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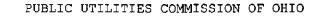
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#### PROCEEDINGS

2 MS. BOJKO: We will now commence the official 3 record in the local hearing. Let's go on the record. 4 Good evening, the Public Commission of Ohio has assigned 5 a public hearing at this time and place, case No. 08-1094-EL-SSO, et al., being captioned: In the Matter 6 7 of the Application Dayton Power and Light Company for 8 Approval of its Electric Security Plan. Dayton Power and 9 Light is also seeking approval of revised tariffs 10 security and its amended corporate separation plan.

11 My name is Kim Bojko. I'm the Attorney Examiner. 12 I've been assigned in this case. I'm one of two Attorney 13 Examiners assigned. Other Commission personnel as has 14 been explained to you, are present today, including one of 15 the commissioners, Commissioner Roberto, is here to 16 listen to your statements.

17 If you have a question concerning a utility 18 matter other than the electric security plan that is 19 pending before us today, I am sure that the Commission 20 staff, the Consumers' Counsel, or the company will be 21 more than happy to answer your questions. Note there are 22 a number of parties who have filed motions to intervene 23 in these proceedings, and they have been actively 24 participating in the cases. And these interveners, they 25 represent commercial customers, industrial customers, and

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| 1    | residential customers, as well as other entities.                    |
| 2    | And at this time I will ask counsel for those                        |
| 3    | interveners to make appearances in this case. We will begin with the |
| 4    | Dayton Power and Light Company. On behalf of DP&L?                   |
| 5    | MR. FARUKI: Good evening. My name is Charlie                         |
| 6    | Faruki from Faruki, Ireland & Cox on behalf of the Dayton            |
| 7    | Power and Light Company.                                             |
| 8    | MS.BOJKO Thank you. On behalf of the Office                          |
| 9    | of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel.                                      |
| 10   | MR. REESE: Thank you, Your Honor. On behalf of                       |
| 11   | the residential rate payers of Dayton Power and Light, on            |
| 12   | behalf of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, I'm Richard Reese,            |
| 13   | Assistant Consumers' Counsel. Thank you.                             |
| 14   | MS. BOJKO: Any other interveners present? I                          |
| 15   | do not see any. Let me explain a little bit about the                |
| 16   | case. You've heard some from the previous presentation,              |
| 17   | but on October 10, 2008, DP&L filed application with the             |
| 18   | Commission to establish what's called a standard service             |
| 19   | offer for competitive retail electric service based on               |
| 20   | what they call their Electric Security Plan. That is an              |
| 21   | ESP is what we call it. And there have been local public             |
| 22   | hearings established in this case. We have three for                 |
| 23   | this proceeding, and local public hearings are only one              |
| 24   | aspect of the whole entire process.                                  |
| 25   | There was an evidentiary hearing which                               |

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1 commenced on February 11, 2009, at the Commission Offices 2 in Columbus, and it was continued until February 24th. 3 The purpose of an evidentiary hearing is for all the 4 interveners and the parties in this case to present 5 expert testimony and evidence in support of their 6 positions in the case. And at that evidentiary hearing 7 on February 24th, as noted previously by Mr. Turek, there 8 was a stipulation and recommendation filed, and that is 9 given to the Commission for consideration. That 10 agreement was signed by fifteen parties in the case. 11 And at the hearing today, we would like to 12 receive comments from the public. This is the other 13 aspect of the hearing process. And the public -- we will 14 not be hearing from the companies or the staff or other

interveners in the case. Instead, we will be hearing
from members of the public, and we would like to hear
from you, and this is your opportunity to let the
Commissioner, in particular, as well as the other
Commissioners, through the record of this case, know your
thoughts about the application of the proceeding before
us.

When you arrived, you were offered the opportunity to sign up to testify. If you missed that opportunity, it's still available, so you can still sign up, and we will take witnesses in the order that they

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1 signed up. When we call you, please come up to the 2 front, state your name and spell your last name, and 3 state your address for the record. We will also ask that 4 you take an oath to state that you affirm that what you 5 are saying is the truth of the matter, and that your 6 testimony will be considered part of the official record 7 in this case and it will be reviewed by the Commission, 8 Commissioners, and other parties in the case.

9 We do need to tell you that all testimony that 10 you provide to us under oath is also subject to other 11 attorneys from the company or other parties asking 12 That is their prerogative, so that is part of questions. 13 this proceeding, if it should happen. And if you decide 14at the time that your name is called that you wish not to 15 testify, that is fine. Just simply say, pass, and we'll 16 move on to the next person.

17 As explained to you previously, there is a 18 court reporter here to type -- to take your testimony 19 It will be in typewritten format. Please speak down. 20 slowly, carefully so that they can understand everything 21 that you are saying and we can record all of your 22 comments. We appreciate your participation at today's 23 hearing and we welcome the comments that you will provide 24 to us. Are there any questions about the process --25 procedure in the case before we get started? Seeing

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| 1  | none, we will begin. I have on my list Ms. Andrews.       |
| 2  | Could you please raise your right hand.                   |
| 3  | GLENDA ANDREWS, DULY SWORN                                |
| 4  | MS. BOJKO: Please proceed. Your name and                  |
| 5  | address.                                                  |
| 6  | MS. ANDREWS: My name is Glenda Andrews. We                |
| 7  | reside at 3511 Oils Drive, and that's in the Cataba Wood  |
| 8  | area. This is kind of a virgin to me, but since I'm a     |
| 9  | virgin, that means I need to be broke in. So if I go      |
| 10 | wrong in any way, please feel free to just correct me in  |
| 11 | the right direction.                                      |
| 12 | The reason why I was here because I haven't               |
| 13 | been able to sleep and my daughter went on line and she   |
| 14 | hit as much as she possibly could to set the record       |
| 15 | straight, so she told us to attend this meeting. In the   |
| 16 | month of January we got a bill from DP&L, which was       |
| 17 | outrageous, using 15,990 kilowatts, however they describe |
| 18 | it, and we only have one bedroom, our sitting room where  |
| 19 | we watch television, a living room, a dining room, a      |
| 20 | kitchen and that's it. We're on one level.                |
| 21 | After I got the bill, I was very shocked about            |
| 22 | it and I went out and I looked at the meter. I said,      |
| 23 | something is wrong with that meter again. And so my       |
| 24 | husband said, you know, just call them and tell them to   |
| 25 | change it. By the time the guy got to the meter, it was   |

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<sup>1</sup> whew, whew, whew, (indicating) but I had shut it off
<sup>2</sup> before he got there since we had problems before. I shut
<sup>3</sup> it off and the meter was still whew, whew, whew.
<sup>4</sup> (Indicating.)

5 So when DP&L got there, he said the meter is 6 off the chain. I said, yeah, I know. You're here 7 because I'm getting ready to jump off the Empire State 8 Building, and we got a bill for \$1,511.44. I said, my 9 God, if I ran electricity the whole month, I said it 10 shouldn't be anything like that. He said, well, ma'am, 11 show me where your boxes are. So I showed him the boxes. 12 He said, you have two breaker boxes. I said, yes, we do. 13 Every house up here, we have two breaker boxes.

14So, he shut it down and it still was a 15 problem. So he told me he said, ma'am, up here it's listing 16 you have cable heating. I said cable heating? And what 17 is cable heating? He said, cable heating is an electrical 18 charge, and he said you got it buried someplace in 19 here and I want you to show me the inside of the house 20 and blah, blah, blah. And I said, we've been living here 21 for this long; never had this problem before, and now you 22 created a cable heating for a 1955-built home? And he 23 wanted to rest for a minute because he had arthritis in 24 his legs, so he said he was going to go sit down and 25 think about it and then change the meter.

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| 1  | He didn't change the meter; although, I have a            |
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| 2  | letter here, if I could leave a copy, of the whole detail |
| 3  | of the whole scenario. When he the next day a guy         |
| 4  | named Kevin came out, and he was a meter tech. So he      |
| 5  | said, the meter is off the chain. So they went through,   |
| 6  | went upstairs in our attic and did everything that was    |
| 7  | possible to find out where the resources or the sources   |
| 8  | should have been undistributed, redistributed, or         |
| 9  | overdistributed. But nothing was found.                   |
| 10 | So I said, wait a minute. I said, before you              |
| 11 | go any farther, I said, let me call an electrician; find  |
| 12 | out are we wrong. If we're wrong, we'll correct the       |
| 13 | problem. But he said, oh, that wouldn't be necessary.     |
| 14 | He said it has to be the meter because nothing crazy like |
| 15 | this should be happening. And I said, I agree. 15,000     |
| 16 | almost 16,000 and we live in one bedroom and so forth.    |
| 17 | To make a long story short, it wound up                   |
| 18 | that they came out three, almost four days in a row. The  |
| 19 | last day Kevin came out, the meter tech, I was with       |
| 20 | another agent getting our insurance together, and he took |
| 21 | my husband, who is very gullable, thinking that he could  |
| 22 | entrust somebody who thought that they knew what they     |
| 23 | were doing. I went back to the bathroom. We had a wall    |
| 24 | thing, and he said, well, you know, he said, you got a    |
| 25 | problem with that heater in the bathroom. It's about      |

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1 that big. I said, that heater doesn't even work. He says, that's the problem. He says, that thermostat kicks 2 3 on and it keeps cranking and cranking for energy and keeps 4 burning up and burning up. And I said, this don't sound 5 edible (sic.) to me. I said, if I go without food for a 6 whole month, I got to die or crash. Seems like that 7 heater should have burned something if the energy kept 8 coming in.

9 So then when I turned around, this man had 10 taken our whole heater apart in our bathroom with his 11 tools. He brought his tool box. And I told my husband, 12 I said, why did you let him do that? He said, the guy 13 told me he knew what he was doing. And I went off on my 14 husband because this guy is a meter guy who got the whole 15 meter -- the whole thermostat and took our whole thing 16 apart in our home and then suggested that we not call an 17 electrician. So I got a little upset about that.

18 So in return, I called Mr. Sawyer, the 19 supervisor, and he said, we're going to get things 20 straightened out, Ms. Spearman. I'm Spearman-Andrews. 21 He said, we're going to get things straightened out and 22 find out what the problem is and get that meter in there 23 and change things around. I said, I hope so. 24 So in return, Kevin came back the next day, 25 brought a different guy. First, it was Dell, and then

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1 Kevin and Bill, or whatever his name, and Charlie or Joe, 2 whoever it was. They came three days in a row. And I 3 said, why, if something is not wrong with the meter, why 4 continue to come in our home and invade on my privacy if 5 you're doing an outside thing? So Mr. Sawyer said he was going to go with his boy Kevin, what he put on paper, and 6 7 that's why I'm here today, because we got another bill 8 for \$478 and some change, which brought our total amount 9 for two months \$18,000 -- I mean, \$1,846.99. And that 10 was overwhelming for us.

11 And my question is, they started out high, 12 because of my budget billing, but we kept it at a degree. 13 So they brought the budget billing down to \$96 through 14budget automatic paid through our bank. And my question 15 was, to Mr. Sawyer, then why put us on budget billing if 16 we're outstanding like this? He said, well, we probably 17 didn't read the meter for about four months. And if we 18 didn't read the meter about four months, everything is 19 dwindling down. I said, how can that be when our bill 20 has been 200- some dollars in the past. Something should 21 have caught up and made it even, because we've always 22 broke even in the end. And when I looked at my veteran 23 bill, they're crediting us. We got credit to our account 24 of 1,200- some dollars of stuff that we haven't used. 25 So Dayton Power and Light is more greater than

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1 Veteran, so I guess I'm confused. And I called my 2 neighbors. My neighbor came over before the Dayton Power 3 and Light guy got there, and he said the spinning, the 4 platinum dial was just going off and off and off. And I 5 thought that something was going to be rectified, and I 6 just thought we were being challenged mentally, 7 retardedly, and unprofessionally with attitude because 8 after I called and told about what the guys were doing 9 and everything, then they began to defend each other. 10 And I wasn't trying to attack anything. All I asked them 11to do was change our meter, and they said they wasn't 12 going to. Although, he took it out completely, it 13 stayed on for a little while after shutting the power 14 He took it off, left it off overnight -- I mean, off. 15 for a few hours. He come in and he put it back in and 16 the meters acted right. So that's when I called in the 17 electrician.

18 The electrician, you know -- and then after 19 the electricians made their statements, we don't find a 20 problem with anything, You know, so I called Mr. Sawyer 21 back and I explained to him, - I said, sir, we had two 22 electricians to come in and evaluate that it's not our 23 problem. And one of the guys suggested it was probably 24 one of those poltergeist meters. So Mr. Sawyer said, 25 they don't know what they're talking about. He said,

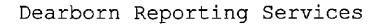
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| l 1 t | they don't know nothing about our meter. And I said,    |
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| 2 c   | okay. All right. Sir, thank you. Bye. You know, so      |
| 3 t   | that's what I wanted to say. Anybody got any questions  |
| 4 f   | for me or anything?                                     |
| 5     | MR. FARUKI: Your Honor, let me suggest, the             |
| 6 c   | company has a representative here to help people with   |
| 7 F   | problems. If she would raise her hand, If she could see |
| 8 t   | that lady, I think we can work that out.                |
| 9     | MS. ANDREWS: Okay. Thank you.                           |
| 10    | MS BOJKO: Thank you. Did your husband,                  |
| 11 M  | Ar. Andrews, also want to testify? Okay. Thank you. Do  |
| 12 I  | I have any other members from the public present that   |
| 13 W  | would like to testify at this time? Seeing none, it     |
| 14 ]  | looks like we are going to conclude for the day. Thank  |
| 15 Y  | you all for attending and thank you for coming out to   |
| -     | participate in our public hearing. We appreciate it.    |
|       | Ve're adjourned.                                        |
| 18    | THE PROCEEDINGS WERE THEN CONCLUDED 6:26 P.M.           |
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| 2    | CERTIFICATE                                               |
| 3    | I, CAROLA G. STRIJEK, RPR, THE UNDERSIGNED, AND           |
| 4    | NOTARY PUBLIC-COURT REPORTER, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT AT   |
| 5    | THE TIME AND PLACE STATED HEREIN, I RECORDED THE          |
| 6    | FOREGOING PROCEEDINGS BY STENOTYPE MEANS AND THEREAFTER   |
| 7    | TRANSCRIBED WITH COMPUTER-AIDED TRANSCRIPTION, AND THAT   |
| 8    | THE FOREGOING TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS IS A COMPLETE AND |
| 9    | ACCURATE REPORT OF MY SAID STENOTYPED NOTES.              |
| 10   | MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: SEPTEMBER 26, 2010.                |
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