BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Vectren)
Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc. for Approval) Case No. 12-1416-GA-RDR
of an Adjustment to its Energy Efficiency)
Funding Rider Rate.)

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc., (VEDO) is a public utility as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On January 7, 2009, the Commission issued its Opinion and Order in Case No. 07-1080-GA-AIR et al. (VEDO Rate Case), approving a stipulation submitted by VEDO, the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC), Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy (OPAE), Interstate Gas Supply, Inc., Stand Energy Corporation, the Ohio Environmental Council, and Staff. Among other terms, the stipulation provided for the creation of an energy efficiency funding rider (EEFR) initially set at \$0.00. Further, the stipulation provided that VEDO would submit an application to establish an EEFR charge to provide a minimum of \$1 million to be utilized to continue funding for VEDO's existing low-income weatherization program. Moreover, the signatory parties agreed that any application to establish or adjust the EEFR charge should be considered an application not for an increase in rates.
- (3) On March 23, 2009, VEDO filed an application in Case No. 09-254-GA-ATA, to establish an EEFR rate of \$0.00320 per hundred cubic feet (Ccf), in order to provide the agreed upon \$1 million for continued funding for VEDO's low-income weatherization program. On August 26, 2009, the Commission approved VEDO's initial EEFR rate, with an effective date of January 1, 2010.
- (4) On April 27, 2012, VEDO filed the pending application to revise its EEFR rate to \$0.004841 per Ccf. According to VEDO, this

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proposed rate reconciles actual EEFR recoveries and forecasted recoveries. VEDO explains that, in accordance with the stipulation in the VEDO Rate Case, on November 18, 2011, the VEDO Demand-side Management (DSM) Collaborative met to consider the portfolio of DSM programs and funding levels as proposed in VEDO's 2012 DSM Operating Plan. VEDO states that the DSM Collaborative approved VEDO's proposal to continue the EEFR at the existing level. VEDO asserts that the rate proposed in this application is consistent with VEDO's 2012 DSM Operating Plan and the approval by the DSM Collaborative.

(5) This application has been filed pursuant to Section 4909.18, Revised Code, and the Commission finds that it is not for an increase in any rate, joint rate, toll, classification, charge, or rental, does not appear to be unjust or unreasonable, and should be approved. Therefore, the Commission finds that it is unnecessary to hold a hearing in this matter.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That VEDO's application to revise its EEFR rider to \$0.004841 per Ccf is approved. It is, further,

ORDERED, That VEDO is authorized to file four complete copies of tariffs, in final form, consistent with this Finding and Order. VEDO shall file one copy in this case docket and one copy in its TRF docket (or may file electronically as directed in Case No. 06-900-AU-WVR). 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 new tariffs shall be a date not earlier than 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 all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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