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Re: DM 14-299, Agera Energy LLC

Competitive Natural Gas Supplier Request to Replace Letter of Credit with Surety Bond

Dear Mr. Nordlicht:

On May 21, 2015, Agera Energy, LLC (Agera), a registered competitive natural gas supplier, filed a surety bond (bond) dated May 14, 2015 in the amount of \$100,000 (Bond Number 404012811), intended to replace the Letter of Credit (LOC), dated February 4, 2015 and filed with the Commission on February 5, 2015, as amended by Amendment No. 1, dated February 10, 2015 and filed on February 12, 2015 (Comerica Bank LC #OSB4907M). On June 4, 2015, Agera filed a revised surety bond with new expiration date.

On May 21, 2015, in a separate filing, Comerica Bank, the issuing bank of the LOC, filed a request seeking approval to cancel the LOC and, if the cancellation is approved, the return of the original LOC to the following address.

Comerica Bank International Trade Services 6260 E. Mockingbird Lane, 2<sup>nd</sup> Flr Dallas, TX 75214

Like the LOC, the bond is in the amount of \$100,000, has a term that expires on February 3, 2016, and names the Commission as the benefitted party.

Staff reviewed the proposed bond and found its material terms and conditions to be no less favorable to the Commission, and the interests to be protected under its rules, than are those of the LOC previously filed by Agera in this docket, as confirmed in Staff's memorandum dated June 11, 2015. Staff recommended that the Commission accept the bond as replacement financial security for the LOC, as amended.

The Commission has reviewed Staff's memorandum and approved its recommendation. Accordingly, the filed surety bond will be accepted as financial security in replacement of the LOC, as amended, and Comerica Bank's request for cancellation and return of the LOC, as amended, is approved.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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