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PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
COMMONWEALTH KEYSTONE BUILDING
400 NORTH STREET
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120
December 16, 2025

Docket No. G-2015-2468175
Utility Code: 121180

JAMES L CRIST PE
LUMEN GROUP INC
4226 YARMOUTH DR STE 101
ALLISON PARK PA 15101

Re: Amendment to the Affiliated Interest Agreement between Herman Oil & Gas LLC and SME Well Services LLC

Dear Mr. Crist:

On September 30, 2025, Herman Oil & Gas LLC (Herman Gas) filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, pursuant to 66 Pa. C.S. §§ 2101-2107, the above-referenced Amendment to its Affiliated Interest Agreement (AIA or Agreement). By Secretarial Letter dated October 9, 2025, the Commission extended the statutory consideration period for this Agreement until further action of the Commission.

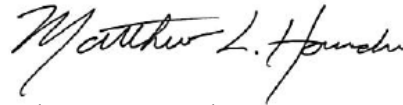
The proposed Amendment with SME Well Services LLC (SME) seeks approval for the sale and delivery of natural gas from SME to Herman Gas. Herman Gas is a certificated public utility. SME is a non-regulated entity. Herman Gas and SME are affiliated interests, as defined under 66 Pa. C.S. § 2101, because of their common ownership by Andrew E. Smith.

Under the terms of the proposed Amendment, Herman Gas will purchase approximately 95% of the natural gas required to meet its customer demand from SME, with the remaining supply consisting of approximately 5% from an unaffiliated primary supplier, Peoples Natural Gas Company, LLC (Peoples). Consistent with the previously approved AIA, the Amendment provides that Herman Gas shall pay SME no more than 97% of the price Herman Gas pays for gas purchased from Peoples.

The term of the Amendment to the Agreement is one year, commencing upon the date of Commission approval, and shall automatically renew on a year-to-year basis thereafter, unless amended by Herman Gas in accordance with the provisions in the Agreement.

Upon review of the filing, it does not appear that the Agreement is unreasonable or contrary to the public interest. Therefore, the AIA is hereby approved. This approval will apply only to this Agreement, gas purchases, matters, and parties specifically and clearly defined under this instant proceeding as well as under any associated and previously filed filings. However, approval of this filing does not constitute a determination that the associated costs or expenses are reasonable or prudent for the purpose of determining just and reasonable rates. Furthermore, the Commission's approval is contingent upon the possibility that subsequent audits, reviews and inquiries in any Commission proceeding may be conducted, pursuant to 66 Pa. C.S. §§ 2102, *et seq.*

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew L. Homsher". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "M".

Matthew L. Homsher
Secretary