

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

**In the Matter of the Long-Term Forecast)
Report of Ohio Power Company and) Case No. 13-501-EL-FOR
Related Matters.)**

**OHIO POWER COMPANY’S MOTION AND MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT
SEEKING AN EXTENSION OF THE DEADLINE FOR FILING ITS 2013
LONG-TERM FORECAST REPORT AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED
REVIEW**

Ohio Power Company (“AEP Ohio” or the “Company”), pursuant to Rule 4901:5-3-01(D), Ohio Administrative Code (“O.A.C.”), seeks an extension of the deadline for filing its 2013 Long-Term Forecast Report (“LTFR”). AEP Ohio seeks an extension to file its 2013 LTFR within 60 calendar days after receipt of the final rehearing order in Case Number 12-1126-EL-UNC, or no later than August 30, 2013. Given that the Company is required to file its 2013 LTFR on April 15 absent an extension, expedited review of this motion is requested. The reasons in support of this motion are set forth in the accompanying memorandum in support.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

In light of the existing uncertainty surrounding several AEP Ohio proceedings currently pending before this Commission, including in particular the Company's corporate separation case (Case No. 12-1126-EL-UNC), AEP Ohio respectfully requests an extension of the deadline for filing its 2013 LTFR until 60 calendar days after receipt of the final corporate separation rehearing order or no later than August 30, 2013.

In granting a similar request for an extension in the Company's 2012 LTFR proceeding, the attorney examiner noted that the uncertainty surrounding several AEP Ohio proceedings before the Commission at the time justified an extension of the LTFR filing deadline. Similar uncertainty exists at this time as well. Still pending final resolution before this Commission is the Company's corporate separation case, which could affect matters that fall within the forecast period in this case. In its December 12, 2012, Entry on Rehearing in that case, the Commission granted for further consideration the applications for rehearing filed by Industrial Energy Users-Ohio and the Ohio Consumers' Counsel. It is possible that the Commission's further consideration of the issues raised on rehearing could affect the Company's resource plan options for meeting its forecasted load during the forecast period in this case. It would be inefficient to

require the Company to file its LTFR on schedule since there could be impacts flowing from the final corporate separation case that would cause the Company to subsequently amend its filing in this case.

A short delay until after the final resolution of the Company's corporate separation proceeding will not unduly delay this proceeding. Instead, a short delay should provide some certainty and efficiency and, during the period of delay, will allow the Commission, its Staff, and the Company to concentrate on other matters involving AEP Ohio. Expedited treatment is also justified as the Company's 2013 LTFR is currently set to be filed by April 15 absent an extension.

WHEREFORE, for good cause shown, AEP Ohio respectfully requests that the Commission grant this motion and extend the deadline for filing the Company's 2013 LTFR until 60 calendar days after receipt of the final corporate separation rehearing order or no later than August 30, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served upon the below-named counsel via email, this 1st day of March, 2013.

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