COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA



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October 11, 2011

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary PA Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Bldg. 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re:

Daniel L. Pope

V.

UGI Penn Natural Gas, Inc. Docket No. C-2011-2258722

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing please find the Notice of Intervention and Public Statement of the Office of Consumer Advocate in the above-referenced proceeding.

Copies have been served upon all parties of record as shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely yours,

Dianne E. Dusman

Senior Assistant Consumer Advocate

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Enclosures

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Certificate of Service

Office of Administrative Law Judge

Office of Special Assistants

Bureau of Technical Utility Services

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Daniel Pope

V.

Docket No. C-2011-2258722

UGI Penn Natural Gas, Inc.

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION OF THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE

Pursuant to 71 P.S. § 309-4 and 52 Pa. Code § 5.71(a)(1), the Office of Consumer Advocate hereby gives Notice of Intervention in the above-captioned proceeding. A copy of all correspondence and notice, documents, orders or other communications with respect to the above-captioned proceeding should be addressed to the following:

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Respectfully submitted,

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Senior Assistant Consumer Advocate

DATED: Oct

October 11, 2011

PUBLIC STATEMENT OF THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE PURSUANT TO 71 P.S. SECTION 309-4(e)

Act 161 of the Pennsylvania General Assembly, 71 P.S. Section 309-2, as enacted July 9, 1976, authorizes the Consumer Advocate to represent the interests of consumers before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission). In accordance with Act 161, and for the following reasons, the Consumer Advocate determined to file an Intervention and participate in proceedings before the Commission involving Daniel Pope's complaint concerning PNG's proposed rate increase for Gas Beyond the Mains (GBM) customers.

On August 19, 2011 Mr. Pope filed a complaint with the Commission protesting UGI Penn Natural Gas's (PNG) proposed phase-out of the GBM program. Mr. Pope alleged that in 1966 PNG's predecessor, Pennsylvania Gas and Water Co. (PGW), promised to provide propane at natural gas rates until PGW extended gas mains to his home. Accordingly, Mr. Pope now requests that PNG continue to supply propane at natural gas rates until PNG provides natural gas service to his neighborhood. Through its participation in this proceeding, the OCA seeks to ensure that the interests of Mr. Pope and other similarly situated customers are duly considered. In addition, the OCA will work to ensure that Mr. Pope's complaint concerning PNG's rate proposed rate increase is handled in accordance with Pennsylvania law.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

DANIEL L. POPE

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I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing Notice of Intervention and Public Statement upon parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code §1.54 (relating to service by a participant), in the manner and upon the persons listed below:

Dated this 11th day of October 2011.

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