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Ms. Tanowa Troupe
Secretary, Office of Administration
Ohio Power Siting Board
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: *In the Matter of the Construction Notice Application of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for an Adjustment to the Agler Road NCHP Pipeline Project*
OPSB Case No. 26-1134-GA-BNR

Dear Ms. Troupe:

Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. ("Columbia") submits this Construction Notice, pursuant to Adm.Code 4906-6-03(B) and 4906-6-05, concerning slight modifications (the "Adjustments") along the route that was previously approved by the Ohio Power Siting Board ("OPSB") known as the Agler Road NCHP Pipeline Project (the "Project") in Case No. 24-1126-GA-BLN, with adjustments to the Project approved in Case Nos. 25-0523-GA-BNR, 25-0653-GA-BNR, 25-0698-GA-BNR, and 26-0614-GA-BNR.

Columbia also requests, pursuant to Adm.Code 4906-6-03(B) and 4906-6-04, expedited treatment of this Construction Notice for good cause. Good cause exists to grant expedited treatment because Project construction is expected to commence in January 2027, with tree clearing expected to begin on December 9, 2026, and construction of the portion of the Project impacted by the Adjustments is scheduled to occur in January 2027.

Therefore, as required by Adm.Code 4906-6-05, please be advised of the following Adjustments with this Construction Notice focusing on only the areas that changed in the previously approved route:

(1) Provide the name of the project and applicant's reference number, a brief description of the project, and why the project meets the requirements for a letter of notification or construction notice application.

In Case 24-1126-GA-BLN, the OPSB approved Columbia's Letter of Notification to construct the Project which is generally located in the City of Columbus and City of Gahanna. In Case Nos. 25-0523-GA-BNR, 25-0653-GA-BNR, 25-0698-GA-BNR, and 26-0614-GA-BNR, the OPSB approved adjustments to the Project. The Project, once completed, will be approximately 19,439 feet (3.7 miles) in length and consists of 24-inch diameter high pressure gas transmission class pipeline.

The requested Adjustments to the Project route total approximately 743 feet in length. These Adjustments are as follows:

No.	Station Location	Description of Change	A.S. #	Reason for Change
1	12+50 to 13+50	Pipeline shifts to the eastbound traffic lane further west	L-2010	By shifting the horizontal bends further to the west, this avoids the need for combo bends and improves constructability.
2	38+70 to 45+13	Pipeline shifts approximately 10' to the north	L-2012 and L-2013	Shifting to the north minimizes traffic impact on Agler Rd.

- **Adjustment 1:** The pipeline will shift to the eastbound lane starting at station 12+50 instead of station 12+93. This shift includes approximately 50 feet of pipeline and improves the constructability of the pipeline by removing combo bends.
- **Adjustment 2:** The pipeline shifts to the north by approximately 10 feet at station 38+70 to 45+13, over a distance of 643 feet of pipeline. This shift allows construction to remain in the northern most lanes of Agler Road and allows for traffic to be maintained in both directions in the southern lanes.
- **Note:** As further described in Section (4), to allow sufficient workspace for construction of the Adjustments, Columbia expanded the limit of disturbance ("LOD") in an existing easement as reflected in the dark blue and light blue hatching in the revision cloud on page L-2009 of **Attachment B**, and six additional temporary easements were obtained to facilitate construction of the

Adjustments as reflected in light pink hatching on page L-2009 of **Attachment B**.

The areas highlighted in yellow on **Attachments A** and **B,** identified as "Adjustments," are the impacted areas that have changed from the previous Project approval.

(2) If the proposed project is a gas pipeline, then the applicant provides a statement explaining the need for the proposed facility.

The Adjustments will allow Columbia to improve the constructability of the pipe, by removing combo bends; thereby, reducing stress on the pipe (Adjustment 1) and minimizing traffic impacts on the local community (Adjustment 2).

(3) Provide the location of the project in relation to existing or proposed lines shown on an area system map of sufficient scale and size to show existing and proposed transmission facilities in the project area.

The map shown in **Attachment A** illustrates the location of the entire Project, including those portions previously approved in Case Nos. 24-1126-GA-BLN, 25-0523-GA-BNR, 25-0653-GA-BNR, 25-0698-GA-BNR, and 26-0614-GA-BNR, in relation to existing transmission facilities in the Project area. The Project pipeline, including the Adjustments (highlighted in yellow), is shown in red and the workspace for constructing the Project pipeline is a black-dashed line. The existing Project pipeline that has been or will be replaced is the blue line.

Attachment A also highlights in yellow the Adjustments along the proposed pipeline route.

(4) Describe the alternatives considered and reasons why the proposed location or route is best suited for the proposed facility, including, but not be limited to, impacts associated with socioeconomic, ecological, construction, or engineering aspects of the project.

No additional alternatives were explored. Columbia notes that the alignment shifts are still within the originally investigated workspaces for the Project and the Adjustments did not change in such a manner to fall outside of the scope of any of the previously provided environmental reports. Please see **Attachment A** and **B** for the map(s) showing the Adjustments within the originally approved corridor. While the Adjustments are within the originally approved corridor,

Columbia acquired additional temporary easements on six parcels because additional workspace was needed near the Agler Rd and I-270 intersection to facilitate the construction of the Adjustments. Further, additional workspace is being utilized through an existing temporary easement near station 0+00, necessitating an expanded limit of disturbance.

(5) Describe its public information program to inform affected property owners and residents of the nature of the project and the proposed timeframe for project construction and restoration activities.

Columbia will continue to utilize the same public information campaign as originally explained in Case No. 24-1126-GA-BLN. No additional public information efforts are planned given the minor nature of the Adjustments.

(6) Provide an anticipated construction schedule and proposed in-service date of the project.

Columbia anticipates construction of the Adjustments to begin in January 2027 (with tree clearing to begin by December 9, 2026), with completion by December 31, 2027.

(7) Provide a map of at least 1:24,000 scale clearly depicting the facility and proposed limits of disturbance with clearly marked streets, roads, and highways, and an aerial image.

Please see the map attached as **Attachment A**.

Attachment B is comprised of the pipeline alignment drawings and the pipeline workspace drawings that contain area maps at a 1" = 40' scale. The maps and drawing depict the Project centerline, workspaces, and major street crossings. The Project centerline is shown as a dashed red line, and workspaces are shown as blue-hatched areas bounded by dashed black lines for workspace within public right-of-way; and pink-hatched areas bounded by dashed black lines for temporary easement within private parcels. Roads, streets, highways, and other crossings are clearly labeled throughout.

(8) Provide a list of properties for which the applicant has obtained easements, options, and/or land use agreements necessary to construct and operate the facility and a list of the additional properties for which such agreements have not been obtained.

Compared to the original Project approved in Case Nos. 24-1126-GA-BLN, 25-0523-GA-BNR, 25-0653-GA-BNR, 25-0698-GA-BNR, and 26-0614-GA-BNR, as further explained in Sections (1) and (4), six additional properties near the Agler Rd and I-270 intersection will be impacted because of the requested Adjustments. Also, the updated Project includes an additional workspace added to one existing parcel near station 0+00. Please see the updated list of property owners for the entire Project which is included as **Attachment D.**

(9) Describe the following information regarding the technical features of the project.

(a) Operating characteristics, estimated number and types of structures required, and right-of-way and/or land requirements.

The Adjustments will, like the rest of the Project, be tested such that it will have a maximum allowable operating pressure ("MAOP") of 190 pounds per square inch gauge ("PSIG"). Columbia will install 24-inch mainline piping that is coated steel with a wall thickness of 0.375.

Please see **Attachment D** for a list of property rights acquired for the Project. The location of the workspaces, easements, and right-of-way are also shown in the drawing included in **Attachment B**.

(b) For electric power transmission lines that are within one hundred feet of an occupied residence or institution, the production of electric and magnetic fields during the operation of the proposed electric power transmission line, describe:

(i) Calculated electric and magnetic field strength levels at one meter above ground under the lowest conductors and at the edge of the right-of-way for:

(a) Normal maximum loading,

(b) Emergency line loading,

(c) Winter normal conductor rating.

(ii) The applicant's consideration of design alternatives with respect to electric and magnetic fields and their strength levels, including alternate conductor configuration and phasing, tower height, corridor location, and right-of-way width.

Not applicable to this Project.

(c) The estimated cost of the project.

The Adjustments do not cause a material increase to the Project estimated cost.

(10) The applicant shall describe the social and ecological impacts of the project. Examples of relevant information include.

(a) Provide a brief, general description of land use within the vicinity of the proposed project, including a list of municipalities, townships, and counties affected.

The Adjustments are located within the City of Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio. The current land use of the Adjustments is primarily comprised of residential and commercial properties.

(b) Provide the acreage and a general description of all agricultural land, and separately all agricultural district land, existing at least sixty days prior to submission of the application within the potential disturbance area of the project.

No Agricultural District Land parcels are impacted by the Adjustment.

(c) Provide a description of the applicant's investigation concerning the presence or absence of significant archeological or cultural resources that may be located within the potential disturbance area of the project, a statement of the findings of the investigation, and a copy of any document produced as a result of the investigation.

Columbia conducted a cultural resource desktop review and assessment for the entire Project. The Adjustments were covered within the original surveys covering the workspace originally surveyed for the entire route and does not cause any new archaeological or cultural resources impacts as compared to the original Project approval.

A copy of the Cultural Report and correspondence with the State Historic Preservation Office ("SHPO") is included in **Attachment G.**

(d) Provide a list of the local, state, and federal governmental agencies known to have requirements that must be met in connection with the construction of the project, and a list of documents that have been or are being filed with those agencies in connection with siting and constructing the project.

The following public officials and offices will be notified of the Construction Notice pursuant to Adm.Code 4906-6-07(A)(1):

City of Columbus	
Hon. Andrew Ginther	Shannon G. Hardin
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90 W. Broad Street	90 W. Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215	Columbus, Ohio 43215
Nancy Day-Achauer	Nicholas Bankston
Councilmember	Councilmember
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Lourdes Barroso de Padilla	Rob Dorans
Councilmember	President Pro Tem
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Tiara Ross	Emmanuel V. Remy
Councilmember	Councilmember
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Melissa Green	Christopher L. Wyche
Councilmember	Councilmember
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Scott Messer	Kelly Scocco
City of Columbus Director	City of Columbus Director
Department of Building and Zoning Services	Department of Public Service
111 N. Front Street	111 N. Front Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215	Columbus, Ohio 43215

Franklin County	
John O'Grady	Kevin L. Boyce
Franklin County Commissioner	Franklin County Commissioner
President	373 S. High Street
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Columbus, Ohio 43215	
Erica C. Crawley	Kenneth N. Wilson
Franklin County Commissioner	Franklin County Administrator
373 S. High Street	373 S. High Street
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Franklin County Soil and Water	Franklin County Engineer
1404 Goodale Boulevard, Suite 100	970 Dublin Road
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Kaylee Padova	Stephen Renner
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Jeremy VanMeter	Sophia McGuire
Gahanna Clerk of Council	City of Gahanna Deputy Clerk of Council
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Mifflin Township	
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Mifflin Township Chair	Mifflin Township Vice-Chair
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Jamie Leeseberg	Kelly Cararo
Mifflin Township Trustee	Mifflin Township Fiscal Officer
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In addition to submitting this Construction Notice to the OPSB, the overall Project is subject to the following federal, state, and local agency reviews and authorizations to be received prior to beginning construction, which are the same as set forth in the original Letter of Notification in Case No. 24-1126-GA-BLN:

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Nationwide Permit 12 Evaluation;
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife (USF&W) Threatened and Endangered Report;
- Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) State Threatened and Endangered Species Consultation;
- Ohio State Historic Preservation Office Report;
- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) Section 402 National

Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Construction Stormwater Permit and Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) requirements;
- City of Columbus Department of Public Service ROW Excavation Permit;
- City of Gahanna ROW Construction Permit;
- Franklin County ROW Plan Review;
- Ohio Department of Transportation Right-of-Way and Utility Permit for US-270

The following permits have been removed as they are not required for the Project:
- CSX Right of Entry Permit;
- CSX Utility Permit;

The following permit may not be received prior to construction beginning:
- Ohio EPA Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge Permit. This permit can only be filed once construction is complete and before testing.

Columbia also submitted to the City of Columbus and the City of Gahanna a Maintenance of Traffic Plan, which is included as **Attachment H**.

(e) Provide a description of the applicant's investigation concerning the presence or absence of federal and state designated species (including endangered species, threatened species, rare species, species proposed for listing, species under review for listing, and species of special interest) that may be located within the potential disturbance area of the project, a statement of the findings of the investigation, and a copy of any document produced as a result of the investigation.

The Adjustments do not present any new potential impacts to federal and state designated species. The original applicable correspondence and documentation, as continue to be applicable to the Adjustments, are attached as **Attachment E**.

(f) Provide a description of the applicant's investigation concerning the presence or absence of areas of ecological concern (including national and state forests and parks, floodplains, wetlands, designated or proposed wilderness areas, national and state wild and scenic rivers, wildlife areas, wildlife refuges, wildlife management areas, and wildlife sanctuaries) that may be located within the potential disturbance area of the project, a statement of the findings of the investigation, and a copy of any document produced as a result of the investigation.

Columbia conducted an environmental review of the Project area for the entire route. The surveyed area for the original environmental study is not impacted by the alignment shifts in the Adjustments since the workspace originally surveyed encompasses the entire Project, including the Adjustments and additional parcels acquired. Columbia does not anticipate any different ecological impacts caused by the Adjustments, and has attached **Attachment C**, which is the full Wetland Delineation Report and **Attachment F**, which is the Inadvertent Release Plan for the horizontal directional drilling.

(g) Provide any known additional information that will describe any unusual conditions resulting in significant environmental, social, health, or safety impacts.

To the best of Columbia's knowledge, no unusual conditions exist that would result in significant environmental, social, health, or safety impacts.

Should Staff of the Ohio Power Siting Board desire further information or discussion of this application, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at the information listed above.

Respectfully submitted,

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