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BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Complaints of S. G.)
Foods, Inc.; Miles Management Corp., et al.;)
Allianz US Global Risk Insurance)
Company, et al.; and Lexington Insurance)
Company, et al.,)

Complainants,)

v.)

The Cleveland Electric Illuminating)
Company, Ohio Edison Company, Toledo)
Edison Company, and American)
Transmission Systems, Inc.,)

Respondents.)

Case Nos. 04-28-EL-CSS
05-803-EL-CSS
05-1011-EL-CSS
05-1012-EL-CSS


In the Matter of the Expansion of the)
Electronic Filing Pilot Project and Waiver of)
Procedural Rules 4901-1-02 through 4901-1-)
04, Ohio Administrative Code.)

Case No. 06-900-AU-WVR

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) The complainants in *In the Matter of the Complaints of S. G. Foods, Inc.; Miles Management Corp., et al.; Allianz US Global Risk Insurance Company, et al.; and Lexington Insurance Company, et al., v. The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, Ohio Edison Company, Toledo Edison Company, and American Transmission Systems, Inc.*, Case Nos. 04-28-EL-CSS, 05-803-EL-CSS, 05-1011-EL-CSS, and 05-1012-EL-CSS (jointly referred to herein as the complaint cases) filed their complaints on January 12, 2004, June 21, 2005, and August 15, 2005. In each case, the complainants allege, *inter alia*, that the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, Ohio Edison Company, Toledo Edison Company, and/or American Transmission Systems, Inc., (collectively, the respondents) failed to furnish necessary and adequate service and facilities to the complainants and that the service and/or facilities provided by one or more of those

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respondents were at least partially responsible for causing a widespread blackout on August 14, 2003, thereby causing financial harm to the complainants.

- (2) By entry issued September 28, 2007, in the complaint cases the attorney examiners established a revised procedural schedule, including the deadlines for the filing of testimony and other documents.
- (3) By entry issued July 26, 2006, in *In the Matter of the Expansion of the Electronic Filing Pilot Project and Waiver of Procedural Rules 4901-1-02 through 4901-1-04, Ohio Administrative Code*, Case No. 06-900-AU-WVR (06-900), the Commission expanded its initiative to permit electronic filing via the internet (e-filing) using the Commission's Docketing Information System (DIS), pursuant to Ohio's Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, Chapter 1306, Revised Code. The entry established procedures for the voluntary participation of parties who agree to conventions for validation of filings and signatures, electronic service of documents, and waiver of certain requirements contained in Rules 4901-1-02 to 4901-1-04, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.). Rules 4901-1-02 and 4901-1-03, O.A.C., contemplate the filing of paper copies of applications and other documents, but also include provisions for filing via facsimile. Rule 4901-1-04, O.A.C., requires that applications be signed by the filers or their attorneys. Under the Commission's pilot program, these rules are relaxed to the extent necessary to permit the e-filing of documents under specific circumstances.
- (4) In anticipation of the large number of documents that may be filed in the complaint cases, the attorney examiner finds it prudent to encourage the parties in these complaint cases, if they have the capabilities, to e-file future documents in the complaint cases.
- (5) In order to participate in the e-filing pilot program in 06-900, the parties in the complaint cases who are not already e-filers must file a request for waiver of the procedural rules and a participation agreement in 06-900. A copy of this form is posted on the Commission's website, under the electronic filing information link, at:

<http://www.puco.ohio.gov/PUCO/Docketing>.

Filers who have not already done so should obtain a username and password, and submit an e-filing profile following the instructions posted at the above URL. After the participation agreement is filed and the profile approved, an attorney examiner's entry will be issued in 06-900 authorizing the participant to begin e-filing. Filers will be able to log in to the DIS website and submit documents in PDF and source formats. If a source document is not available, an explanation of the circumstances should be filed in its stead.

The PDF file will be time and date stamped by the system, and will function as the official filing. For verification purposes, filers will be required to submit, within two business days, one hard copy of the filing with a copy of the confirmation page attached in front, but the electronic filing will be treated as the official filing in the case. Filers should note that no confidential documents should be e-filed. All e-filings are posted to the web and become publicly accessible upon approval by the Commission's Docketing staff. Filings submitted after 5:30 p.m. will, if accepted, be deemed filed on the following business day. Filers will use "/s/" followed by the signer's name to indicate a signature where applicable. Filers will also be required to comply with any other technical requirements posted on the Commission's website.

It is, therefore,

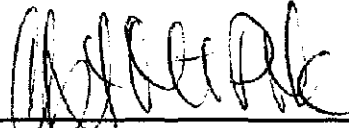
ORDERED, That the e-filing pilot project in 06-900 be expanded as set forth in this entry. It is, further,

ORDERED, That waiver of procedural requirements contained in Rules 4901-1-02 to 4901-1-04, O.A.C., be granted to e-filing participants in accordance with this entry. It is, further,

ORDERED, That parties, once authorized in the 06-900 docket, may begin e-filing in the complaint cases. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO



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