



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 4901:1-31-01 Opening areas to competitive retail natural gas service.

Effective: December 1, 2014

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(A) A governmental aggregator or retail natural gas supplier seeking an order from the public utilities commission of Ohio ordering a natural gas company, with more than fifteen thousand customers in this state, to provide fully open, equal and nondiscriminatory distribution service to nonmercantile customers must file a petition with the public utilities commission of Ohio to open markets which shall:

(1) Be in the format prescribed on the staff-approved form, which shall be available at the public utilities commission of Ohio's docketing division and electronically on the public utilities commission of Ohio's web site.

(2) Include, if applicable, a copy of the ordinance or resolution authorizing the creation of the governmental aggregation.

(3) Include a statement of all facts that justify the granting of the petition.

(B) The legislative authority of a municipal corporation described in division (K)(2) of section 4929.01 of the Revised Code, upon the effective date of an ordinance adopted under Section 5 of Article XVIII of the Ohio Constitution, seeking an order from the public utilities commission of Ohio ordering a natural gas company, with fifteen thousand or more customers in this state, to provide distribution service on a fully open, equal and nondiscriminatory basis to mercantile and nonmercantile customers must file a petition to open markets, which shall:

(1) Be in the format prescribed on the public utilities commission of Ohio's staff-approved form, which shall be available at the public utilities commission of Ohio's docketing division and electronically on the public utilities commission of Ohio's web site (<http://www.puco.ohio.gov>).

(2) Include a statement of all facts that justify the granting of the petition.



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(C) Fifteen copies of a petition to open markets shall be filed at the public utilities commission of Ohio. All petitions to open markets shall be filed in docket number XX-XXX-GA-POM. A copy of the petition shall be served upon the natural gas company by the governmental aggregator or retail natural gas supplier.