# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Commission's	)	
Review of Time-Differentiated and	) Case No. 12-150-EL-CO	I
Dynamic Pricing Options for Retail	)	
Electric Services	)	

# MOTION TO FILE COMMENTS OUT OF TIME BY THE OHIO BUSINESS COUNCIL FOR A CLEAN ECONOMY

The Ohio Business Council for a Clean Economy ("OBCCE" or "Business Council") respectfully requests the Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("PUCO" or "Commission") for leave to file Comments on the out of time. Comments were due on Wednesday, April 11, 2012. OBCCE submitted its comments electronically on April 11, but after 5:30p.m. OBCCE states that due to internal error, it was unable to file these Comments prior to the 5:30p.m. close of business, and thus these Comments must be considered to be filed on April 12, the next business day.

For the reasons set forth in the accompanying Memorandum in Support, the Ohio Business Council for a Clean Economy moves the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio asks to accept the Business Council's submitted Comments out of time.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pursuant to Ohio Adm. Code 4901-1-12.

## Respectfully submitted,

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# MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO FILE COMMENTS OUT OF TIME BY THE OHIO BUSINESS COUNCIL FOR A CLEAN ECONOMY

The Business Council respectfully requests the Commission accept its submitted comments out of time. Business Council members have an expressed and demonstrated interest in assisting the Commission with the issues presented in this investigation. The Business Council filed a timely intervention in this proceeding.<sup>2</sup> Counsel for OBCCE and Business Council members attended the recent PUCO-sponsored workshop held on March 28, 2012. The Comments submitted by the Business Council are the result of a collaborative effort among several members to provide the Commission with important information that we believe will inform the Commission as it moves forward in this proceeding to address time-differentiated and dynamic pricing issues.

As noted in the Motion to Intervene, the OBCCE is an Ohio-based organization representing a wide range of advanced energy businesses, with some members involved directly in clean energy and related industries. OBCCE is the premier network of businesses and business leaders advancing renewable energy, energy efficiency and clean energy technology through effective communications, broad advocacy and business development. Business Council members have a financial interest in the development and expansion of the technology

<sup>3</sup> For more information, please see the OBCCE website at: http://ohiobusinesscouncil.com/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> OBCCE filed its motion to intervene on February 2, 2012.

and equipment employed in time-differentiated and dynamic pricing. Therefore, the Business Council requests the Commission grant its motion and accept and consider its submitted comments out of time.

OBCCE states that due to internal error, it was unable to file these Comments prior to the 5:30p.m. close of business, and thus these Comments are considered as filed on April 12, the next business day. However, we believe that the Commission will agree that this delay will not prejudice nor burden any parties to this proceeding. As noted, these comments will add to the broad resources, opinions and ideas from which the Commission may chart a course of action as it moves forward in this investigation. With our apologies, therefore, the Business Council requests that the Commission accept the Business Council's submitted Comments out of time.

The Commission has recently granted motions of other parties to provide comments out of time in similar cases.<sup>4</sup> This is consistent with the Commission's policy to "encourage the broadest possible participation" in its proceedings.<sup>5</sup> Therefore, the OBCCE respectfully requests that its submitted comments, though filed out of time, be accepted and considered in this case.

#### **CONCLUSION**

For the foregoing reasons, the Ohio Business Council for a Clean Economy respectfully requests that their Motion to File Comments out of Time be granted, that the Comments submitted by OBCCE be considered and adopted by the Commission in this proceeding.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> For example, the Commission approved the motions of American Electric Power Company and the Ohio Energy Group to file comments out of time in the 11-4304-EL-UNC case, where, similar to here, the Commission was seeking input of interested parties for a Commission proposal (Entry at ¶4 and 6, August 30, 2011).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See e.g. In the Matter of the Application of The Dayton Power and Light Company, 2009 WL 322883 at 1, Ohio PUC February 5, 2009 (Commission granted motion to intervene in light of policy to encourage participation, despite party's failure to file within the deadline).

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing *Motion to File Comments* out of *Time* has been filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and has been served upon the following parties via electronic mail on April 12, 2012.

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