

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)
Columbus Southern Power Company and)
Ohio Power Company for Authority to) Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO
Establish a Standard Service Offer Pursuant) Case No. 11-348-EL-SSO
to Section 4928.143, Revised Code, in the)
Form of an Electric Security Plan.)

In the Matter of the Application of)
Columbus Southern Power Company and) Case No. 11-349-EL-AAM
Ohio Power Company for Approval of) Case No. 11-350-EL-AAM
Certain Accounting Authority.)

ENTRY

The Attorney Examiner finds:

- (1) Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company (jointly, 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 January 27, 2011, AEP-Ohio filed an application for a standard service offer pursuant to Section 4928.141, Revised Code. The application is for an electric security plan in accordance with Section 4928.143, Revised Code.
- (3) By entry issued February 9, 2011, as revised by entries issued March 23, 2011, June 9, 2011, July 8, 2011 and August 12, 2011, a procedural schedule was established in these matters. In accordance with the entry issued August 12, 2011, the hearing was called, appearances taken, and the hearing continued until "the earlier of the filing of a settlement, notice that settlement negotiations have been suspended, or two weeks until August 29, 2011."
- (4) On August 25, 2011, a Joint Motion for Continuance of the Hearing and Request for Expedited Ruling (Joint Motion) was filed on behalf of AEP-Ohio, Commission Staff, and all the intervenors to these proceedings (collectively, Movants). The Movants request a continuance of the commencement of the hearing, until August 31, 2011, to continue exploring the

possibility of a settlement of the issues raised in these matters. The parties note that a settlement in these cases will conserve the time and resources of the parties, as well as the Commission, to the benefit of all stakeholders. According to the Joint Motion, no party to the proceedings opposes the request for a continuance of the hearing.

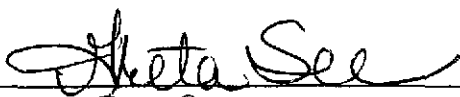
- (5) Rule 4901-1-12(F), Ohio Administrative Code, permits the issuance of an expedited ruling on the Joint Motion, without the filing of memoranda, as the issuance of an expedited ruling will not adversely affect a substantial right of any party. The Attorney Examiner further finds that the Joint Motion is reasonable and should be granted. Accordingly, the hearing will be continued and commence on August 31, 2011, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, in hearing room 11-A.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the Joint Motion for a continuance of the hearing, until August 31, 2011, be granted as set forth herein. It is, further,

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

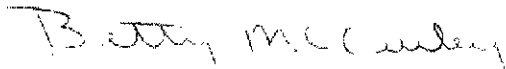
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