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|  | **PENNSYLVANIA**  **PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**  **Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265** | | | |  |
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|  | | Public Meeting held January 9, 2014 | | | |
| Commissioners Present: | | |  | | |
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| Robert F. Powelson, Chairman  John F. Coleman, Jr., Vice Chairman  James H. Cawley  Pamela A. Witmer  Gladys M. Brown | | | | | |
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| Application of Guttman Energy, Inc. to amend its Natural Gas Supplier license by adding service territories | | | | A-2013-2374950 | |
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**ORDER**

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

On October 31, 2013, Guttman Energy Inc. (Guttman) was approved for a License Application to operate as a supplier of natural gas services to small commercial (under 6,000 Mcf demand), large commercial (6,000 Mcf or more annually), industrial and governmental customers in the natural gas distribution company (NGDC) service territories of Peoples Natural Gas Company and Peoples TWP LLC in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In its current filing, dated November 13, 2013, Guttman is requesting the addition of Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Equitable Gas Company, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation and Philadelphia Gas Works to its NGDC service territories. This request for an amendment was filed pursuant to section 2208 of the Natural Gas Choice and Competition Act (Act) and Title 52, Chapter 62, Subchapter D.

Guttman has stated that upon approval of this Application, it proposes to provide natural gas supply services as a supplier, broker/marketer and aggregator to small commercial (under 6,000 Mcf demand), large commercial (6,000 Mcf or more annually), industrial and governmental customers.

Section 2208(c) (1), 66 Pa. C.S. §2208(c) (1), provides that a natural gas supplier license shall not be issued unless the applicant furnishes a bond or other security in a form and amount to ensure its financial responsibility. The criteria used to establish the form and amount of the bond or other security is set forth in the natural gas distribution company’s tariff. The amount and form of the bond or other security may also be mutually agreed to between the natural gas distribution company and the natural gas supplier. Section 2208 also provides that should the parties fail to achieve an agreement, then the form and amount of bond or other financial security “shall be determined by criteria approved by the Commission.” Guttman has provided documentation to evidence its compliance with the Section 2208(c) bonding requirement for the additional natural gas distribution company service territories: Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Equitable Gas Company, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation and Philadelphia Gas Works within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Guttman Energy has published notice of its application request for additional territories in Pennsylvania newspapers, and proofs of service to the interested parties as required by the Commission.

Guttman has provided the required Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) contact information.

As of December 30, 2013, no protests have been filed.

We find that Guttman Energy Inc.:

1. Is fit, willing and able to properly perform the service proposed in conformance with applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code and the Commission orders and regulations, specifically including 52 Pa. Code Chapter 56 (relating to Standards and Billing Practices for Residential Utility Service).

2. Has agreed to abide by all Commission regulations, and special conditions outlined in the order dated July 19, 2012, including Emergency Orders, which may be issued verbally or in writing during any emergency situations that may develop from time to time in the course of doing business in Pennsylvania.

3. Has proposed to offer natural gas supply services which, to the extent authorized by the license, will be consistent with the public interest and the policy declared in the Natural Gas Choice and Competition Act.

Upon full consideration of all matters of record, we find that approval of this application is necessary and proper for the service, accommodation and convenience of the public; **THEREFORE,**

**IT IS ORDERED:**

1. That Guttman Energy Inc. request for additional territories is hereby approved, consistent with this Order.

2. That a license be issued authorizing Guttman Energy Inc. the right to begin to offer, render, furnish or supply natural gas supply services as a supplier, broker/marketer, and aggregator to the public, limited to small commercial (under 6,000 Mcf demand), large commercial (6,000 Mcf or more annually), industrial and governmental customers in the natural gas distribution company service territories of Peoples Natural Gas Company LLC, Peoples TWP LLC, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Equitable Gas Company, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation and Philadelphia Gas Works within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

3. That this proceeding, at Docket No. A-2013-2374950 be closed.

 **BY THE COMMISSION,**

Rosemary Chiavetta

Secretary

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ORDER ADOPTED: January 9, 2014

ORDER ENTERED: January 9, 2014