BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Commission's Review of)	
Chapters 4901:1-9, 4901:1-10, 4901:1-21,)	Case No. 06-653-EL-ORD
4901:1-22, 4901:1-23, 4901:1-24, and 4901:1-25)	
of the Ohio Administrative Code.	.)	

<u>ENTRY</u>

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) Section 119.032, Revised Code, requires all state agencies to conduct a review, every five years, of their rules and to determine whether to continue their rules without change, amend their rules, or rescind their rules. By entry dated April 4, 2007, the Commission presented its staff's proposed modifications to the rules in those chapters of the Ohio Administrative Code captioned above. The Commission's entry requested comments from interested persons by Friday May 18, 2007, and reply comments by Friday, June 8, 2007.
- (2) On April 16, 2007, ten interested persons filed a joint request for a technical conference to explain the rationale for proposed changes, in order to assist with the preparation of meaningful comments. The motion also suggests modifications to the comment period, allowing for at least 30 days after a technical conference for the preparation of initial comments and 45 days for reply comments.
- (3) In light of the number of rules included in this proceeding and the magnitude of proposed changes, the examiner finds this motion to be reasonable. It will be granted.
- (4) A technical conference will be held for the purpose of explaining staff's reasons for proposing changes that were set forth in the attachments to the Commission's April 4, 2007, entry. This conference will not be a forum for debate. The technical conference will be held on Thursday, May 3, 2007, at 1:00 p.m., in the Commission's offices, Hearing Room 11-E, 11th Floor, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.
- (5) The examiner also finds that the requested modification of the comment schedule is reasonable. Therefore, initial comments

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shall be filed no later than Friday, June 8, 2007. Reply comments shall be filed no later than Tuesday, July 24, 2007.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the joint motion for a technical conference and for the modification of the procedural schedule be granted, as set forth in findings (4) and (5). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all investor-owned electric utilities in the state of Ohio, all certified competitive retail electric service providers in the state of Ohio, all gas and natural gas companies in the state of Ohio, and all waterworks and sewage disposal system companies in the state of Ohio.

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