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This Joint Motion Seeking Enforcement of Approved Settlement Agreements And Orders Issued by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Joint Motion") proactively

⁵ DP&L's ESP Procedural Motion is the subject of a Joint Memorandum In Opposition to Motion to Set Procedural Schedule filed with the Commission on September 17, 2012. In addition to the objections and concerns expressed in the Joint Memorandum In Opposition, DP&L's proposal to file an ESP application in the *MRO Case* presents complications as a result of the very different procedural structure and specified timing of Commission determinations that exist in an MRO case and do not exist in an ESP case. Section 4928.141, Revised Code, permits an electric distribution utility ("EDU") to simultaneously submit applications for an MRO and an ESP. It does not provide for an EDU to file an MRO application, withdraw the MRO application and then file an ESP application in the MRO proceeding.

⁶ Pursuant to Section 4928.142(B)(3), Revised Code, the Commission must initiate a proceeding within 90 days once an MRO application is filed. DP&L's ESP Procedural Motion proposes December 17, 2012 as the issuance date of a final order on the ESP application to be filed on or about October 8, 2012.

requests that the Commission require DP&L to comply with Commission-approved settlement agreements previously agreed upon by filing tariffs that delete the nonbypassable Rate Stabilization Charge ("RSC") provision to be effective for all bills rendered on or after January 1, 2013. The portions of the ESP I settlement quoted above clearly state that the RSC authorized as part of ESP I only runs through December 31, 2012.

Section 4928.141(A), Revised Code, states that: "Only a standard service offer authorized in accordance with section 4928.142 or 4928.143 of the Revised Code, shall serve as the utility's standard service offer for the purpose of compliance with this section; and that standard service offer shall serve as the utility's default standard service offer for the purpose of section 4928.14 of the Revised Code." Since the SSO approved in the *ESP I Case* specifies that the life of the nonbypassable RSC only runs through December 31, 2012, Section 4928.141, Revised Code, requires the Commission to enforce ESP I's termination of the nonbypassable Rate Stabilization Surcharge ("RSS") effective December 31, 2012.

The thrust of the relief requested in the foregoing Joint Motion is to proactively secure the compliance mandated by Section 4928.141, Revised Code. The need for the requested relief is precipitated by DP&L's choices that culminated in the MRO Withdrawal Notice and its stated intentions to file an ESP application on or before October 8, 2012 (less than three months before January 1, 2013).

For the reasons explained in the Memorandum in Support attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, promptly granting the relief requested herein will provide shopping and non-shopping customers with a better ability to project future electricity bills, compare SSO prices with prices available from competitive retail electric service ("CRES") providers and make such future electric bills more stable and certain.

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¹² DPL Inc.'s Annual Report, pursuant to Sections 13 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (otherwise known as the 10-K and cited herein as the "2011 10-K") filed on March 28, 2012 for the year 2011 states, at page 23, as follows:

^{...}as the local distribution utility, DP&L has an obligation to serve customers within its certified territory and under the terms of its ESP Stipulation, as it is the provider of last resort (POLR) for standard offer service. DP&L's current rate structure provides for a nonbypassable charge to compensate DP&L for this POLR obligation. The PUCO may decrease or discontinue this rate charge at some time in the future.

¹³ DPL Inc. 2011 10-K at 40. "In 2010, DPLER began providing CRES services to business customers in Ohio who are not in DP&L's service territory." DPL Inc. 2011 10-K at 12.

affiliate, to satisfy the electric requirements of its retail customers." This is not a circumstance where AES, DPL Inc. or DP&L can rightfully claim that the relief sought by the Joint Motion (elimination of the RSC pursuant to the terms of ESP I) will suddenly introduce DP&L or its affiliates to "customer choice." And, the terms of the Commission-approved ESP I Settlement already make the RSC bypassable in the case of community aggregation programs that elect to have any returning SSO customers pay a market-based price for the generation supply portion of the SSO.¹⁵

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As indicated above, the timing of DP&L's efforts to establish a new SSO through an MRO or ESP now makes it likely that neither a new MRO nor ESP will be in effect prior to January 1, 2013. This timing and the provisions of ESP I combine to suggest

¹⁴ DPL Inc. 2011 10-K at 7.

¹⁵ DPL Inc.'s 2011 10-K states (at page 40) that nine organizations in DP&L's service area have filed with the Commission to initiate governmental aggregation programs.

¹⁶ DP&L's PJM RPM Rider, applicable to SSO customers, compensates DP&L for RPM-related charges from PJM, including, but not limited to: Locational Reliability Charges, Capacity Resource Deficiency, RPM Auction Revenues, Generation Resource Rating Test, and Peak Hour Period Availability.

that the Commission should promptly identify the provisions of ESP I that cease as of December 31, 2012 and thereafter no longer apply to determine electric bills of shopping and non-shopping customers alike.

Accordingly, the parties who are submitting the foregoing Joint Motion urge the Commission to grant the relief requested therein. More specifically, the parties urge the Commission to direct DP&L to refile its ESP I tariffs to remove the RSC effective for service rendered on or after January 1, 2013. Granting such relief and doing so promptly will cause DP&L to comply with the Commission-approved ESP I Settlement, provide shopping and non-shopping customers with a better ability to project future electricity bills, compare SSO prices with prices available from CRES providers and make such future electric bills more stable and certain. The requested relief will also better frame the required MRO versus ESP comparison that the Commission must make before it can approve any ESP that DP&L may propose in a future application.

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Dear Sam:

You asked for a letter acknowledging that Industrial Energy Users-Ohio advanced its position that the RSC component of DP&L's current standard service terminates no later than December 31, 2012 in accordance with the February 24, 2009 settlement approved by the Commission in Case Nos. 08-1094-EL-SSO *et al.* On behalf of The AES Corporation and The Dayton Power and Light Company, this letter acknowledges that you raised this argument on behalf of your client in Case No. 11-3002-EL-MER.

Sincerely,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Joint Motion Seeking Enforcement of Approved Settlement Agreements and Orders Issued by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and Memorandum in Support was served upon the following parties of record this 26th day of September 2012, via hand-delivery, electronic transmission, or first class

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