

**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission	:	R-2024-3048828
Office of Consumer Advocate	:	C-2024-3049086
Office of Small Business Advocate	:	C-2024-3049499
Brian Dugas	:	C-2024-3049100
Jean Suitch	:	C-2024-3049239
Paula Mercuri	:	C-2024-3049667
Juan Ramos	:	C-2024-3049558
Louis Kern	:	C-2024-3049789
Anthony Debellis	:	C-2024-3049790
David Beedleemann	:	C-2024-3049797
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v.	:	
	:	
UGI Utilities, Inc. – Gas Division	:	
1307(f) Proceeding	:	

**INTERIM ORDER**  
**SUSPENDING LITIGATION SCHEDULE**

This Order is issued pursuant to the authority granted to presiding officers by 52 Pa. Code § 5.483 to regulate the course of the proceeding.

**SUMMARY HISTORY OF THE PROCEEDING**

On May 1, 2024, UGI Utilities, Inc. – Gas Division (UGI) filed preliminary supporting information for its 2024 Purchased Gas Cost (PGC) Filing. UGI’s proposed purchased gas cost tariff and all required supporting information, including Direct Testimony, was filed May 31, 2024.

On May 17, 2024, the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) filed a Formal Complaint and Public Statement in this matter. This was accompanied by a Notice of Appearance for Melanie J. El Atieh, Esquire, and Emily A. Farren, Esquire.

On May 22, 2024, Steven C. Gray, Esquire, filed a Notice of Appearance on behalf of the Office of Small Business Advocate (OSBA).

On June 4, 2024, Scott C. Granger, Esquire, filed a Notice of Appearance on behalf of the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (I&E).

On June 10, 2024, OSBA filed a Formal Complaint and Public Statement in this matter.

Also on June 10, 2024, a Notice was served establishing a telephonic prehearing conference for this matter for June 28, 2024, and assigning Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) Dennis J. Buckley and Alphonso Arnold III as the presiding officers to this proceeding.

On June 12, 2024, a Notice was served rescheduling the telephonic prehearing conference to June 14, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.

Also on June 12, 2024, an initial Prehearing Order was served, setting forth the scope of the conference. The Order directed the parties to file prehearing memoranda by June 13, 2024.

On June 13, 2024, UGI, OCA, OSBA, and I&E filed prehearing memoranda.

On June 14, 2024, a telephonic prehearing conference was held. Counsel for UGI, OCA, OSBA, and I&E were present for the conference. Brian Dugas, a customer Complainant, appeared at the conference representing himself. Several procedural matters were discussed during the conference, and a litigation schedule was established.

On June 26, 2024, a Post Conference Order was served, adopting the litigation schedule and modifications to the Commission's discovery regulations agreed upon by the parties.

On June 27, 2024, a Notice was served scheduling a telephonic evidentiary hearing in this matter for July 25, 2024.

On July 24, 2024, the active parties in this case advised the presiding officers that a settlement in principle had been reached and requested suspension of the litigation schedule.

On July 25, 2024, the active parties in this case advised the presiding officers that they had no objection to the consolidation of cases for decision.

The July 25, 2024, evidentiary hearing was cancelled through a Notice served July 24, 2024.

On July 26, 2024, an Order was issued consolidating the proceedings at Docket Nos. R-2024-3048828, C-2024-3049086, and C-2024-3049499 for resolution.

#### DISCUSSION

This Order suspends the litigation schedule in this matter and addresses other procedural matters.

**NOTE: Unless otherwise noted, any and all requirements of this Order apply only to UGI and the public advocates: the OCA, OSBA, and I&E (the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement). The following customer Complainant's are not required to take any action relative to this Order.**

Brian Dugas	C-2024-3049100
Jean Switch	C-2024-3049239
Paula Mercuri	C-2024-3049667
Juan Ramos	C-2024-3049558
Louis Kern	C-2024-3049789

Anthony Debellis     C-2024-3049790  
David Beedlemann    C-2024-3049797

You will each be provided with a copy of the proposed Joint Settlement when it is filed by the parties. IF, AFTER REVIEWING THE PROPOSED JOINT SETTLEMENT, YOU HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO THE PROPOSED JOINT SETTLEMENT, YOU MUST FILE THE OBJECTION AND AN EXPLANATION OF THE REASON(S) FOR YOUR OBJECTION WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION BY AUGUST 23, 2024.

Finally, the active parties are reminded to file separate supporting statements. These statements must set forth reasons why the proposed Settlement is in the public interest beyond a recitation that the proposed Settlement is an efficient use of resources and saves the costs of litigation.

ORDER

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the litigation schedule established in this matter is suspended.
2. That a fully executed proposed Joint Settlement, accompanied by substantive Statements in Support from all signatories, shall be filed on August 14, 2024.
3. That a copy of the proposed Joint Settlement shall be provided to all consumer Complainants in this proceeding, as listed above, and consumer Complainants shall be given the opportunity to address the Settlement as set forth in this Order.



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