In the Matter of the Application for Integration of Mercantile Customer Energy Efficiency or Peak-Demand Reduction Programs between Toledo Edison and University of Toledo

Case No. 15-0489-EL-EEC

Rule 4901:1-39-05, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), permits a mercantile customer to file, either individually or jointly with an electric utility, an application to commit the customer's demand reduction, demand response, and energy efficiency programs for integration with the electric utility's programs. In the above captioned case, University of Toledo (Applicant) filed an individual application in accordance with the mercantile application program established by the Commission in case 10-834-EL-EEC. In the application, University of Toledo proposes committing to Toledo Edison the electrical energy savings attributed to a re-lamping project on its main campus. The applicant requested an exemption from the DSE2 rider for a period of 19 days.

On April 20, 2015, the automatic approval process was suspended for this case, pursuant to Commission entry, to allow Staff time to obtain additional information and conduct further review of the filings.

Staff contacted the Applicant's representative and explained that mercantile applications for integration in the Toledo Edison service territory require that the efficiency projects achieve enough electrical savings to mirror the utility's benchmark requirement for a minimum of one month. Staff determined that this application does not meet the minimum electrical savings requirement needed to exempt the customer for one month, and recommends that the Commission deny the application. Further, Staff recommends that the applicant refile this project in combination with other projects that may help them meet this one month threshold.

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