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Ms. Gladys Brown Dutrieuille, Chairman Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 3rd Floor, Room N-304

RE: Support of Peoples Natural Gas rate decrease

Dear Ms. Dutrieuille:

I'm writing today to formally support the proposed rate decrease by Peoples Natural Gas Company and ask that the commission promptly approve the request. This decision is before the commission under Docket R-2019-3007612.

As natural gas costs fall and supply outpaces demand, Peoples is taking the fair and reasonable step in decreasing its rates. Under an agreement negotiated this summer, Peoples' residential customers would see an 8.6-percent drop in their monthly gas bills beginning October 1. For the average customer, this works out to a decrease of about \$7 per month.

To residents in Cambria County, many of whom struggle financially, this kind of savings is meaningful. When times are challenging, customers are expected to pay more, so it only makes sense that when times are good, they get to pay a little less.

Again, I encourage the commission to approve the proposed rate decrease by Peoples Natural Gas.

Sincerely,

Frank Burns

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