

STATE OF ILLINOIS

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

Illinois Commerce Commission)	
on its own motion)	
)	Docket No. 01-0705
Northern Illinois Gas Company d/b/a NICOR)	
Gas Company)	
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Reconciliation of Revenues collected under)	
Gas Adjustment Charges with Actual Costs)	
prudently incurred)	
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Illinois Commerce Commission)	
on its own motion)	
)	Docket No. 02-0067
Northern Illinois Gas Company d/b/a NICOR)	
Gas Company)	
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Proceeding to review Rider 4, Gas Cost, pursuant)	
to Section 9-244(c) of the Public Utilities Act)	
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Illinois Commerce Commission)	
on its own motion)	
)	Docket No. 02-0725
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FIRST STIPULATION

It is hereby stipulated and agreed by Northern Illinois Gas Company d/b/a Nicor Gas Company (“Nicor Gas”), Staff of the Illinois Commerce Commission (“Staff”), and the Citizens Utility Board (“CUB”), by and through their respective counsel, that the documents described in Paragraph 1 below, and attached to this Stipulation as Stipulated Exhibits 1-14, may be admitted into the record without further evidentiary foundation subject to the provisions of this Stipulation.

1. The documents, to be known as “Stipulated Exhibits (“SE”)", are:

SE 1: “Inventory Value Team Report” (NIC 049924-049937)

SE 2: “Post-Board Information Meeting” (NIC 115046)*¹

SE 3: “Items for Discussion” PowerPoint (NIC 012159-012173)*

SE 4: Data Request Response ENG 1.1, Docket No. 99-0127

SE 5: Data Request Response ICC 27.01, Docket No. 02-0067

SE 6: “Report to Special Committee of Board of Directors of Nicor Inc.” (NIC 049798-049875)

SE 7: Form 8-K, Oct. 31, 2002 (NIC 115421-115424)

SE 8: Data Request Response POL 1.2, Docket No. 02-0067

SE 9: Data Request Response POL 2.1, Docket No. 02-0067

SE 10: Data Request Response CUB 1.17, Docket No. 02-0067

SE 11: Data Request Response CUB 27, Docket No. 99-0127

SE 12: “2001 Withdrawal Cycle” (NIC 009960-61)*

SE 13: January Natural Gas Sale from Nicor Gas to Enerchange (NIC 010519-010520)*

SE14: Data Request Response CUB 15.13, Docket No. 02-0067 attaching NIC 114095-114096*

2. It is further stipulated and agreed that Nicor Gas produced in discovery in this proceeding or in Commission Docket No. 99-0127 the data request responses identified as SE 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 14. It is also stipulated and agreed that Nicor Gas produced in discovery in this proceeding the documents identified as SE 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, and 12, and the document attached to SE 14. All of the exhibits are in a form substantially identical to that in which Nicor Gas produced them.

3. It is further stipulated and agreed (a) that SE 7 (NIC 115421-115424) is substantially identical to a Form 8-K filed by Nicor Gas with the U.S. Securities and Exchange

¹ * Denotes that the document filed in Confidential and Public versions.

Commission on October 31, 2002, bearing the signature of an officer of Nicor Gas; (b) that Nicor Gas filed as an exhibit to the Form 8-K a document that is substantially identical to SE 6 (NIC 049798-049875); and (c) that a document substantially identical to SE 1 (NIC 049924-049937) was included as an exhibit to SE 6 (NIC 049798-049875), and thus was, consistent with Stipulation 3(b), also filed as a part of an exhibit to the Form 8-K filed by Nicor Gas with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on October 31, 2002.

4. It is further stipulated and agreed that SE 3 (NIC 012159-012173) is substantially identical to a presentation given by Nicor Gas Executive Vice President Operations Philip S. Cali to the Board of Directors of Nicor Gas and Nicor Inc. in 2001.

5. Staff and CUB acknowledge and agree that this Stipulation is without prejudice to any objection Nicor Gas may assert as to Staff's and CUB's proposed testimony related to the documents described in Paragraph 1, except that Nicor Gas produced the documents identified in Paragraph 2 of this Stipulation in discovery as described in Paragraph 2. Nicor Gas acknowledges and agrees that by entering into this Stipulation, Staff and CUB are not conceding the validity of any such objection.

6. Staff and CUB acknowledge and agree that this Stipulation is without prejudice to any objection Nicor Gas may assert as to use of any of the documents that are the subject of this Stipulation in evidence on grounds of relevance. Nicor Gas acknowledges and agrees that by entering into this Stipulation, Staff and CUB are not conceding the validity of any such objection.

7. Staff and CUB acknowledge and agree that Nicor Gas does not concede any of the documents that are the subject of this Stipulation are evidentiary "admissions" under Illinois law and Nicor Gas expressly reserves the right to object to the use of any of the documents, or

excerpts from the documents, as evidentiary admissions. Nicor Gas acknowledges and agrees that by entering into this Stipulation, Staff and CUB are not conceding the validity of any such objection.

8. Staff and CUB acknowledge and agree that Nicor Gas reserves the right to object to the use of excerpts from or portions of NIC 049798-049875 in evidence on the grounds that those excerpts or portions consist of hearsay within the document. Nicor Gas acknowledges and agrees that by entering into this Stipulation, Staff and CUB are not conceding the validity of any such objection.

Dated: April 2, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY
D/B/A NICOR GAS COMPANY

STAFF OF THE ILLINOIS COMMERCE
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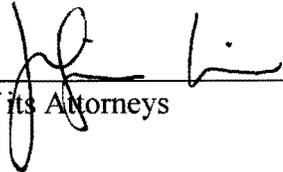
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, John E. Rooney, hereby certify that I caused a copy of the First Stipulation to be served upon the service list in consol. Docket Nos. 01-0705, 02-0067 and 02-0725 by email on April 2, 2010.

/s/ John E. Rooney

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