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> RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc.; Docket No. R-2021-3024296; AMENDED PETITION TO INTERVENE OF SHIPLEY CHOICE, LLC AND THE RETAIL ENERGY SUPPLY ASSOCIATION

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission is the Amended Petition to Intervene of Shipley Choice, LLC, and the Retail Energy Supply Association (collectively "Shipley/RESA") in the above-captioned docket. Copies of this Amended Petition have been served in accordance with the attached Certificate of Service.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions related to this filing, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the

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#### BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,

v.

Docket No. R-2021-3024296

Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc.

# AMENDED PETITION TO INTERVENE OF SHIPLEY CHOICE, LLC AND THE RETAIL ENERGY SUPPLY ASSOCIATION

NOW COMES Shipley Choice, LLC d/b/a Shipley Energy ("Shipley") and the Retail Energy Supply Association ("RESA")(collectively "Shipley/RESA"), and hereby petition the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission") to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §5.71. *et. seq.* As discussed more fully below, Shipley is a licensed natural gas supplier ("NGS") providing natural gas supply service using the jurisdictional facilities of Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. (the "Company") or ("Columbia"), and RESA is a trade association that has members that are NGSs and which represents the interests of its members.<sup>1</sup> In support of their Joint Petition to Intervene, Shipley/RESA state and aver as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The positions expressed in this filing represent the position of the Retail Energy Supply Association (RESA) as an organization but may not represent the views of any particular member of the Association. Founded in 1990, RESA is a broad and diverse group of retail energy suppliers dedicated to promoting efficient, sustainable and customer-oriented competitive retail energy markets. RESA members operate throughout the United States delivering valueadded electricity and natural gas service at retail to residential, commercial and industrial energy customers. More information on RESA can be found at <u>www.resausa.org</u>.

1. On or about March 29, 2021, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. ("Columbia") filed with the Commission a request to increase base rates by \$98.3 million.

2. On or about April 16, 2021, Shipley and Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. ("IGS") filed a Petition to Intervene in this matter. The purpose of this Amendment is to remove IGS individually from the Petition to Intervene and to substitute RESA in its place. Shipley is a licensed natural gas supplier providing service in the Columbia of Pennsylvania service territory; RESA is a trade association that represents the interests of natural gas suppliers before the Commission. Shipley/RESA are represented in the above-captioned matter by the following counsel:

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3. Both Shipley and RESA members currently serve customers throughout the spectrum of customer classes on the Columbia system, including residential, commercial and industrial customers.<sup>2</sup> As such, Shipley and RESA have a direct and immediate interest in any modifications to any tariff which could impact their ability to serve those customers and they have a clear interest in any tariff provisions, whether new or existing, that directly have impacted their ability to reasonably and fairly serve customers on the Columbia system.

4. Among other aspects of the filing, Columbia proposes increases to the rates for Riders GPC and MFC. Shipley/RESA's primary concern, however, is Columbia's reaction to the recent events prompted by the currently pending FERC rate case of Columbia Gas Transmission

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A list of RESAs members is available at: <u>http://www.resausa.org/members</u>.

("TCO") and TCO's proposed and now effective balancing requirements. TCO delivers about 80% of Columbia's design day supply and so any changes, let alone the new and drastic changes in its transport requirements will, in turn, almost certainly impose new requirements for suppliers serving customers on the Columbia system.

5. While the scope and substance of any adjustments that Columbia might seek to impose as a consequence of the resolution of the TCO rate case are the primary concern of Shipley/RESA, Shipley/RESA are still completing their final review of the rate filing and have not yet taken any specific positions on any other issues. Shipley/RESA will be prepared to state any other positions more fully at the time of the prehearing conference.

6. Because both Shipley and RESA members are NGSs operating on the Columbia system, where they are licensed and serve significant numbers of customers, they have a direct and immediate interest that is substantial and cannot be represented by any other party to this proceeding, and they clearly will be bound by any decision that the Commission might make about Columbia's requested rate increase and any accompanying tariff changes. RESA also has an independent interest as an association representing natural gas suppliers to ensure that tariffs and rules for all NGDCs in the Commonwealth are conducive to fair and effective competition. Therefore, Shipley and RESA request that their joint intervention be granted and that they be allowed full party status in this matter.

**WHEREFORE,** Shipley and RESA hereby petition the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission to intervene in the above-captioned matter and request full party status.

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