

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Duke )  
Energy Ohio, Inc., for Approval of ) Case No. 13-1539-EL-ESS  
Proposed Reliability Standards. )

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On June 28, 2013, as amended on August 12, 2013, Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke), filed the instant application, requesting approval of its updated system reliability targets, in accordance with Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-10-10.
- (2) By Entry issued April 10, 2014, the attorney examiner established the following procedural schedule:
  - (a) Duke shall file its testimony by May 29, 2014.
  - (b) Staff and intervenors shall file testimony by June 4, 2014.
  - (c) The evidentiary hearing shall commence on June 10, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Hearing Room 11-D, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

In addition, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-10-10(B)(6)(e), the attorney examiner required Duke to publish notice of the hearing by April 30, 2014.

- (3) On April 24, 2014, the Ohio Energy Group (OEG) filed a motion to intervene in this matter. In support of its motion, OEG states that it represents the interests of large industrial customers in electric proceedings and its members may be directly affected by the outcome of this proceeding. OEG states that no other party represents its interest and its intervention will not unduly delay the proceeding or unjustly prejudice any existing party. No one filed in opposition to OEG's motion. The attorney examiner finds that the motion to intervene filed by OEG is reasonable and should be granted.

- (4) On May 27, 2014, Duke, the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, and Staff filed a joint motion requesting a 30-day continuance of the procedural schedule in this case. The movants state that they are discussing resolution of the issues presented and need additional time to continue discussions.
- (5) Upon consideration of the motion, the attorney examiner finds that it is reasonable and should be granted. However, in order to preserve publication and permit any interested person the opportunity to testify at the hearing, the hearing scheduled for June 10, 2014, will be held for the purpose of accepting any public testimony. At the conclusion of the public testimony, the hearing will be adjourned and then will reconvene at a later time for the evidentiary portion of the hearing, as scheduled below. Accordingly, the procedural schedule should be revised, as follows:
  - (a) Duke shall file its testimony by June 30, 2014.
  - (b) Staff and intervenors shall file testimony by July 11, 2014.
  - (c) The evidentiary hearing shall reconvene on July 22, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Hearing Room 11-D, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the motion to intervene filed by OEG be granted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That, in accordance with finding (5), the motion to continue the procedural schedule is granted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the revised procedural schedule set forth in finding (5) be adopted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

s/ Christine M.T. Pirik

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By: Christine M.T. Pirik  
Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry establishing a new procedural schedule; electronically filed by Vesta R Miller on behalf of Christine M.T. Pirik, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio