## ORDINANCE NO. 20090312-015

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING A RATE INCREASE PROPOSED BY TEXAS GAS SERVICE, A DIVISION OF ONEOK, INC., REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT OF MUNICIPAL RATE CASE EXPENSES BY THE REGULATED UTILITY; AND PROVIDING NOTICE OF THIS ORDINANCE TO TEXAS GAS SERVICE, A DIVISION OF ONEOK, INC.

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

- **PART 1.** Texas Gas Service, a division of ONEOK, Inc. (TGS), filed a "Statement of Intent" with the City of Austin on February 11, 2009, to increase its rates by \$3,563,868. The proposed effective date of the proposed increase is March 18, 2009.
- **PART 2.** The City is authorized under Section 104.107 of the Texas Utilities Code to suspend the effective date of an increase in gas rates for 90 days in order to evaluate the effect of such a rate increase and to determine, by conducting hearings if necessary, whether the rates are appropriate, fair, just, and reasonable to all classes of ratepayers.
- **PART 3.** In accordance with Section 104.107 of the Texas Utility Code, the Council suspends the proposed increase to no later than June 17, 2009, so that the City may analyze information provided by TGS and evaluate the proposed rate increase.
- **PART 4.** In accordance with Section 103.022, TGS is directed to reimburse all municipal rate case expenses incurred by the City in relation to the filing.
- **PART 5.** Notice of this ordinance is hereby provided to TGS.

PART 6. This ordinance takes effect on March 23, 2009.		
PASSED AND APPROVED		
<u>March 12</u> , 2009	\$ \$ \$ 	Will Wynn Mayor
APPROVED: David Allan Smith City Attorney	ATTEST:	Shirley A. Gentry City Clerk