

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**  
**Harrisburg, PA 17105**

**Application of UGI Penn Natural Gas, Inc.  
For Approval of the Transfer by Sale of  
A 9.0 Mile Natural Gas Pipeline, Appurtenant  
Facilities and Right of Way located in  
Mehoopany, Pennsylvania**

**Public Meeting – July 14, 2011  
2213893-OSA  
Docket No. A-2010-2213893**

**Affiliated Interest Filing of UGI Penn  
Natural Gas, Inc.**

**Docket No. G-2010-2213894**

**STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER PAMELA A. WITMER**

Before us today for disposition are the Exceptions of the Office of Small Business Advocate (OSBA) to the Recommended Decision of Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Dennis J. Buckley issued on May 12, 2011 in the above captioned matter. The ALJ approved a settlement reached by certain parties in the case, granted the application herein and approved UGI Penn Natural Gas, Inc.'s Affiliated Interest Filing. The settlement before the Commission is to permit the transfer by sale of the natural gas pipeline known as the Auburn Line in order that the gas in the Auburn Line will come from Marcellus Shale wells on and around the property of Procter & Gamble and not from the Tennessee Gas Pipeline. The Marcellus Shale gas will be produced by Citrus Energy Corporation.

I support the approval of this transaction today because it represents the utilization of Marcellus Shale gas in meeting the energy needs of Pennsylvania's businesses and residents. I am pleased to see that Procter & Gamble, which has a large facility in the Commonwealth, is taking advantage of meeting its energy needs with gas produced by Pennsylvania Marcellus Shale wells. I believe that the approval of this settlement and proposed transaction will aid in facilitating the development of Marcellus Shale gas as well as produce benefits to the local economy and environment. Further, I anticipate and look forward to seeing other Pennsylvania companies add Marcellus Shale gas as a reliable source to their energy portfolio so that cost savings and public benefits flow through to facilities, employees and consumers. I believe that, over time, utilizing this Pennsylvania resource in the energy supply of companies located in the Commonwealth will have a direct impact on expanding the economic base in our state.

**July 14, 2011**

**DATE**



**PAMELA A. WITMER, COMMISSIONER**