

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR)
APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION) PSC DOCKET NO. 13-383
AND BALANCING RIDER AND THE GAS SUPPLIER)
SCHEDULE OF ITS TARIFF)
(FILED OCTOBER 1,2013))

ORDER No. 8511

FOR ADMISSION AS AN INTERVENOR

AND NOW, this 8th day of January, 2014, pursuant to the authority granted to me in PSC Order No. 8481 dated November 5, 2013, this Hearing Examiner having considered the Petition for Leave to Intervene ("the Petition") filed by the Washington Gas Energy Services, Inc. ("WGES") on December 18, 2013, and there being no objection thereto filed by any party of record;

NOW, THEREFORE,

1. The Petition is granted.
2. In PSC Order No. 8481, the Commission ordered that the deadline for filing petitions for intervention was December 18, 2013. (See Order, ¶8.)
3. Thus, WGES' Petition to Intervene was timely filed. No party has opposed WGES' intervention.
4. In its Petition, WGES describes its unique interest in this docket as follows:

WGES serves large and intermediate industrial commercial customers who are transportation customers of Chesapeake under the Transportation and Gas Supplier Schedule. These customers will be directly affected by Chesapeake's proposed changes to its Tariff as will WGES in serving them. Chesapeake proposes to assign pipeline capacity that it claims it no longer needs to serve its firm residential and commercial utility sales customers to its transportation customers even though these customers have no need of that capacity to receive service from suppliers like WGES.

WGES intends to file comments objecting to Chesapeake's proposed tariff changes, which would saddle transportation customers with unneeded upstream pipeline capacity they have heretofore not had to pay for. Such changes will adversely impact the competitive gas supply market in Delaware, which transportation customers now can access to achieve energy savings and choices. WGES further intends to participate in the workshops that Staff will schedule and in any formal proceeding that will ensue.

5. For purposes of considering the merits of WGES' Petition, I assume as true the representations made in WGES' Petition. Specifically, WGES has adequately alleged that it has particularized expertise and experience which may be valuable to the Commission in deciding the issues in this docket. Thus, WGES has satisfied the intervention requirements of Rule 21 of the Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.

Now, therefore, **IT IS ORDERED:**

1. Accordingly, the Petition for Intervention filed by the Washington Gas Energy Services, Inc. ("WGES") is **GRANTED**.

2. WGES shall be added to the Service List for this Docket.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

/s/ Mark Lawrence
Mark Lawrence
Hearing Examiner