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Spark Energy Gas, LP)
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Petition for Relief to Protect Spark)
Energy Gas, LP's Annual Dekatherm)
Report From Public Disclosure)

CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE
Docket No. 10- 0165

PETITION

Spark Energy Gas, LP ("Spark") hereby petitions the Illinois Commerce Commission ("Commission") pursuant to Section 200.430 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (83 Ill. Admin. Code 200.430) for relief to protect from disclosure for not less than two years, highly confidential and proprietary information included in its Dekatherm Report for 2009 pursuant to Section 551.170 of 83 Ill. Adm. Code 551 ("Dekatherm Report"). In support of the instant Petition, Spark states as follows:

1. Spark was certified by the Commission as an Alternative Gas Supplier ("AGS") in the State of Illinois in Docket No. 04-0069 on March 3, 2004.

2. Concurrently with this Petition, Spark has filed its Dekatherm Report with the Chief Clerk of the Commission. A redacted version of the Dekatherm Report is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

3. Spark's Dekatherm Report includes confidential and proprietary information regarding the amount of gas sold in the State of Illinois in the prior calendar year and the revenue associated with those sales. Spark considers this information to be highly confidential and proprietary information, the disclosure of which to competitors, or potential competitors, would be detrimental to Spark.

4. The retail gas service industry is highly competitive, and it is imperative that public disclosure of confidential information contained in the Dekatherm Report be avoided for a period of at least two years because of the competitive harm that disclosure of such information likely would cause Spark.

5. 83 Ill. Adm. Code Section 551.60 provides, in pertinent part, that: "If an applicant or AGS believes any of the information to be disclosed by an applicant or AGS is privileged or confidential, the applicant or AGS should request that the Commission enter an order to protect the confidential, proprietary or trade secret nature of any data, information or studies pursuant to 83 Ill. Adm. Code 200.430."

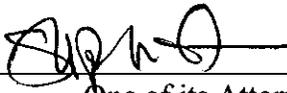
6. Moreover, Section 7(g) of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/7(g), exempts from public disclosure "[t]rade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person or business where the trade secrets or information are proprietary, privileged or confidential, or where disclosure of the trade secrets or information may cause competitive harm." The commercial and financial information contained in Spark's Dekatherm Report fall within this exemption.

7. Spark seeks an Order from the Commission, without hearing, protecting Spark's Dekatherm Report from disclosure for a period of not less than two years.

WHEREFORE, Spark Energy Gas, LP respectfully requests that the Commission enter an Order, without hearing, protecting Spark's Dekatherm Report from disclosure for a period of not less than two years.

Respectfully submitted,

SPARK ENERGY GAS, LP

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**SPARK ENERGY GAS, LP
IL 2009 REVENUE SUMMARY
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009**

Year 2009

Peoples / NorthShore Gas

Resi. Sales	_____
Resi. Retail Dth	_____
Comm. Sales	_____
Comm. Retail Dth	_____

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Resi. Sales	_____
Resi. Retail Dth	_____
Comm. Sales	_____
Comm. Retail Dth	_____

Total

Resi. Sales	_____
Resi. Retail Dth	_____
Comm. Sales	_____
Comm. Retail Dth	_____