

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

- In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for an Increase in Electric Distribution Rates) Case No. 08-709-EL-AIR
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- In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Tariff Approval) Case No. 08-710-EL-ATA
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- In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Approval to Change Accounting Methods) Case No. 08-710-EL-AAM
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- In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Approval of its Rider BDP, Backup Delivery Point Rider) Case No. 06-718-EL-ATA
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Prepared Testimony
of
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1 The OCC objects to the Staff's determination of adjusted and
2 proforma revenues, because the test year sales to commercial
3 customers in the Staff Report are understated.

4 7. Q. How does Staff respond?

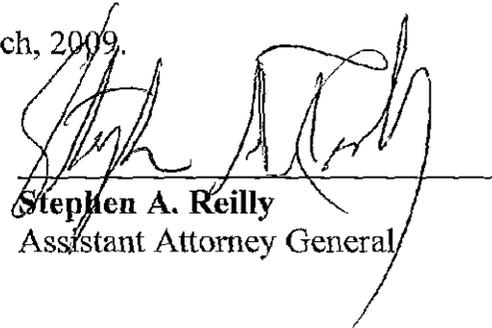
5 A. The Staff reviewed the Applicant's test year sales forecast and budgeted
6 revenues that were developed by a trending model system utilizing the
7 latest ten years of data. Factors considered were appliance proliferation,
8 housing trends, commercial developments and current state of the
9 economy. The Staff found that the Applicant's forecast methodology was
10 appropriate for purposes of this proceeding.

11 8. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

12 A. Yes. .

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing Testimony of Jeffrey P. Hecker was served via electronic mail and/or regular U.S. mail, postage prepaid upon the following parties of record this 30th day of March, 2009.



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