

COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO, INC.
EMERGENCY CURTAILMENT PLAN
SEPTEMBER 1, 2013

Pursuant to the provisions of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 4901:5-25, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. ("Columbia") shall implement the following curtailment plan ("Plan") in response to a gas emergency that has been declared by the governor, at the directive of the Commission, or in response to a natural gas supply disruption that may affect service to a substantial number of customers. The terms and rate schedules referenced in this Plan are all as defined in Columbia's Tariff. As used herein, the word "curtail" means to cut-off; abbreviate; lessen or reduce the delivery of gas to lower priority customer(s) in an emergency in order to maintain service to a higher priority group of customers.

Columbia will attempt to minimize the curtailment of higher priority customers resulting from temporary or long-term gas supply disruptions. Curtailment may be limited to a specific local usage area or may be statewide. The continuation of service to a lower priority class of customers in other local service areas may take place in those instances where curtailment is limited to a local usage area. Columbia's curtailment of each class of customers will be performed based on the priority of service associated with each rate class and rate schedule under which service is being provided. This Curtailment Interruption Sequence is as follows:

- Stage 1** Columbia will interrupt its delivery of all Gas Transportation Service volumes that exceed the affected Customers' Authorized Daily Volumes. Columbia may, at its option, invoke such interruption to its Large General Transportation Service Customers prior to imposing a similar requirement on its Small General Service Transportation Service Customers and General Transportation Service Customers.
- Stage 2** Columbia will curtail volumes consumed by or delivered to customers under rate schedules Large General Service, Full Requirements Large General Transportation Service and Large General Transportation Service. During Stage 2, Columbia will not curtail volumes consumed by or delivered to Human Needs Customers.

- Stage 3** Columbia will curtail volumes consumed by or delivered to customers under rate schedules General Service, Full Requirements General Transportation Service, Full Requirements Cooperative Transportation Service and General Transportation Service. During Stage 3, Columbia will not curtail volumes consumed by or delivered to Human Needs Customers.
- Stage 4** Columbia will curtail customer-contracted volumes deliverable under Columbia's Backup Service. During Stage 4, Columbia will not curtail volumes consumed by or delivered to Human Needs Customers.
- Stage 5** Columbia will curtail volumes consumed by or delivered to customers under rate schedules Small General Service, Small General Transportation Service and Full Requirements Small General Transportation Service. During Stage 5, Columbia will not curtail volumes consumed by or delivered to Human Needs Customers.
- Stage 6** Only when necessary, Columbia will curtail volumes consumed by or delivered to Human Needs Customers.

During periods of curtailment of customers resulting from temporary or long-term gas supply disruptions, Columbia may divert gas supplies delivered into its system by a lower priority customer, or class of customers, to a higher priority group of customers to minimize the impact of the curtailment on the higher priority group of customers. In the absence of a contractual agreement for the purchase of this gas Columbia will reimburse the customer or its supplier for the cost of gas that was diverted at a rate equal to 110% of the TCO Daily Index price, as reported in *Platts Inside FERC Gas Market Report* for the applicable day for "Columbia Gas Appalachia" under the heading "Midpoint."

There is no differentiation in the Plan between supply-related and capacity-related scenarios because both situations have a similar impact with regard to potential disruptions of service. There is no differentiation in the Plan between a customer class based upon the supplier of the commodity apart from supplier performance issues that may affect service to customers receiving service under the aforementioned rate schedules.

The sequential implementation of Stages 5 and 6, as previously identified, shall occur only after all reasonable efforts have been made to implement Stages 1 through 4 as part of Columbia's efforts to restore or maintain operating pressures in the affected areas of Columbia's system. In the event implementing Stages 5 and 6 is deemed necessary, Columbia shall utilize appropriate media and governmental resources to request voluntary reductions in usage and/or curtailments by all affected customers, with particular emphasis on customer usage that is not categorized as Human Needs.