## BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Ohio ) Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric ) Illuminating Company, and The Toledo ) Edison Company for Authority to Establish ) a Standard Service Offer Pursuant to ) Section 4928.143, Revised Code, in the ) Form of an Electric Security Plan.

Case No. 08-935-EL-SSO

## ENTRY

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The attorney examiner finds:

- (1)On July 31, 2008, Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and the Toledo Edison Company (FirstEnergy) filed an application for a standard service offer (SSO) pursuant to Section 4928.141, Revised Code. This application is for an electric security plan in accordance with Section 4928.143, Revised Code.
- (2) By entry issued September 5, 2008, the attorney examiner, inter alia, scheduled the evidentiary hearing in this matter to commence on October 16, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, Hearing Room 11-C, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.
- (3) In order to provide customers of FirstEnergy a reasonable opportunity to provide public testimony in this proceeding, the following local public hearings will be conducted on the following dates:
  - Wednesday, September 24, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at (a) the Springfield City Hall City Forum, 1st Floor, 76 East High Street, Springfield, Ohio 45502.
  - (b) Thursday, September 25, 2008, at 12:00 p.m., at the Cleveland City Hall Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Room 216, 601 Lakeside Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44114.

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- (c) Thursday, September 25, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at the Monticello Middle School Auditorium, 3665 Monticello Blvd., Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44121.
- (d) Wednesday, October 1, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at the Perkins High School Auditorium, 3714 Campbell Street, Sandusky, Ohio 44870.
- (e) Thursday, October 2, 2008, at 12:30 p.m., at the Michael V. Disalle Government Center, One Government Center, 640 Jackson Street, Toledo, Ohio 43604.
- (f) Thursday, October 2, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at the Gateway Middle School, 900 Gibbs Street, Maumee, Ohio 43537.
- (g) Tuesday, October 7, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at the Firestone High School Auditorium, 333 Rampart Avenue, Akron, Ohio 44313.
- (h) Tuesday, October 14, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at the Austintown Middle School, 800 South Raccoon Road, Austintown, Ohio 44515.
- Wednesday, October 15, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., at the Geneva High School, 1301 South Ridge Road East, Geneva, Ohio 44041.
- (4) Accordingly, FirstEnergy should publish notice of the local public hearings one time in a newspaper of general circulation in each county in the companies' certified territories. The notice should not appear in the legal notices section of the newspaper. The notice should read as follows:

## LEGAL NOTICE

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has scheduled local hearings in Case No. 08-935-EL-SSO, In the Matter of the Application of Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Toledo Edison Company for Authority to Establish a Standard Service Offer Pursuant to Section 4928.143, Revised Code, in the Form of an Electric Security Plan. In their application, the companies seek Commission approval of their electric security plan filed pursuant to Senate Bill 221, which was signed into law on May 1, 2008. Senate Bill 221 requires an electric utility to establish a standard service offer and, as part of that process, to file an application for an electric security plan. According to the companies' application, the electric security plan would result in increases in total customer rates, including generation, transmission, and distribution, averaging 5.32% in 2009, 4.01% in 2010, and 5.99% in 2011. In addition, the companies' application proposes investment in capital improvements for the companies' energy delivery systems, energy efficiency and demand response initiatives, and economic development and job retention programs.

The local hearings are scheduled for the purpose of providing an opportunity for interested members of the public to testify in this proceeding. The local hearings will be held as follows:

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The evidentiary hearing will commence on October 16, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, Hearing Room 11-C, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, viewing the Commission's web page at <u>http://www.puc.state.oh.us</u>, or contacting the Commission's hotline at 1-800-686-7826.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That local public hearings in this proceeding be held as set forth in finding (3). It is, further,

ORDERED, That FirstEnergy publish notice of the hearings as set forth in finding (4). It is, further,

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

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

Attorney Examiner

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