BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of) Ohio Power Company to Establish Initial) Storm Damage Recovery Rider Rates.)

Case No. 12-3255-EL-RDR

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio (AEP Ohio) is a public utility as defined in R.C. 4905.02 and an electric utility as defined in R.C. 4928.01(A)(11), and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On August 8, 2012, the Commission modified and approved an application for an electric security plan (ESP) filed by AEP Ohio. In re Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company, Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO, et al., Opinion and Order (Aug. 8, 2012), Entry on Rehearing (Jan. 30, 2013). The ESP, as approved, established a storm damage recovery mechanism to enable AEP Ohio to recover incremental expenses incurred due to major storm events.
- (3) On December 21, 2012, in the above-captioned case, AEP Ohio filed an application to establish its initial storm damage recovery rider (SDRR) rates to allow for recovery of major storm restoration costs. In the application, AEP Ohio explained that the costs were associated with the June 29, 2012 derecho, as well as two other major storm events that occurred in July 2012. On March 1, 2013, AEP Ohio supplemented its application by filing a revised Exhibit D.
- (4) On December 6, 2013, a joint stipulation and recommendation (stipulation) was filed by AEP Ohio, Staff, Ohio Energy Group, The Kroger Company, Industrial Energy Users-Ohio, Ohio Manufacturers' Association Energy Group, and Ohio Hospital Association.

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- (5) By Opinion and Order issued on April 2, 2014, the Commission found that the stipulation entered into by the signatory parties was reasonable and should be adopted. Accordingly, the Commission found that AEP Ohio's application to establish initial SDRR rates, as filed on December 21, 2012, and revised on March 1, 2013, should be approved and modified, consistent with the terms of the stipulation and the Opinion and Order.
- (6) On April 15, 2014, AEP Ohio filed tariffs pursuant to the Opinion and Order and the stipulation approved by the Commission.
- (7) On June 27, 2014, AEP Ohio filed proposed revised tariffs due to a typographical error in the original compliance filing, which listed the non-residential SDRR rate as \$9.32 per month instead of \$9.82 per month. AEP Ohio requests that the corrected tariffs be approved to take effect with the first billing cycle in August 2014.
- (8) The Commission finds that AEP Ohio's proposed revised tariffs should be approved, effective with the first billing cycle in August 2014.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That AEP Ohio's proposed revised tariffs be approved. It is, further,

ORDERED, That AEP Ohio be authorized to file, in final form, two complete copies of the revised tariffs, consistent with this Finding and Order. AEP Ohio shall file one copy in its TRF docket and one copy in this case docket. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Finding and Order shall be binding upon this Commission in any future proceeding or investigation involving the justness or reasonableness of any rate, charge, rule, or regulation. It is, further, ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon each party of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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