

Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 4901:1-29-03 General provisions.

Effective: December 1, 2014

- (A) A retail natural gas supplier or governmental aggregator shall not engage in unfair, misleading, deceptive, or unconscionable acts or practices related to, without limitation, the following activities:
- (1) Marketing, solicitation, or sale of a competitive retail natural gas service.
- (2) Administration of contracts for such service.
- (3) Provision of such service, including interactions with consumers.
- (B) A retail natural gas supplier shall maintain an employee and an office open for business in the state of Ohio.
- (C) A retail natural gas supplier or governmental aggregator shall not cause or arrange for the disconnection of distribution service, or employ the threat of such actions, as a consequence of contract termination, customer nonpayment, or for any other reason.
- (D) A retail natural gas supplier or governmental aggregator shall not change or authorize the changing of a customer's supplier of competitive retail natural gas service without the customer's prior consent, as provided for under rule 4901:1-29-06 of the Administrative Code. For the purpose of procuring competitive retail natural gas services, this requirement does not apply to automatic governmental aggregation and for the percentage of income payment program, or a commission approved exemption pursuant to division (A) of section 4929.04 of the Revised Code.
- (E) For the purposes of market monitoring and providing the public comparative information from retail natural gas suppliers' residential contract offers, retail natural gas suppliers shall furnish in a manner designated by the director of the service monitoring and enforcement department, at least one current offer for posting on the apples to apples chart within four calendar days of making such offers to Ohio customers.