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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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| In the Matter of the Complaint of |) | |
| Presley W. Kendall, |) | |
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| Complainant, |) | |
| |) | |
| v. |) | |
| |) | Case No. 07-699-EL-CSS |
| AEP, |) | |
| |) | |
| Respondent. |) | |
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OHIO POWER COMPANY'S ANSWER

Ohio Power Company, which does business as AEP Ohio, is a subsidiary of the AEP system and provides service to the Complainant. Therefore, Ohio Power Company (Company or OPCO) files this answer. The complaint appears to raise three issues, none of which set forth reasonable grounds for complaint.

First, the Complainant asserts that OPCO raised its rates after he removed a rental water heater from his home. OPCO's rates have been adjusted over time, though in every instance those adjustments have been authorized by the Commission. Complainant's assertion is so vague as to time and any alleged unlawful charges as to make a more specific answer impossible.

Second, the Complainant inquires whether his electric rates are higher than elsewhere in Ohio. This inquiry does not set forth a reasonable ground for complaint. In any event, as the Commission is aware, OPCO's rates are among the lowest in Ohio.

Finally, the Complainant asserts that he paid an electrician \$49.50 to see if he had an interior electrical problem. He further asserts that since the electrician did not find any problem

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OPCO should reimburse him for this cost. The decision to engage an electrician was the Complainant's, not OPCO's. Consequently the cost of the electrician should rest with the Complainant.

Ohio Power Company asserts that the complaint filed in this docket fails to set forth any reasonable grounds for Commission action. Further, OPCO denies that it has acted in a manner that is unjust or unreasonable. Therefore, the complaint should be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,

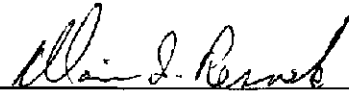


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that Ohio Power Company's Answer was served by First-Class United States Mail, postage prepaid, upon Presley W. Kendall at the address below, this 29th day of June, 2007.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marvin I. Resnik", is written over a horizontal line.

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