



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 4901:1-19-09 Implementation of an exit-the-merchant-function plan.

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(A) A natural gas company that has an approved exit-the-merchant-function plan shall continue to supply default commodity sales service for choice-ineligible customers and PIPP-enrolled customers after the natural gas company's choice-eligible customers have been transferred to retail natural gas suppliers pursuant to the approved plan. Natural gas commodity for choice-ineligible customers and PIPP-enrolled customers shall be procured by a competitive procurement process.

(B) A natural gas company that has an approved exit-the-merchant-function plan shall retain the natural gas company's distribution function, including safety, but is not responsible for supplying default commodity sales service to any choice-eligible customer. However, the natural gas company may use best efforts to be the provider of last resort.

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