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In the Matter of the)
Regulation of the Electric)
Fuel Component Contained) Case No. 00-106-EL-EFC
Within the Rate Schedules of)
Monongahela Power Company, and)
Related Matters.)

Hearing Room 11-D
Borden Building
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215
Tuesday, June 27, 2000

Met, pursuant to assignment, at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

BEFORE:

Steven Lesser, Attorney-Examiner.

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WITNESSES PAGE

None.

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EXHIBITS MARKED RECEIVED

Joint Exhibit No. 1 - 5 5
Stipulation and Recommendation

Company Exhibit No. 1 - 6 7
Annual Report

Company Exhibit No. 2 - 6 7
Prehearing Data

Company Exhibit No. 3 - 6 7
Direct testimony and exhibits
of Jeffrey L. Adams

Company Exhibit No. 4 - 6 7
Direct testimony and exhibits
of Michael H. Hess

Company Exhibit No. 5 - 6 7
Proof of Publication

Commission-ordered Exhibit No. 1 - 7 7
Management Performance Audit

Commission-ordered Exhibit No. 2 - 7 7
Annual Audit

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Tuesday, June 27, 2000

Morning Session

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THE EXAMINER: The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has assigned for hearing at this time and place, Case No. 00-106-EL-EFC: In the Matter of the Regulation of the Electric Fuel Component Contained Within the Rate Schedules of Monongahela Power Company, and Related Matters.

I'm Steven D. Lesser, I'm an Attorney-Examiner for the convention. I've been assigned to hear this case. May I have appearances, please?

MR. JACK: Representing Monongahela Power Company, I'm Gary A. Jack.

MS. BAIR: Thank you, your Honor. On behalf of the staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Betty Montgomery, Attorney General, Duane Luckey, Section Chief, Jodi Bair, Assistant Attorney General.

MS. HOTZ: On behalf of the residential consumers of Mong Power, the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, Robert S. Tongren, by Ann Hotz, 10 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215. Thank you.

THE EXAMINER: Are there any preliminary matters?

MS. BAIR: No, your Honor.

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1 THE EXAMINER: Do you have anything to present?

2 MR. JACK: Sure. Your Honor, the parties have reached
3 a stipulation and settlement of all issues of the final fuel
4 case for Monongahela Power Company, I do believe for any
5 electric utility in the State of Ohio, and I believe the parties
6 would like to present it as a Joint Exhibit No. 1.

7 THE EXAMINER: Thank you. It will be marked as Joint
8 Exhibit No. 1.

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10 Thereupon, Joint Exhibit No. 1 was marked
11 for purposes of identification.

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13 THE EXAMINER: And any objections?

14 (No Response.)

15 THE EXAMINER: Let the record note that there are no
16 other parties in the hearing room today. No other parties,
17 there were no intervening parties except for the Office of
18 Consumers' Counsel. Joint Exhibit No. 1 is therefore admitted.

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20 Thereupon, Joint Exhibit No. 1 was
21 received into evidence.

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23 THE EXAMINER: Is there anything further?

24 MR. JACK: The company does have five exhibits that it
25 would like to have marked and entered into the record. The

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1 parties have previously agreed that they would be stipulated
2 into the record.

3 THE EXAMINER: Do you want it as one exhibit?

4 MR. JACK: We have it marked, your Honor, in the
5 stipulation as five separate company exhibits.

6 THE EXAMINER: Okay.

7 MR. JACK: Company Exhibit No. 1, being the Annual
8 Summary Report. Company --

9 THE EXAMINER: You can just go through it.

10 MR. JACK: The -- If we could have marked Company
11 Exhibit 2, the prehearing data of Monongahela Power Company;
12 Company Exhibit No. 3 is the direct testimony of Jeffrey Adams;
13 Company Exhibit No. 4 is the direct testimony of Michael Hess,
14 and finally, Company Exhibit No. 5, the publication and the
15 certificate from the Marietta Times representing due compliance
16 with the publication requirements, and put them into evidence.

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18 Thereupon, Company Exhibit Nos. 1 through 5
19 were marked for purposes of identification.

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21 THE EXAMINER: Ms. Bair?

22 MS. BAIR: Thank you. I would like to move into
23 evidence Commission-ordered Exhibit No. 1.

24 THE EXAMINER: I'll do those first. If there are no
25 objections, Company Exhibit Nos. 1 through 5 are admitted.

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Thereupon, Company Exhibit Nos. 1 through 5
were received into evidence.

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THE EXAMINER: Ms. Bair?

MS. BAIR: Thank you. Commission-ordered Exhibit
No. 1 is the Management/Performance Audit report; it was
received in docketing on May 26th, 2000.

I would also like to move into evidence
Commission-ordered Exhibit No. 2 which is the Financial Audit,
and it was also docketed on May 26th, 2000.

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Thereupon, Commission-ordered Exhibit Nos. 1 and 2
were marked for purposes of identification.

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THE EXAMINER: If there are no objections, Commission
Exhibits 1 and 2 are admitted.

(No Response.)

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Thereupon, Commission-ordered Exhibit Nos. 1 and 2
were received into evidence.

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THE EXAMINER: Anything further? No exhibits from
Office of Consumers' Counsel?

MS. HOTZ: No.

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1 THE EXAMINER: I hope you don't feel left out. If
2 there is nothing further, this hearing is therefore adjourned,
3 and thank you.

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5 (Thereupon, the hearing was concluded at
6 10:10 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2000.)

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