

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)
Columbus Southern Power Company for)
Approval of a Mechanism to Recover) Case No. 11-4920-EL-RDR
Deferred Fuel Costs Ordered Under Section)
4928.144, Ohio Revised Code.)

In the Matter of the Application of Ohio)
Power Company for Approval of a)
Mechanism to Recover Deferred Fuel Costs) Case No. 11-4921-EL-RDR
Ordered Under Section 4928.144, Ohio)
Revised Code.)

ENTRY

The Attorney Examiner finds:

- (1) On March 18, 2009, the Commission issued its Opinion and Order regarding the application of Columbus Southern Power Company (CSP) and Ohio Power Company (OP) (jointly, AEP-Ohio or the Companies) in Case Nos. 08-917-EL-SSO and 08-918-EL-SSO (ESP 1 Order). Entries on rehearing were issued July 23, 2009 (First ESP 1 EOR) and November 4, 2009. In AEP-Ohio's ESP 1, to mitigate the impact of the rate increase for customers, the Commission ordered, pursuant to Section 4928.144, Revised Code, the Companies to phase-in any increase authorized over an established percentage for each year of the ESP.¹ The Commission authorized the Companies to establish a regulatory asset to record and defer fuel expenses with carrying costs, at the weighted average cost of capital, with recovery through a nonbypassable surcharge to be recovered commencing 2012 through 2018.²
- (2) On January 27, 2011, in Case Nos. 11-346-EL-SSO et al., the Companies filed an application for a standard service offer (SSO) pursuant to Section 4928.141, Revised Code. This application is for approval of an electric security plan (ESP 2) in accordance with Section 4928.143, Revised Code, to commence January 1, 2012, and continue through May 31, 2014.

¹ ESP 1 Order at 22.

² ESP 1 Order at 20-23; First ESP EOR at 6-10.

- (3) On September 1, 2011, in Case Nos. 11-4920-EL-RDR and 11-4921-EL-RDR (Deferred Fuel Cases), the Companies filed an application for approval of a mechanism to recover deferred fuel costs as ordered by the Commission in ESP 1.
- (4) On September 7, 2011, the Companies, Staff and numerous intervenors to AEP-Ohio's ESP 2 case filed a Stipulation and Recommendation (Stipulation) for the purpose of resolving all the issues raised in the ESP 2 case and several other AEP-Ohio cases pending before the Commission, including the Deferred Fuel Cases. The Stipulation, however, is opposed by the remaining parties to the ESP 2 case. By entry issued September 16, 2011, this case was consolidated with several other AEP-Ohio proceedings and a hearing held on the Stipulation October 4, 2011 through October 27, 2011.
- (5) Motions to intervene in the Deferred Fuel Cases were filed by Industrial Energy Users-Ohio (IEU) and Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy (OPAE).³ IEU asserts a real and substantial interest in this case that is not represented by another party and claims that the disposition of this case may adversely affect IEU's ability to protect their interest. No memorandum contra IEU's motions to intervene was filed.
- (6) IEU's motion to intervene is reasonable and should be granted.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That IEU's motion to intervene be granted. It is, further,

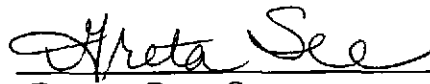
³ On November 17, 2011, OPAE filed a notice requesting to withdraw from this case and several other AEP-Ohio proceedings pending before the Commission.

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ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties and interested persons of record in these dockets.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

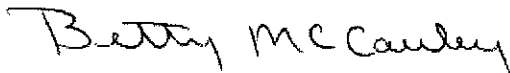


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