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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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December 10, 2015

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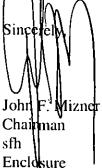
Re: Regulation #57-297 (IRRC #3038) (L-2013-2346923) Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Recovery of Fuel Costs by Gas Utilities

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Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our order is enclosed and will be available on our website at <u>www.irrc.state.pa.us</u>.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.



- cc: Honorable Robert M. Tomlinson, Majority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee
 - Honorable Lisa M. Boscola, Minority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Robert W. Godshall, Majority Chairman, House Consumer Affairs Committee Honorable Peter J. Daley, II, Minority Chairman, House Consumer Affairs Committee

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held December 10, 2015

John F. Mizner, Esq., Chairman George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman W. Russell Faber Murray Ufberg, Esq. Dennis A. Watson, Esq.

Regulation No. 57-297 (#3038) Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Recovery of Fuel Costs by Gas Utilities

On October 17, 2013, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC). This rulemaking amends 52 Pa. Code Chapter 53. The proposed regulation was published in the November 2, 2013 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 45-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on November 9, 2015.

This regulation consolidates the classifications of small gas utilities, and amends their Gas Cost Rate calculations and filing requirements.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the PUC (66 Pa. C.S. §§ 501, 504,523, 1301, 1307, and 1501) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.



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