

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of )  
Columbus Southern Power Company and )  
Ohio Power Company, Individually and, if ) Case No. 11-351-EL-AIR  
Their Proposed Merger is Approved, as a ) Case No. 11-352-EL-AIR  
Merged Company (collectively, AEP Ohio) )  
for an Increase in Electric Distribution )  
Rates. )

In the Matter of the Application of )  
Columbus Southern Power Company and )  
Ohio Power Company, Individually and, if ) Case No. 11-353-EL-ATA  
Their Proposed Merger is Approved, as a ) Case No. 11-354-EL-ATA  
Merged Company (collectively, AEP Ohio) )  
for Tariff Approval. )

In the Matter of the Application of )  
Columbus Southern Power Company and )  
Ohio Power Company, Individually and, if ) Case No. 11-356-EL-AAM  
Their Proposed Merger is Approved, as a ) Case No. 11-358-EL-AAM  
Merged Company (collectively, AEP Ohio) )  
for Approval to Change Accounting )  
Methods. )

ENTRY ON REHEARING

The Commission finds:

- (1) Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company (collectively, AEP-Ohio or Applicants) are electric light companies as defined by Section 4905.03(A)(3), Revised Code, and public utilities as defined by Section 4905.02, Revised Code. Applicants are, therefore, subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission pursuant to Sections 4905.04, 4905.05, and 4905.06, Revised Code.
- (2) On February 28, 2011, AEP-Ohio filed applications seeking an increase in electric distribution rates, for approval of

tariff modifications, and for approval of changes to certain accounting methods.

- (3) By Opinion and Order issued December 14, 2011, the Commission approved the applications, with modifications, pursuant to a Stipulation and Recommendation filed in the case. Thereafter, on December 15, 2011, the Commission issued an entry *nunc pro tunc* clarifying a date and that the new tariffs would become effective on a bills rendered basis rather than a services rendered basis.
- (4) On January 13, 2012, AEP-Ohio filed an application for rehearing regarding the Commission's December 14, 2011, Opinion and Order. In its application for rehearing, AEP-Ohio argues that the Commission's Opinion and Order is unreasonable and unlawful because it removes the pilot nature of the program and requires a permanent rate design based on revenue decoupling and because it prematurely adds reporting requirements concerning the success of the program.
- (5) Section 4903.10, Revised Code, states that any party to a Commission proceeding may apply for rehearing with respect to any matters determined by the Commission within 30 days of the entry of the order upon the Commission's journal.
- (6) The Commission grants the application for rehearing filed by AEP-Ohio. We believe that sufficient reasons have been set forth by AEP-Ohio seeking to warrant further consideration of the matters specified in the application for rehearing.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the application for rehearing filed by AEP-Ohio be granted for further consideration of the matters specified in the application for rehearing. It is, further,

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

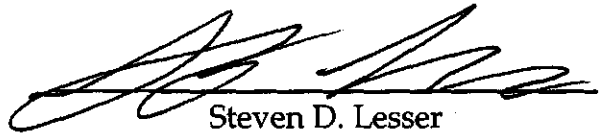
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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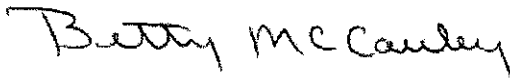
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