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STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, *ex rel.*
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

v.

CASE NO. URS-2013-00173

ROANOKE GAS COMPANY,
Defendant

FINAL ORDER

By entry of the Order of Settlement ("Settlement Order") dated October 1, 2013, the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") accepted the offer of settlement of Roanoke Gas Company ("RGC" or "Company") for alleged violations of the minimum gas pipeline safety standards,¹ which the Commission is authorized to enforce under § 56-257.2 *et seq.* of the Code of Virginia. The Commission retained jurisdiction of this case.

Undertaking Paragraph (1) of the Settlement Order required RGC to pay a fine of One Hundred Twenty-three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$123,750), of which Thirty-six Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$36,150) was paid contemporaneously with the entry of the Settlement Order and provided that the remaining Eighty-seven Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$87,600) could be suspended and subsequently vacated, in whole or in part, by the Commission upon the RGC's compliance with the provisions of the Settlement Order.

Undertaking Paragraph (2) of the Settlement Order required that the Company complete various remedial actions. The Settlement Order also directed the Company to provide an

¹ See Parts 191, 192, 193, and 199 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

affidavit executed by the president of RGC certifying that the Company had completed the remedial measures required by Undertaking Paragraph (2) of the Settlement Order.

By Order entered on November 25, 2015, the Commission granted the Company an extension of time to comply with the Settlement Order until December 31, 2016, with documentation of compliance to be filed with the Commission no later than January 15, 2017. The Company has fully complied with the terms and undertakings as outlined in the Settlement Order, and an affidavit documenting that the specified remedial actions have been completed was filed with the Commission on January 10, 2017.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the foregoing, is of the opinion and finds that the remaining balance of Eighty-seven Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$87,600) of the penalty should be vacated, and this case should be dismissed.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The remaining penalty balance of Eighty-seven Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$87,600) shall be vacated.

(2) This case is hereby dismissed from the Commission's docket of active cases, and the papers filed herein shall be placed in the file for ended causes.

AN ATTESTED COPY hereof shall be sent by the Clerk of the Commission to:

John D'Orazio, President, Roanoke Gas Company, P.O. Box 13007, Roanoke, Virginia 24030;

Timothy E. Biller, Esquire, Hunton & Williams LLP, Riverfront Plaza, East Tower, 951 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219; and a copy shall be delivered to the Commission's Office of General Counsel, Office of the Commission Comptroller, and Divisions of Utility and Railroad Safety and Utility Accounting and Finance.