

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Columbus Southern Power Company)	
and Ohio Power Company to Modify)	
Tariff Provisions Addressing Partial)	Case No. 09-1979-EL-ATA
Payment in the Context of Consolidated)	
Billing to Conform to Rule 4901:1-10-)	
33(H), Ohio Administrative Code.)	

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company (collectively, AEP-Ohio) are public utilities as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On November 5, 2008, in Case No. 06-653-EL-ORD, the Commission adopted revised Electric Service and Safety Standards (ESSS) in Chapter 4901:1-10 of the Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C), including Rule 4901:1-10-33(H), O.A.C., regarding the partial payment priority related to consolidated billing.
- (3) On May 6, 2009, the Commission issued an entry on rehearing in Case No. 06-653-EL-ORD, which ordered the electric utilities to file applications to revise their tariffs to be consistent with the revised rules. The ESSS rules became effective on June 29, 2009.
- (4) On December 18, 2009, AEP-Ohio filed an application to modify provisions of its tariffs to address partial payments in the context of consolidated billing. To comply with Rule 4901:1-10-33(H), O.A.C., AEP-Ohio revised its tariffs to reflect the order in which partial payments, made in lieu of the total payment of the amount owed, are applied to a customer's bill.
- (5) The Commission has reviewed AEP-Ohio's December 18, 2009, application to revise its tariffs and finds that the modified tariff provisions, filed pursuant to Section 4909.18, Revised Code,

comply with the requirements of Chapter 4901:1-10, O.A.C., are not for an increase in any rate, and do not appear to be unjust and unreasonable. Therefore, we find that the application should be approved.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That AEP-Ohio's application to revise its tariffs, as filed on December 18, 2009, be approved. It is, further,

ORDERED, That AEP-Ohio is authorized to file, in final form, four complete copies of the tariffs, consistent with this finding and order. AEP-Ohio shall file one copy in its TRF dockets (or may make such filing electronically as directed in Case No. 06-900-AU-WVR) and one copy in this case docket. The remaining two copies shall be designated for distribution to the Rates and Tariffs, Energy and Water Division of the Commission's Utilities Department. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the effective date of the revised tariffs shall be a date not earlier than both the date of this finding and order and the date upon which final tariffs are filed with the Commission. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this finding and order shall be binding upon this Commission in any future proceeding or investigation involving the justness or reasonableness of any rate, charge, rule, or regulation. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this finding and order be served upon AEP-Ohio and all parties of record.

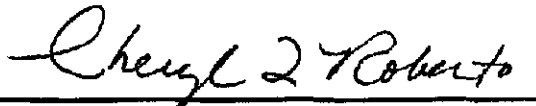
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