection thereto and the public interest, the presiding officer or the Commission will determine whether the withdrawal will be permitted.

While many questions have been answered and information supplemented by the discovery obtained thus far from UGIES, the legal impediments preventing Complainant from having access to information held by Celeren has effectively foreclosed a meaningful opportunity for Complainant to fully develop its complaint against UGIES. For this reason, Complainant respectfully petitions the Commission for leave to withdraw its Complaint with respect to UGIES at this time.

However, Complainant is not in any fashion stipulating that the legal and factual grounds upon which its Complaint are based lack merit and strongly urges the Commission to permit Complainant to withdraw the Complaint without prejudice to later refiling, if it is determined that sufficient additional facts so warrant. Neither Complainant nor Respondents will be unduly burdened by a withdrawal of the Complaint at this stage in the proceeding, and whether or not the Complaint is revived at a later date will be determined, in the interest of justice and equity, only after the protections currently afforded Celeren permit a full and robust record. Complainant, therefore, respectfully requests that the Commission grant its petition for leave to withdraw this Complaint without prejudice to refiling at a later date.

IV. Conclusion

WHEREFORE, Digital 833 Chestnut, LLC respectfully requests that it be permitted to withdraw its complaint against UGI Energy Services, Inc. without prejudice to later refiling.

Respectfully submitted,

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