BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Commission's Review of its Rules for Energy Efficiency Programs Contained in Chapter 4901:1-39 of the Ohio Administrative Code.)))	Case No. 13-651-EL-ORD
In the Matter of the Commission's Review of its Rules for the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standard Contained in Chapter 4901:1-40 of the Ohio Administrative Code.)))	Case No. 13-652-EL-ORD
In the Matter of the Amendment of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 4901:1-40, Regarding the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standard, to Implement Am. Sub. S.B. 315.)))	Case No. 12-2156-EL-ORD

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On January 29, 2014, the Commission issued an entry initiating the statutorily mandated review, pursuant to R.C. 119.032, of the Commission's rules for energy efficiency programs (EE Rules) and alternative energy portfolio standard (AEPS Rules) in Ohio Adm.Code Chapters 4901:1-39 and 4901:1-40, respectively. The entry included Staff's proposed changes to the EE Rules to, inter alia, incorporate the Mercantile Customer (EEC) Pilot Program adopted in Case No. 10-0834-EL-POR, to accommodate combined heat and power (CHP) and waste energy recovery (WER) systems under S.B. 315, and to change the administrative review processes for analyzing each electric utility's energy efficiency and peak demand reduction (EEDR) portfolios and updating the EEDR technical reference manual. In addition, the entry included Staff's proposed changes to the AEPS Rules to include CHP and WER systems under S.B. 315, and listed additional topics for the consideration of all stakeholders. Finally, the entry directed stakeholders to file initial comments by February 28, 2014, and reply comments by March 14, 2014.
- (2) On March 4, 2014, the Ohio electric distribution utilities (EDUs) filed a joint motion for expedited review of their request to

extend the filing deadline for file reply comments by all interested parties to March 24, 2014. In support of their motion, the EDUs note the delays in service of initial comments caused by the closure of the Commission's offices on February 28, 2014, the large number of initial comments filed by the stakeholders, and the many different subject areas encompassed by these two chapters, that require different expertise and EDU personnel to address.

- (3) The EDU's motion is the first request for an extension of time, and no stakeholder has filed an objection or will be prejudiced by the granting of this motion. Accordingly, the EDU's motion will be granted for good cause shown, and all stakeholders will be granted until March 24, 2014, to file reply comments.
- (4) A motion for leave to file, instanter, the initial comments of Midwest Cogeneration Association (MAC) was also filed on March 4, 2014, to permit the late filing of the MAC's initial comments. As the time for filing of reply comments is being extended, this motion should also be granted.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the motions of the EDUs and MAC be granted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That all stakeholders be granted until March 24, 2014, to file reply comments. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a notice or copy of this Entry be served upon the electric-energy list-serve, and all persons of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

s/ Richard Bulgrin

By: Richard M. Bulgrin Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry grants motions by the EDUs and MAC and gives all stakeholders until 03/24/2014 to file reply comments. - electronically filed by Sandra Coffey on behalf of Richard Bulgrin, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio