BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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Jeffrey Pitzer,

Complainant, : Case No. 15-298-GE-CSS

VS.

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Duke Energy, Ohio, Inc., :

Respondent, :

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1 Tuesday Morning Session, 2 February 2, 2016. 3 EXAMINER PARROT: All right. Let's go on 4 the record. This is the continuation of the hearing 5 6 in Case No. 15-298-GE-CSS. Let's get started with 7 brief appearances this morning, just names only and 8 on whose behalf you are appearing today, and we will 9 start with the Complainant. 10 MR. LANE: Donald Lane for the 11 Complainant, Jeffrey Pitzer. 12 EXAMINER PARROT: Thank you. 13 OCC. 14 MR. ETTER: On behalf of Ohio's 15 residential utility customers, Terry L. Etter, 16 Assistant Consumers' Counsel, and Kimberly W. Bojko 17 from Carpenter Lipps & Leland. 18 EXAMINER PARROT: Thank you, Mr. Etter. 19 And on behalf of the Respondent. 20 MS. SPILLER: Thank you, your Honor. 21 behalf of Duke Energy Ohio, Amy Spiller and Robert 2.2 McMahon. 23 EXAMINER PARROT: Thank you, Ms. Spiller. 24 Do the parties have any preliminary 25 matters before we take our next witness?

252 All right. The company may call its first 1 2 witness. MS. SPILLER: Thank you, your Honor. At 3 this time Duke Energy Ohio would call Joshua 4 5 Danzinger to the stand, please. 6 (Witness sworn.) 7 EXAMINER PARROT: Please have a seat. 8 MS. SPILLER: And, your Honor, may we 9 approach, please? 10 EXAMINER PARROT: You may. 11 MS. SPILLER: For purposes of 12 identification, we would ask that Mr. Danzinger's 13 direct testimony docketed on December 30, 2015, in 14 this matter, be identified as Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit J. 15 16 EXAMINER PARROT: So marked. 17 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 18 MS. SPILLER: Thank you. 19 20 JOSHUA W. DANZINGER 2.1 being first duly sworn, as prescribed by law, was 2.2 examined and testified as follows: 23 DIRECT EXAMINATION 24 By Ms. Spiller: 25 Q. Good morning, Mr. Danzinger.

- A. Good morning.
- Q. Do you have before you, sir, what has been marked as Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit J?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And, sir, can you please identify yourself for the record, please.
 - A. Joshua Wayne Danzinger.
 - Q. And by whom are you employed?
- 9 A. Duke Energy.
- Q. And, sir, the document that you have before you, Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit J, is that a copy of your direct testimony filed in this proceeding?
- 14 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. And, sir, do you have any corrections or changes to that testimony this morning?
- 17 A. No.
- Q. And, Mr. Danzinger, if I were to ask you today the questions that appear in Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit J, would your answers be the same?
- 21 A. Yes.
- MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, we would tender
 the admission of Mr. Danzinger's direct testimony
 Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit J for admission subject to
 cross-examination.

254 1 EXAMINER PARROT: All right. Thank you. 2 MS. SPILLER: And at this point, 3 Mr. Danzinger is available for cross. EXAMINER PARROT: Have a preference in 4 terms of the order here? 5 MR. LANE: Yeah. And for the record, we 6 7 have no objection to the testimony on behalf of Mr. Pitzer. 8 9 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. We will get to 10 that after we finish with the examination, but do you have a preference in terms of the order? 11 12 MR. LANE: Yes. I'll start. 13 EXAMINER PARROT: Mr. Lane. 14 MR. LANE: May I approach? 15 EXAMINER PARROT: You may. 16 17 CROSS-EXAMINATION 18 By Mr. Lane: 19 Mr. Danzinger, I am going to refer you to 20 some documents, this stack here. If you want to set 2.1 that one aside. I may be referring to some of these 22 and the letter is in the upper right-hand corner of 23 those. 24 MR. LANE: I am going to be referring to a

couple of the exhibits that we marked yesterday and

then also we are going to mark one additional exhibit today and I have already given it to the court reporter. Copies for counsel and for you.

EXAMINER PARROT: Thank you.

MR. LANE: Sure.

- Q. All right. Mr. Danzinger, based on the testimony that's been submitted by you, it's fair to say you do not have any personal recollection of disconnecting services on November 4, 2011, at the Easterling residence; is that correct?
 - A. That would be fair to say.
- Q. All right. Mr. Danzinger, I want to refer to your testimony. That's the one that Mr. McMahon just gave you. Do you have that in front of you?
 - A. I do.

- Q. All right. Starting on page 4, lines 13 through 16, Mr. Danzinger, right there, that's where you describe what you do when you go to a residence to perform a disconnection; is that correct? Or what you did.
- MS. SPILLER: I am going to object to the extent I think this mischaracterizes the testimony.

 It reflects a part of it.
- 24 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
 - Q. Do you see where I am referring, lines 14

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- A. I do.
- Q. It says "In order to do that, I would start by ringing the doorbell," et cetera. And that's how you would start to make contact when you went to a residence to perform a disconnection; is that correct?
- A. That is correct.
 - Q. At least in 2011.
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. All right. Mr. Danzinger, have you ever 12 had occasion, when you were performing those duties 13 back in 2011, to be made aware of the regulations, 14 the PUCO regulations, concerning disconnections and 15 what you are required to do?
- A. As far as making customer contact?
- 17 O. Correct.
- A. Yes. We are aware that it is regulation to attempt customer contact.
- Q. Okay. And is that all you have to do is connect -- is to attempt customer contact?
- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. All right. I am going to read to you Ohio
 Administrative Code 4901:1-18-06(A)(2). And it
 states "On the day of disconnection of service, the

utility company shall provide the customer with personal notice. If the customer is not at home, the utility company shall provide personal notice to an adult consumer. If neither the consumer nor an adult consumer is at home, the utility company shall attach written notice to the premises...." That regulation requires that you ascertain that no one is at home; isn't that correct?

MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, I'm going to object. No. 1, Mr. Lane is offering a version of a rule. He has read it. He has not bothered to give it to the witness. He is now attempting to solicit legal opinions from this witness.

MR. LANE: Your Honor, I believe the regulation speaks for itself and I read the portion to Mr. Danzinger that I wanted him to focus on. If he doesn't understand, he can ask and I will certainly repeat it.

EXAMINER PARROT: And, Mr. Danzinger, I do think it's fair if you wish to see a printed copy of the regulation, let us know that. But I am going to instruct you to answer the question.

- A. Okay. Please reread it.
- 24 Q. Sure.

25 EXAMINER PARROT: You can do it that way,

too.

MR. LANE: I'm sorry?

EXAMINER PARROT: And I was just going to say we can do it that way too. Maybe go through it a little more slower, Mr. Lane. That was quite a bit you read there.

MR. LANE: Okay.

- Q. (By Mr. Lane) "On the day of disconnection of service, the utility company shall provide the customer with personal notice. If the customer is not at home, the utility company shall provide personal notice to an adult consumer. If neither the customer nor an adult consumer is at home, the utility company shall attach written notice to the premises in a conspicuous location prior to disconnecting service." So that regulation states, would you agree, that you have to ascertain if someone is actually not at home before you leave the notice; isn't that correct?
- A. That was taught and practiced, yes. I do agree.
 - Q. So it's not sufficient then, wouldn't you agree with me, just to knock on the door. You actually have to ascertain no one is at home before you leave the notice; isn't that correct?

- A. In my own personal opinion the way I would ascertain it may be different than the way someone else may ascertain that. Doing so without looking into somebody's privacy by looking through the windows would be going too far. A doorbell and a knock is all I would feel comfortable on someone else's property being able to do.
- Q. Okay. All right. But according to the regulation, you would agree with me, would you not, you have to actually ascertain the person is not home before you leave the notice; isn't that correct?

 MS. SPILLER: Objection. Asked and answered.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- A. In my best opinion, ascertain, yes.
- Q. All right. Thank you.

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- Mr. Danzinger, you actually stopped doing disconnection -- disconnections about a month after the incident that we are here about today; isn't that correct?
 - A. I view the timeline very close to that.
- Q. Well, according to your testimony, and I can refer you to it if you want, it says December of 2011 is when you transferred to a new position; is that correct?

A. That is correct.

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- Q. All right. Mr. Danzinger, based on your testimony, I believe that you indicated that DNP orders are actually generated by the CMS, Customer Service Database?
- A. That is where I receive the order from. When it is -- when the order is established and created, that's kind of, you know, we didn't know much about that. If it's on the screen in the morning, it was given to me. That's as far as we knew.
- Q. Okay. But that information generates from the Customer Service Database; isn't that correct?
 - A. I assume that is correct.
- Q. All right. And you heard Ms. Byndon's testimony yesterday because you were here, and she testified the Customer Service Database contains information about that account; isn't that correct?
- A. That is correct.
- Q. So the -- or the order to disconnect generates from the same system that contains other information about the account; wouldn't you agree with me?
- A. Agreed. As she stated, portions of what is in CMS.

- Q. All right. Let's go to page 4, line 3 of your testimony.
 - A. Page 4, line 3?
- Q. Correct. Now, this part of your testimony you are talking about what you do when you actually visit a property to perform a disconnect; is that correct? You can take your time and look at it if you need to.
 - A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. All right. And on line 3 of your testimony, you state that you would record the details of the assignment into your laptop; isn't that correct?
- 14 A. Correct.

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- 15 Q. That laptop was one that was issued to you by Duke; it wasn't your personal laptop; isn't that correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
 - Q. So it's fair to say if you performed a disconnection, you would enter the details of that disconnection into a company laptop; is that correct?
- A. Yes. Is there a particular detail you are asking about?
- 24 Q. No.
- 25 A. Then yes.

Q. All right. Would it -- and it would be fair to say, based on your testimony, that any detail that came up concerning that disconnection, it would have been your habit to enter that into the laptop, correct?

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- A. If anything special or circumstantial or anything at all worth of note would have happened, it would have been recorded.
- Q. All right. Mr. Danzinger, I would like you now to go to Exhibit I, that's the one I showed you in the stack of documents marked Pitzer.
- EXAMINER PARROT: Mr. Lane, just for the record, can you identify for us what Pitzer I is.
 - MR. LANE: Yes. Pitzer I is a collection of 10 pages of responses that Duke has made to written discovery in this case.
- EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Thank you. So marked.
- 19 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
- 20 MR. LANE: And they are selected portions
 21 I am going to be reviewing with Mr. Danzinger and
 22 Mr. Carmosino this morning.
- EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Thank you.
- MR. LANE: For efficiency sake, I have put them all together.

- Q. (By Mr. Lane) Could you refer to page 2 of that exhibit, Mr. Danzinger.
- A. The first two pages are labeled 1, so the second page or?
- Q. Right. So it's Pitzer I at the top. It says page 1. Do you see that in handwriting?
 - A. Yep, I do.
- Q. Okay. All right. Now, the question there says "Identify any and all persons having either direct or indirect knowledge of the disconnection of utility service at the Residence...." Do you see that at the top?
- 13 A. I do.

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- Q. And do you see you are listed as a person with knowledge of the disconnection about three quarters of the way down the page?
- 17 A. I do.
- Q. But as we discussed before, Mr. Danzinger,
 you don't have any personal recollection of
 disconnecting service at the Easterling house, do
 you?
- 22 A. I do not.
- 23 Q. Thank you.
- Would you go to page 6 of the exhibit, please.

A. I am there.

Q. All right. The request there says "Did a Duke employee provide personal notice to a resident of the property as required by OAC 4901:1-18-06(A)(2) on the date of disconnection..." And by the way, that's the section I just read to you, at least part of it. And Duke responds "Without waiving said objection to the extent discoverable, and in the spirit of discovery, notice, as required...was provided on November 4, 2011." Mr. Danzinger, you don't have personal recollection of posting a notice on the premises, do you?

MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, I am going to object. No. 1, Mr. Danzinger is not responsible for this particular interrogatory and, you know, Mr. Lane is here just reading information into the record and not properly authenticating any of it with this witness.

MR. LANE: Your Honor, I have already authenticated the fact that these are Duke discovery responses. I don't think any further authentication is necessary. I'm simply asking the witness what he knows about discovery responses that Duke provided.

MS. SPILLER: And this is not one that he provided, so he is trying to backdoor in this

discovery request through a witness who is not responsible for this response.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, if I may respond?

EXAMINER PARROT: You may.

MS. BOJKO: Many of the Duke responses claim "legal" and don't put a responsible party. So we have no option but to ask a variety of witnesses when they have no responsible party indicated.

EXAMINER PARROT: The objection to the question that's pending is overruled. We'll see where we go from here with it.

MR. LANE: Could you read back the question, please.

(Record read.)

MS. SPILLER: I am also going to object.

Mr. Lane is confusing this question based upon what was written on the paper and what he has just asked. This question was about personal notice to a resident. And there was an objection that he -- he omitted and what that phrase was interpreted to mean and now he is asking about posting the building.

EXAMINER PARROT: Again, the objection to the actual question that is pending is overruled.

Q. (By Mr. Lane) All right. So,

Mr. Danzinger, to summarize, you don't have any

personal knowledge of delivering a notice to anyone at the residence on that day; is that correct?

A. That's correct.

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- Q. And you don't have any personal knowledge of posting a notice on the residence the day of the disconnect; isn't that correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. All right. Are you aware of any -- well, let me back up. Based on your testimony you believe if that notice had been provided to someone there or posted on the house, you are the one that would have done it; isn't that correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. Are you aware of anybody else at Duke who would have personal knowledge of either contacting the customer or posting a notice at the residence besides yourself?
- A. Within my department and the people that's around me at Duke Energy, it would have been me and only me that would have dropped that notice that day.
 - Q. All right. Thank you.

If you look at page 7, which is the next page of Exhibit I, the question there says "Did a Duke employee attempt to provide personal notice to a resident of the Property on date of disconnection,

November 4, 2011, but was unsuccessful?" The response after the objections of Duke says "Without waiving said objection, to the extent discoverable, and in the spirit of discovery, there was no response to the actions of Josh Danzinger while at the property on November 4 of 2011." And you are listed as a responsible person on that response. Do you see that?

A. Yes, I see that.

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- Q. Okay. And, Mr. Danzinger, as you sit here today, you would agree with me, would you not, that you do not have a recollection that you did not get a response from anyone at the residence on that day?
 - A. I do not have recollection.
- Q. Go over to page 8, please, that's the next page of the exhibit. The request to Duke there says "If personal notice was not provided, did a Duke employee attach written notice of the disconnection in a conspicuous location on the Property on the date of disconnection, November 4, 2011, as required by Ohio Administrative Code 4901:1-18-06(A)(2)?" The response is "Yes" and you are listed as the responsible person. Mr. Danzinger, you would agree with me, would you not, you don't have any personal recollection of posting a notice at the residence on

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MS. SPILLER: Objection. Asked and

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EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- 5 A. That is correct, I do not have personal recollection.
- Q. Mr. Danzinger, I would like you to refer to page 9, please, that's the very next page.
- 9 Question: "If the response to Interrogatory 3-015 is
- 10 affirmative," and that's the prior page we described,
- "where did the employee attach written notice of the
- 12 disconnection?" The response from Duke is "The
- 13 | Property's front door" and you are listed as the
- 14 person responsible. You would agree with me,
- 15 Mr. Danzinger, you don't have personal recollection
- of attaching a notice to the front door of the
- 17 property; isn't that correct?
- 18 MS. SPILLER: Objection. Asked and
- 19 answered.
- 20 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- 21 A. That is correct, no personal recollection.
- Q. Okay. Mr. Danzinger, the same stack of
- 23 exhibits, would you refer to Exhibit D, Pitzer
- 24 Exhibit D.
- 25 A. I'm there.

- Q. All right. Mr. Danzinger, I will represent to you, I believe Ms. Byndon testified yesterday that this is a screenshot from the Customer Service Database concerning the residence at issue in this case. It appears as though there was information entered into on -- entered into the system on January 24 of 2011. Could you read the light blue comment about halfway through -- down the page that begins with "Side door."
- 10 A. "Side door, customer elderly, please give time to answer door."
 - Q. Okay.

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- MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, I am going to object and move to strike. Ms. Byndon already testified that is a meter read instruction. And we are now just asking this witness, who is not responsible for this document, to read select portions into the record.
- MR. LANE: And, your Honor, I think that's up to you to determine if this is relevant testimony and to give it its proper weight on what this document means.
- MS. SPILLER: The document has already been admitted into the record.
- 25 EXAMINER PARROT: It's in the record. I

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am fine with the testimony. Let's move on.
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- Q. (By Mr. Lane) So, Mr. Danzinger, that statement that you just read makes reference to the side door of the residence, does it not?
- A. It does.

6 MR. LANE: I have no further questions.

EXAMINER PARROT: Ms. Bojko.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you, your Honor.

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CROSS-EXAMINATION

11 By Ms. Bojko:

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- 12 Q. Good morning, Mr. Danzinger.
- A. Good morning.
- 14 Q. I think as you heard yesterday my name is
- 15 | Kim Bojko and I represent the office of the Ohio
- 16 | Consumers' Counsel. You stated you were employed by
- 17 Duke Energy. You are employed by Duke Energy
- 18 | Business Services; is that correct?
- 19 A. I believe that is correct.
- 20 Q. And they provide services to Duke Ohio,
- 21 | Duke Energy Ohio?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. And, sir, did you prepare your testimony
- 24 by yourself or did you have assistance in preparation
- 25 of it?

- A. I had assistance.
- Q. Did you have assistance from anybody other than your counsel?
- 4 A. No.

- Q. You were a disconnection-for-nonpayment worker at Duke Ohio in November, 2011; is that correct?
- 8 A. That is correct.
- 9 Q. And your job duties at that time included 10 completing orders for disconnecting service; is that 11 correct?
- 12 A. That is correct.
- Q. And there were other duties, you would have to read the meter; is that correct?
- 15 A. That is also correct.
- Q. And you would also have to seal a meter?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And you did that for electric and gas?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. You held the position of a DNP worker for approximately a year and a half; is that correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And then in December, 2011, you became a premises mechanic?
- 25 A. That's correct.

- Q. And what are your duties as a premises mechanic?
- A. Doing gas work, nonemergency gas work, changing gas meters, turning gas meters on, turning GAG meters off, lighting appliance pilot lights, and such.
- Q. And on page 2, do you have your testimony in front of you, page 2, line 11 of your testimony, you state that the purpose of your testimony is to explain the steps and actions you would take when disconnecting a resident; is that correct?
- A. That is correct.
- Q. Do you know when the DNP for electric and gas was created?
- 15 A. I do not.

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- Q. It's your understanding there was a DNP created for both gas and electric services at 11312
 Orchard Street, correct?
- 19 A. Yes, it is my understanding.
- Q. And, sir, when you go to a house, are you required to wear identification?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. In fact, you would wear a shirt like you have now which says "Duke Energy"?
- 25 A. This very shirt and more identification on

my hard hat.

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- Q. And that was true back in 2011 as a DNP worker?
- 4 A. Yes.
- Q. Let's talk about the process that you discuss in your testimony. On page 3, do you know how many disconnections were assigned to you on November 4, 2011?
 - A. I do not.
- 10 Q. Do you know how many would have been assigned to you on an average day?
- MS. SPILLER: Objection to the relevance.
- 13 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- A. Completely depends on the area we are working.
- Q. And at that time you would have been assigned gas and electric disconnection, correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 20 Deen just for gas or they would have been just for electric?
- A. Sometimes I do get a gas only when there
 is an electric meter there. Sometimes vice versa, I
 get electric only when there was a gas meter there.
- 25 Most of the time you would get both gas and electric

- at the same house at the same time.
- Q. And after you received your assignments,
 you state you would review the customers' addresses;
 is that correct?
- 5 A. I'm sorry.
- Q. You would review the customers' addresses before leaving for the day.
 - A. Yes.

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- 9 MS. SPILLER: Do you want to perhaps
 10 reference a line you are referring to?
- Q. And would you review the customer's accounts and information you had, notes on the accounts, special instructions?
- A. Are you referring to on the laptop or on the paperwork?
- 16 O. Either one.
- A. Yeah, as I will pull up to a driveway, I would look at what I had in front of me or a street -- or a house that's stated. When I pull up to each house, I review before I get out of the truck.
- Q. So you actually pull up the account information on your laptop?
- A. That's in the action of pressing "on site"
 which is stated in here at some point.

Q. So you press "on site" and the account information pops up for you to review.

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- A. Payment information, last payment made, minimum -- minimum balance due to prevent disconnection, total balance due, and things of that nature.
- Q. And would the DNP for gas and electric, would there be separate screens for gas and electric or would they have been the same screen?
 - A. They would be separate screens.
- Q. And you would review both screens?
- A. Generally, I would not review the gas screen if I was able to reach the electric meter.
 - Q. So if you were able to reach the electric meter, you would turn off the electric, and you would then proceed to turn off the gas without reviewing the account?
 - A. I would not --

MS. SPILLER: Excuse me, Mr. Danzinger.

Your Honor, I am going to object. I think we are
well into friendly cross here with Mr. Danzinger, and
this case concerns the disconnection of electric
services. So I think we are going beyond that which
is identified in Mr. Danzinger's direct testimony.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

THE WITNESS: Repeat the question, please. (Record read.)

- A. That is incorrect. I generally would not turn off the gas if I was able to reach the electric.
- Q. And why would you choose to only turn off one if you had a DNP for both?
- A. That was practice at Duke Energy at that time in 2011. If we could reach the electric, we would do the electric only and come back 7 to 10 days later for the gas.
- Q. And once you arrived at the customer's house, would you park on the street or would you park in the customer's driveway?
 - A. Depending on the situation.
- Q. Explain, please.

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- A. Some streets are unsafe to park on.
- Fast-moving streets, if it was a residential suburban neighborhood and it was safe parking, no handicap, no fire hydrants, things of that nature, if I could park on the street, I would. It was safer for me to do so.
- Q. Do you recall, for the Easterling home, if you parked on the street or the driveway?
- 24 A. I do not personally recall.
- Q. And once you parked, you said you would

open your laptop and you would find the account screen and type "on site" and all the notes following that would be on that system in your laptop; is that accurate?

- A. As I was driving to the account, I would have been "in route," and then to "on site" it's a click of one button that looks like a house and then it would open up where I had previously said payment information would be found.
- Q. And that's where you would type in any account notes that you needed to type in?
- A. No. I hit a separate tab called "submit," and I would type in the meter read and then hit a checkmark to send.
 - Q. Is that the screen where you would type in any account notes that might be needed?
 - A. That is that very screen.
 - Q. So after you hit the "on site" button, then you would get out of your truck and walk up to the house; is that correct?
 - A. Correct.
- Q. And then you would attempt to make contact with the customer or adult consumer at the premise?
- A. Correct.

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Q. And on page 4, line 12, you state that you

knock to attempt to do that. How much time do you wait after you knock on a customer's door for them to answer?

MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, I am again going to object to the friendly cross. This all could have been elicited by Mr. Lane, the Complainant's counsel, in this case.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- A. The question was I would then knock and how much time would I give?
- Q. Yes.

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- 12 I would knock and ring the doorbell. 13 Sometimes the doorbell wouldn't work. You would 14 knock and do both and you would give, I guess the 15 best way to answer is, in one's opinion, a fair 16 amount of time. Some houses are mansions, some 17 houses are literally 10-feet long and 10-feet deep. 18 If you hear no movement in the house, nothing is 19 happening at all, you are standing there and nobody 20 comes to the door, then nobody comes to the door.
 - Q. So do you wait 30 seconds? One minute?
 - A. It varies at each and every house.
- Q. And do you know how long you waited at the door of the Easterlings' house on November 4, 2011?
 - A. I do not.

- Q. And you also state in your testimony if there is more than one door or if the customer's account had a note about a specific door to use, you would go and try multiple doors; is that correct?
- A. That is incorrect. I would pick the door that is -- looks like it is the best to use. If the front door looks like it is ever used then that is the one that I would try to use.
- Q. So on page 4, line 15 of your testimony, where it says "If there was more than one door or if the customer's account had a note about a specific door to use, I would try the other doors." That's incorrect? You would go to the first door that looks like it is used or available?
- A. Yeah. It's safe to say I would try the best-looking door at the house.
 - Q. Best-looking door?

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- A. One that looks to me like it is used often. Attached garage, they would have to walk from garage to house, would signify maybe there's a door closest to the garage. I mean, you can just kind of tell. Some doors are used and some doors aren't.
- Q. So if there is a backdoor that's close to the garage, that's the door you would attempt to use?

 MS. SPILLER: Objection. That misstates

his testimony.

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A. No.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- A. Not necessarily because even if the backdoor is closest to some attached garage buildings, that requires me to further walk deeper into a customer's property that I am not necessarily invited on.
- Q. And if the customer's account had a note on it as stated on line 16, you would still use the door that you perceived to be the best door?
- A. That is correct.
 - Q. So your testimony is inaccurate with regard to which door you would use; is that correct?

 MS. SPILLER: Objection. That misstates his testimony.

17 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- A. One more time. I'm sorry.
- Q. The testimony that you provided on lines
 15 and 16 is not exactly accurate to the practice
 that you endured in 2011; is that correct?
- A. It's hard to say if it's exactly accurate or inaccurate. Every house is different and each person that asks me this question states it in a different way. So to answer to the best of my

ability, I would try a door that looks to be, in my professional opinion, a used door, and if it was the best attempt, in my opinion, then that was the best attempt in my opinion.

Q. And that's true even if there was an account note to use a specific door?

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- A. If there is an account note to use a specific door, I believe you are referencing the side door, I read for this gentleman here --
 - Q. No. I am just asking in general.
- A. Those account notes really are for the meter readers, so, I mean, that doesn't necessarily change the door I decide to use. If you look at a side door and it looks like a direct basement entry, that's a different door than the meter reading employee is going to use, as he has keys and invited entry and probably knows this customer, than I will choose to use because I have never met this customer, I am not necessarily invited. And also that door may not look like the best door to knock on to get the customer's attention in the home and it probably doesn't have the doorbell neither.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I move to strike the response as not responsive and have my question reread.

MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, I think it was entirely responsive to the question.

EXAMINER PARROT: I agree. Motion to strike is denied.

- Q. I think I was trying to ask you if there is an account note, you don't necessarily follow the account note as you would use the best door in your judgment; is that correct?
- MS. SPILLER: Objection. Asked and answered.
- 11 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

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- A. The account note isn't specific to my job, so I would still just use my best judgment.
 - Q. And you would just pick one door. You would not use multiple doors or try multiple doors; is that correct?
- 17 A. Generally that is correct.
- Q. And you would -- you would then wait the same amount of time for a customer regardless of any notes on the account about the customer's age or disabilities or special needs; is that correct?
- MS. SPILLER: Objection. This assumes facts not in evidence pertinent to this case.
- 24 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- A. I would give them, my professional

opinion, a fair amount of time at each and every house.

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- Q. And the same amount of time at each and every house.
- 5 MS. SPILLER: Objection. That misstates 6 the Witness's testimony.
- MS. BOJKO: I will rephrase. I'm sorry.

 8 I didn't mean to mischaracterize.
 - Q. A similar-sized house, you would leave the same amount of time for a person to answer a door; is that correct?
 - A. Each and every house is different.
- Q. But it's based on your view of the house, not of occupants of the house; is that correct?
 - A. It is based on my professional opinion.
 - Q. If you were able to make contact with the person at the door, if the customer couldn't make a payment, would you give the customer an option of disconnecting the electric versus the gas meter?
 - MS. SPILLER: I am going to object to the relevance of the issue in this case. There is no allegation of failure to -- there is no allegation concerning separation of service.
- MS. BOJKO: Well, we know we disagree with that.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

THE WITNESS: Please reread the question.

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- A. I am unable to provide the separation of service option, but I am able to provide them with phone numbers to call into the office and talk about payment plans and things like separation of service. If they answered and asked to call, I would have given the number and they could have called. Whether they came to that agreement with our office person or not, that's not up to me.
- Q. But you, yourself, do not offer that option; is that correct?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. And if a customer answers the door and they could not make a payment, you would give the customer the disconnection notice and then go to the meter; is that correct?
 - A. If they didn't physically prevent me, then yes. If they refuse to pay, I would disconnect the meter.
 - Q. And I believe you state in your testimony that you would either put the notice on the -- you would tape it on the door or put it between the screen and the door; is that correct?

A. I generally tried to put it in between the screen and door frame, but not all houses have a screen door.

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- Q. And if they don't, you would tape it to the door?
- A. I would tape it or if there was something to -- other way to affix it, but generally tape would be next. If the door was kind of raised above the floor and I could slip it under the door, I would do that. But, you know, it is kind of each and every house is different.
- Q. And you would have to go back to your truck to get the tape to tape it if you could not affix it any other manner?
 - A. No. I wear a tool belt and everything I needed was on it.
 - Q. And I think you said you don't recall where exactly you would have put the notice for the Easterling account on November 4, 2011?
- A. I do not personally recall. I can only guess based on the pictures I was given.
- Q. And if you -- if you knocked and you couldn't make contact, you would place the disconnection notice on the door or slide it under the door or put it on the screens, and then you would

have to go locate the meter; is that correct?

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- A. Yes. If I knocked and rang and there was no response, I would have affixed a disconnect notice in some fashion and then go to the meter.
- Q. And do you know how long that would have taken?
- A. Judging on the view of the house that I seen, it was nearly within arm's reach of the front door, so seconds.
- 10 Q. So you waited seconds for somebody to
- MS. SPILLER: That misstates his testimony.
 - MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, that was his response to my question that asked about a series of events and how long it would take.
- 17 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
 - A. Are you asking me how long it would take for me to seek out and find the electric meter, or how long from the initial knock and doorbell ring until I walked to the meter would that take?
 - Q. I was asking about a series of events but let's ask about electric meter. How long would it take you to find an electric meter?
- 25 A. In this case I would have already known

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where it was before I knocked because I would have
had to pass it to get to the front door or the side
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- And it's your understanding that -- strike Ο. t.hat.
- And it's your understanding that the Easterlings did not have a meter that could be remotely shut off; is that correct?
 - Α. It is my understanding.
- 10 Do you know if the Easterlings had a 0. traditional analog meter or was it an AMR meter?
- 12 Α. I do not personally recall.
- 13 Q. And you believe that the Easterlings' electric meter was outside; is that correct? 14
- 15 Α. That is what I'm told.
- 16 That is what you were told about the 0. 17 property before you testified today?
- Α. Told and shown in pictures. The pictures 19 that were used yesterday, I believe they were dated 20 September of 2011 or at that year time period.
- On -- on page 5, line 16 of your 2.1 Ο. 22 testimony, you say that if the customer gave you 23 access, do you see that?
 - Line 16, you said? Α.
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- Q. How many electric meters are inside?
- A. Are you talking about a certain area or just what you've seen while I was working those years?
- Q. What you've seen in the year-and-a-half that you were a DNP worker.
 - A. Generally in that area most were outside.

 And in the city areas or closer to the city, most were inside.
- Q. And if a meter was inside and the customer was not at home, they could not give you the access; is that correct?
- 14 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And in that situation would you just return to your car and leave?
 - A. If it were a single-family building, one residence and it was unpaid, I would refer to the overhead electric guys and they would come cut the electric off at the pole.
- Q. And do you know where the Easterlings' gas meter was outside?
- MS. SPILLER: Object to the relevance.
- 24 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- 25 A. It isn't my personal knowledge where it's

at, but through sitting through yesterday I have become aware that it was inside and moved outside.

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- Q. So if the meter reader -- or the gas meter was inside, then a meter reader would have to regularly visit the property to gain access to the meter and to read it; is that correct?
 - A. If it were inside, that is correct.
- Q. And so a meter reader would have to come on a monthly basis and the Easterlings would have to open the door and provide them access; is that correct?
- MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, this assumes facts not in evidence and it conflicts with the meter read instruction that's already been admitted into the record.
- EXAMINER PARROT: Mr. Danzinger, you can answer if you know.
 - A. I can only speculate.
- Q. So in your professional opinion, the meter reader would have to knock on the door and gain access to the property in order to access an inside meter; is that correct?
- MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, the witness has just indicated he would only have to speculate and he shouldn't be asked to do that today.

1 EXAMINER PARROT: Different question.

2 Again, you may answer if you know, Mr. Danzinger.

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- A. Once again, I could only speculate.
- Q. Well, isn't your understanding if a meter reader goes to a property with the gas meter inside, they would have to gain access just as you would have to gain access if you were trying to disconnect that meter?
- A. That is correct. They would have to gain access.
- Q. And is it your understanding that on the Easterlings' bills that there was actually a meter read on a monthly basis?
- A. It is my understanding that all meters get read on a monthly basis.
- Q. So you wouldn't be surprised that the Easterlings' meter was read on a monthly basis.
- A. I have no reason to be surprised about it, unless they had a ferocious dog, then generally they got read.
- Q. But it wouldn't be reflected on the bill it was read if they were unable to read it; is that correct?
- A. One more time, I'm sorry.
- Q. This wouldn't display on the bills that

they were actually read if they were unable to access the meter; is that correct?

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MS. SPILLER: I am going to object to the relevance here about presumed gas meter reads.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- A. I do believe it is displayed on the customer's copy of the bill if the meter was accessed and read, or if it was, what do they call it, if it was accessed or read, or not, then they get a guesstimated bill, I believe, is what they call it.
- Q. So a meter reader has to go to the property on a monthly basis; is that correct?
- A. If these were non-AMI meters, that would be correct.
- Q. And would the gas meter reader wear an identified shirt similar to what you are wearing today that says "Duke Energy" on it?
- A. His states it on the back, and small on the front, but large on the back.
- Q. So a person would know that it was a Duke employee that was coming to read their meter.
 - A. Generally, yes.
- Q. And when you took your meter read at the property at the Easterlings, would you write that down on a piece of paper or would you enter it on an

- electronic device as you are reading it?
- 2 A. If I were the meter reader?
- 3 Q. You. You.

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- A. The day of the disconnect?
- 5 Q. Yes, sir.
- A. I would have written it on paper and went back to my truck when I was completed with the rest of my duties.
- 9 Q. And then transferred it over to the laptop 10 you discussed?
- 11 A. Correct.
- Q. So after you are done reading the meter,
 you would turn off the meter by opening the box; is
 that correct?
- A. Opening the box is the first step.
- 16 Q. Oh, I'm sorry. You would open the box
 17 then you would cap the meter, seal it, and then close
 18 the locked box?
- A. I would open the box, pull the meter cap and seal it, put the meter back in, and then close the box.
- Q. And you have to put plastic pieces over the bottom prongs to keep the electric from passing through the meter; is that accurate?
- A. That's correct, to break continuity.

- Q. And then you have to close the box and lock the box; is that correct?
- A. Correct.
- Q. And then after you lock the box, you would return to your truck?
- A. Yeah.

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- Q. And then you would open up your laptop and enter the meter read and then send the information back to Duke.
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And then you would enter "in route" before 12 leaving to go to another house?
- A. At which point I believe that there was a gas meter disconnect out at this house also. At that point, before I am routed to my next one, I would have on sited and unexecuted that gas meter before I went to the next stop.
 - Q. You would have entered information in the account that you canceled the disconnect of the gas meter; is that correct?
- A. I would have unexecuted. It's different than canceled.
- Q. And to your knowledge would it show
 "canceled" on the CMS system?
- A. It would show "unexecuted," I believe. I

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don't really deal with the CMS. I just unexecute and there it goes.
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MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time, I would like to mark a series of discovery requests to go through. Unfortunately -- I am trying not to mark things multiple times. They appear to be different, your Honor. So at this time I would like to mark as OCC Exhibit I, a discovery request and responses identified as OCC Interrogatory 03-012, 03-013, 03-014 that contain supplemental responses as well as the original response. May I approach?

EXAMINER PARROT: You may. So marked.

(EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

- Q. Do you have, sir, what's in front of you what's been marked as OCC Exhibit I starting with OCC Interrogatory 03-012?
 - A. Yes, I do.

Q. Do you recognize these discovery responses as you are responsive party on 03-012, 03-014, and 03-13 just references back to 03-12?

MS. SPILLER: I would just note for the record "Legal" is also identified as contributing to the response. I think that is not a fair interpretation of the documents.

EXAMINER PARROT: Noted.

MS. SPILLER: Thank you.

- A. I do note that I am part of the response in this document, yes.
- Q. Okay. And you explained previously that you don't recall visiting the Easterling property; is that correct?
 - A. That is correct.

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- Q. And did you after -- with that personal knowledge, you drafted a discovery response that said upon information and belief, meaning somebody else informed you, that nobody answered the property, or nobody answered the door at the property on November 4, 2011?
 - A. I believe it is unclear whether the door was answered or not that day.
- 16 Q. Thank you. And your answer, sir, would be
 17 the same with regard to whether you attempted to
 18 provide personal notice; is that correct?
- 19 A. That I do not personally recollect leaving 20 notice?
- 21 Q. Yes.
- 22 A. That is safe to say.
- Q. And it's unclear whether notice was actually left at the property?
- 25 A. Yes, safe to say I don't personally

296 1 recall. 2 MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I 3 would like to mark OCC-POD-03-006 and 007 as OCC Exhibit J. 4 5 EXAMINER PARROT: So marked. 6 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 7 MS. BOJKO: May I approach? 8 EXAMINER PARROT: You may. 9 Sir, do you have in front of you what's Ο. been marked OCC Exhibit J which is 006? 10 11 J do I Α. 12 Q. Does this appear to be a discovery 13 response from Duke Energy? 14 Α. It does. 15 Q. And, sir, do you know who Bob Ries is? 16 Α. Bob Ries, and yes, I do. 17 I'm sorry, Ries. Q. 18 Ries, yes. That's correct. Α. 19 0. Okay. And was he a supervisor to you at 20 the time? 21 Α. He was above my supervisor. He was my 22 supervisor's boss. 23 Q. Okay. And, sir, does the discovery 24 request ask Duke to provide all documents or other

evidence demonstrating that a Duke employee,

yourself, actually attached written notice in a conspicuous location at the property?

- A. What are you asking?
- Q. Is that the request?
- A. That we attach notice?
- Q. No, no. That you provide all documents or other evidence demonstrating that a Duke employee, which would have been yourself, right?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. Attached notice of the disconnection in a conspicuous location at the property.
- MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, I am going to
 object to the using of this discovery request of the
 witness. He is not identified as the person
 responsible on it.
- MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, he's identified
 the person who is responsible, which is a supervisor
 in his department.
- MS. SPILLER: That makes no difference.
- 20 He is not responsible for this response.
- 21 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. We'll see 22 what the questions are.
- A. I don't -- I don't know what you are asking me.
- Q. I don't recall. I think I just asked if

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the request said that. Is that what the request says?
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- A. I don't know what you are asking.

 EXAMINER PARROT: Start again. That's where you were.
- 6 MS. BOJKO: Okay. Thanks.

- Q. Please provide -- does the request state
 "Please provide all documents or other evidence that
 Duke has demonstrating that a Duke employee attached
 written notice of the disconnection in a conspicuous
 location at the Property"?
- 12 A. Yes, that is what the request says.
- Q. Okay. And the supplemental response says
 "no such document exists"; is that correct?
 - MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, I'm going to object. That absolutely misstates this response in its entirety. Counsel's selectively reading from it with a witness who wasn't responsible for it.
- MS. BOJKO: I'll rephrase, your Honor.

 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay.
 - Q. Does the supplemental response, after objections put forth by legal, say "Without waiving said objection, to the extent discoverable, limiting this request to November 4, 2011, consistent with the attorney examiner's ruling on January 14, 2016,

interpreting 'other evidence' to mean documents, and in the spirit of discovery, no such document exists"?

MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, again same objection. We are trying to use this witness to get into evidence a discovery response for which he is not responsible. Simply asking him if what she read is correct does not give credence to this response that he is not responsible for.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, first of all, he has already agreed he is the Duke employee that's referenced in the discovery response and then he's also stated that the person that is responsible is a supervisor above his supervisor at Duke, so I think he is the responsible person.

MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, that's a certainly very broad reading of what's indicated here, but we are trying to again use this witness, and the OCC could have brought Mr. Reis here today to talk about these responses.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- A. I suppose I can validate that what you read is on the paper.
 - Q. Thank you.

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24 And if you look at OCC-POD-03-007, this 25 one I just want to merely ask if this discovery

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supplemental response, after objections, refers you back to OCC-POD-03-005?
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MS. SPILLER: Again, your Honor, same objection. This witness is not responsible for this particular discovery request.

6 EXAMINER PARROT: Noted and overruled 7 again.

- A. I can't remember what you said.
- Q. I just asked if the last sentence in the supplemental response, after objections, says "see supplemental response to OCC-POD-03-005"?
- 12 A. That is what it reads.

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MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this point I would like to mark as OCC P -- or, excuse me, OCC K, OCC-POD-03-005.

16 EXAMINER PARROT: So marked.

MS. BOJKO: Oh, I'm sorry, your Honor, we marked this one yesterday.

MR. ETTER: It's H.

MS. BOJKO: It's G. Oh, no, H, thank you.

H Confidential. Your Honor, would you like me to
reserve these questions for the confidential session?

I apologize.

EXAMINER PARROT: Yes, I mean if you're intending to get into the exhibit, yes.

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1 MS. BOJKO: Yes, I am.
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EXAMINER PARROT: Just for clarity, it is the same as OCC Exhibit H, so it has already been marked.

MS. BOJKO: Yes. Thank you, your Honor.

Your Honor, may I approach?

EXAMINER PARROT: You may.

MS. BOJKO: Let the record reflect I am handing the witness what's previously been marked as OCC Exhibit C.

- 11 A. Thank you.
- Q. Sir, do you have in front of you what's been marked as OCC Exhibit C?
- 14 A. I do.

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- Q. And does it appear to be Google Maps of a property?
- 17 A. It does.
- Q. And, sir, does it state that it is the property at 11312 Orchard Street?
- 20 A. Yes, it does.
- 21 Q. And do you recollect this house?
- 22 A. I do not.
- Q. And if you could work with me on the first map -- or picture, does it appear there is a driveway on the right side of the property?

- A. Yes, it does.
- Q. And does it appear that there -- if you look at the second picture, does it appear that there are four steps walking up to the property?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And then if you look at the third picture, does it appear that there is -- go to the fourth picture. Does it appear that there is a side door on the left side of the house?
- MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, this witness has just indicated he didn't recall this particular home and now she is asking him just to indicate what these photographs show and I think they speak for themselves. They have already been admitted into the evidence. At this point we are just cumulative and confirming what the photographs show.
- MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, under her theory then, his whole testimony should be stricken because he doesn't recollect anything about the date of November 4, 2011. So I think it's fair game to ask him some questions about the property and where -- what he would have done.
- 23 EXAMINER PARROT: If that's where this is 24 going, I'm fine, so overruled.
- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) So on the November 4, 2011,

- given these pictures, you believe that you would have parked in front of the house or in the driveway?
- A. According to these pictures, in front of the house.
 - Q. And if you go to the last picture, can you see that there is a garage towards the back of the house, back right of the house?
 - A. I can.

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- Q. And so I think you stated previously to

 Mr. Lane that you would have walked up the four steps
 to get to the porch where you could see the front
 door; is that correct?
- A. Yes, that is most likely what I would have done.
 - Q. And can you see by the pictures of the aerial map that there is a back porch and a backdoor that's close to the garage?
- 18 A. I can.
- Q. And I don't know if you answered the question because there was an objection. You do see that there is a side door on the left side of the house?
 - A. I do.
- Q. Thank you. Thank you. I don't have any further questions about those.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, in the public section, I would like to mark for the record as OCC Exhibit K, a discovery response to Pitzer-POD-01-007 Confidential Attachment, and this is confidential so I will save it for the confidential section. I just wanted to mark it right now.

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EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. So marked.

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EXAMINER PARROT: Ms. Bojko, you can go ahead and get a copy of it to us now so I can see it.

MS. BOJKO: Actually, your Honor, I think my remaining questions are all confidential. And I have more discovery so do you want me to mark it all now or just wait until the confidential?

EXAMINER PARROT: No. Let's go ahead and mark things publicly, distribute them now, so I can have my set and the court reporter as well.

MS. BOJKO: Okay. So then I would like to mark as OCC Exhibit L, OCC POD-04-005.

EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. So marked.

MS. BOJKO: Actually, your Honor, I'm sorry, that one is previously marked as G.

EXAMINER PARROT: Yes. It's G.

MS. BOJKO: If you give me a moment, I am just making sure we didn't mark these. We marked a

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Okay. So then I would like to mark as L OCC-POD-04-005 supplemental. And I would like to mark as OCC Exhibit M would be a collection of screenshots from Duke's CMS system.

EXAMINER PARROT: Okay.

MS. BOJKO: I believe the other ones are already marked.

EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. The exhibits are so marked.

11 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor?

EXAMINER PARROT: You may.

MS. BOJKO: I appear to be missing one, your Honor, and I will find it in a moment if I could just pass out -- sorry, I am used to going in the order. If I could pass out POD-01-007 marked OCC K and then the one that's marked OCC M which are some screenshots.

EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. So are you still -- still working on L then. Okay.

MS. BOJKO: We must have used it yesterday which is the problem, your Honor, because it's not in my order.

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                MS. SPILLER: Uh-huh. Thank you.
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                EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. So no further
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                MS. BOJKO: That's correct, your Honor.
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                EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Any public
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     moment, please?
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     back on the record. Hold one second, Ms. Spiller.
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     Ms. Bojko was going to clarify something for the
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                MS. BOJKO: Yes, thank you, your Honor.
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     At this time I would like to not mark Exhibit L as it
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     is an attachment to a previously marked Exhibit, so
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                EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Thank you.
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                MS. BOJKO: Thank you.
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                EXAMINER PARROT: All right. Ms. Spiller.
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                MS. SPILLER: Thank you, your Honor.
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307 1 2 REDIRECT EXAMINATION 3 By Ms. Spiller: Just very briefly, Mr. Danzinger. Can you 4 5 locate for me, sir, what was marked as Pitzer Exhibit D. I think you called it a "meter reading 6 7 instruction," sir. It's around here somewhere. Yes, I have 8 Α. 9 it. 10 And is there a section at the bottom of Q. this page that -- where there is a populated field 11 12 after "New Instructions"? 13 Α. There is. 14 Okay. And it says AMR meter; is that Q. 15 right? 16 It does. Α. And what's an AMR, Mr. Danzinger? 17 Q. 18 A self-reading meter. Α. 19 And what do you mean by a self-reading 0. 20 meter? 2.1 Α. We walk by it and it reads remotely. We 22 don't have to gain physical access. 23 MS. SPILLER: Thank you, sir. Nothing 24 further. EXAMINER PARROT: Mr. Lane, any follow-up 25

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2 MR. LANE: No, your Honor.

EXAMINER PARROT: Ms. Bojko.

4 MS. BOJKO: Yes, I do. Thank you, your

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RECROSS-EXAMINATION

By Ms. Bojko:

- Q. Mr. Danzinger, I think you stated previously that it's your understanding that the AMR meter that you just referenced at the property of the Easterlings was not installed in 2011, it was installed later; is that correct?
- MS. SPILLER: Objection. That misstates his testimony. That question was about an AMI.
- EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. You may

 clarify anything you need to, Mr. Danzinger, in your

 response.
- A. I do not personally recall what type of meters were there at the time.
- Q. Okay. And just so the record is clear, an AMI meter has to be read by a company employee?
- A. Incorrect. AMI is -- it reads itself like sending a text message on a cell phone. It just sends its receipt out.

- Q. I'm sorry. An AMR meter has to be read; is that correct?
 - A. Remotely.

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- Q. Okay. And "remotely" means that a Duke employee has to go to the property and use a device to read it; is that correct?
- A. It gets read. If it's inside or outside it just gets read from the sidewalk as long as the house isn't too far away from the sidewalk. You would just kind of walk near the house and it would pick the read up and then you walk up.
- Q. Okay. But you have to be on the property,

 a Duke employee would have to be on the property; is

 that correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
 - Q. And then an analog meter has to be read manually by an employee of Duke; is that correct?
- 18 A. That is correct.
- MS. BOJKO: Thank you. No further questions.
- 21 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Let's go off the 22 record just for a second.
- 23 (Discussion off the record.)
- 24 EXAMINER PARROT: Back on the record.
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                 MR. LANE: That is correct.
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                EXAMINER PARROT: I believe Ms. Spiller
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                MR. LANE: No, your Honor.
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                EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Duke Exhibit J is
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     admitted into the record.
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                EXAMINER PARROT: Thank you,
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                MR. LANE: Leave it there, yeah.
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                EXAMINER PARROT: Mr. Lane, you had an
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                MS. BOJKO: Yes, your Honor. At this time
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                MS. BOJKO: And then I would also move I,
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                EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Any other
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                MS. SPILLER: No, your Honor.
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                MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I think the
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MS. SPILLER: Well, your Honor, there is a lot more that's on the document and if the only purpose is to establish that one was completed and one was canceled, Mr. Danzinger has offered testimony to that fact already, so at this point that one portion of this document, for which there has been no substantiation by this witness, is unnecessarily cumulative.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I don't think -- I mean, it's a document produced by the company. I would hate to have to go redact just for the pertinent information that is needed to make various points through various witnesses.

EXAMINER PARROT: Are you using -- intend to go use this further with other witnesses,

Ms. Bojko?

MS. BOJKO: Possibly. I can't recall sitting here right now.

EXAMINER PARROT: Let -- we'll wait on that one.

MS. BOJKO: Defer?

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     this time Duke Energy Ohio would call Melissa Porter.
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                MS. SPILLER: And may we approach, your
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     identified as Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit K.
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                EXAMINER PARROT: So marked.
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328 1 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 2 MS. SPILLER: Thank you. 3 4 MELISSA PORTER 5 being first duly sworn, as prescribed by law, was examined and testified as follows: 6 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION By Ms. Spiller: 8 9 Good morning, Ms. Porter. Oh, good 10 afternoon, Ms. Porter, I apologize. Would you identify yourself for the record, please. 11 12 Α. Melissa Porter. 13 Q. And by whom are you employed? Duke Energy Carolinas. 14 Α. 15 Q. And, ma'am, do you have in front of you what has been marked as Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit K? 16 17 Α. Yes. 18 And is that a copy of your direct Q. 19 testimony filed in this case? 20 Α. Yes. 2.1 0. Ms. Porter, do you have any corrections or 22 changes to your direct testimony? 23 Α. Yes. On page 7, line 21, remove the last 24 three words on that sentence, "no longer exist" was 25 removed.

- Q. So you would end the sentence at "October 2011"?
 - A. That's correct.

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MS. BOJKO: What page? I am sorry.

- A. Page 7, line 21.
- Q. Do you have any other corrections or changes to your testimony?
 - A. No, ma'am. I do not.
- Q. And if I were to ask you -- if I were to ask you today, Ms. Porter, the questions that appear in Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit K, would your answers be the same as reflected in that document, subject to the one correction you've made for us today?
 - A. Yes, it would.

MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, Duke Energy Ohio would move for the admission of Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit K, subject to cross-examination of this witness who is now available for cross.

EXAMINER PARROT: Ms. Bojko.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you, your Honor.

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CROSS-EXAMINATION

23 By Ms. Bojko:

Q. Good afternoon, Ms. Porter. I think you have been in the room so you know that my name is Kim

- Bojko, and I represent the office of the Ohio
 Consumers' Counsel.
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. And you work for Duke Energy Carolinas; is that correct?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- Q. And on -- in your testimony page 1,
 line 6, you state that Duke Energy Carolinas is an
 affiliate of Duke Energy Ohio; is that correct?
- 10 A. That is correct.
- Q. And you are not familiar with what the exact affiliate relationship between those two entities is, are you?
- 14 A. No.
- Q. And what is your current position with Duke Energy Carolinas?
- 17 A. A Senior Revenue Analyst.
- Q. And did you hold that same position during
 September, October, and November of 2011?
- 20 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And it's my understanding that you do some work for Duke Energy Ohio in that capacity?
- 23 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And on page 2, line 3 of your testimony.
- 25 Page 3, line 12 of your testimony.

331 1 Α. Oh. 2 Oh, no. Q. MS. SPILLER: I'm sorry, are we on 2 or 3? 3 My eyes jumped. I apologize. Page 2, 4 Q. 5 line 3, I'm sorry, you state that in your current 6 position you maintain the contract for Duke Energy 7 Ohio's print vendor RR Donnelley; is that correct? That's correct. 8 Α. 9 Ο. And RR Donnelley is an outside vendor, 10 correct? 11 That's correct. Α. 12 And you don't personally observe the Q. 13 printing and the mailing of the bills, do you? 14 Α. No, I do not. 15 Q. And basically you receive the reports of 16 what Donnelley did; is that correct? 17 That's correct. Α. 18 Now, let's look at page 3, line 12. Here 0. 19 you state "I knew that a...pink residential

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EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. An answer has been given. Did you need to add anything to your answer, Ms. Porter? Anything about that that was --

- A. Based on my experience, that's the process. Disconnects are always inserted with the bill.
- Q. I understand that. I am asking about your personal knowledge. You didn't actually see the pink notice being inserted into a bill, did you?
- A. No, I did not.
- 11 Q. And you didn't actually see the bill being
 12 mailed -- you don't see them being mailed to
 13 customers; is that correct?
- 14 A. I do not.

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- Q. And so you would have no knowledge about whether a customer actually received either a notice or a bill.
 - A. I would not.
- Q. On page 3, line 9 of your testimony, you stated here that you reviewed the customer's bill generated on or about October 4, 2011, and confirmed that the bill included a disconnection notice. Do you see that?
- A. Let's see, page 3, line?
- Q. Starting at the end of line 9.

- A. Line 9, okay. I looked in the CMS system and could see that a bill was generated based on that date. I knew the process, it was a disconnect bill, so a disconnect notice would go with a disconnect bill.
- Q. Okay. First of all, I just asked if I read that correctly.
 - A. Yes.

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- 9 Q. Based on the response you just gave me you 10 are not asserting here that you actually reviewed the 11 Easterling October 2011 bill and confirmed that it 12 included a disconnect notice, correct?
 - A. I did not.
- Q. And so prior to filing your testimony in this case, you referred to the company's database; is that accurate?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. That's the CMS system you just referenced?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. So you confirmed in 2015, four years later, not at the time the bill was actually generated, correct?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- Q. And when did you contact the print vendor about this case?

- A. I'm guessing it was in the March-April
 time frame, whenever I was made aware. I am not sure
 of the exact time frame, but whenever I was made
 aware of the case, I reached out to the vendor to see
 if they had any documentation that would let me know
 about inserts being placed in the bills or anything
 like that, so that's when I had that one attachment.
 I received that from Donnelley.
 - Q. That would have been March or April of this year, 2015.
- 11 A. Correct.

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- 12 Q. Or last year, 2015.
- 13 A. Yes, yes.
 - Q. And did you ask the print vendor specifically about the Easterling account?
- 16 A. No, I did not.
- Q. So on page 4 of your testimony, line 19,
 you discuss a monthly test that Donnelley does. Do
 you see that? And you state that the test is to show
 that the system is set up to print the customer's
 bill containing the disconnection notice, the pink
 disconnection notice and other bill inserts; is that
 correct?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And does this report just concern mailings

- to customers who are subject to disconnection for nonpayment?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. And this report that is attached to your testimony is Attachment MP-1; is that correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. The report is created before the bills are 8 mailed to customers; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.

- 10 Q. And the report is not account specific; is 11 that correct?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- Q. And after the mailing, another report is created if there are problems; is that correct?
- A. We would receive the e-mail of sorts from contact from the vendor to let us know.
- 17 Q. And is also an error log created?
- A. If we receive notification that there were problems, then we would enter something into an error log, yes.
- 21 Q. So the error log is generated by Duke?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And an error log was created for October,
- 24 | 2011; is that correct?
- 25 A. No.

- Q. On page 8 of your testimony, line 19, do you reference an error log on line 20 -- it's actually over to line 20, do you reference an error log?
 - A. I did reference an error log.
- Q. And is that the error log we just discussed?
- 8 A. Yes.

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- 9 Q. And you didn't attach an error log to your 10 report, did you?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Or your testimony.
- 13 A. No.
- MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time may I
 have marked as OCC exhibit -- oh, it's confidential.

 We will mark it OCC Exhibit L, an error log that's
 error and it's identified as OCC-POD-02-002A
- 18 Confidential Second Supplemental Attachment.
- 19 EXAMINER PARROT: So marked.
- 20 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
- Q. So you don't believe that the error log referenced in your testimony is an error log for October, 2011?
- A. My testimony says I did not see any entries for October of 2011.

- Q. In an error log?
- 2 A. In an error log, yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. Okay. We are going to come back to
- 4 that in a confidential section. Let's turn to MP-1,
- 5 | please. Okay. On MP-1 this is the report from RR
- 6 Donnelley we were just talking about; is that
- 7 | correct?

- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And the MP-1 has a date at the bottom
- 10 | September 30, 2011; is that correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. And that's when the report was generated;
- 13 | is that correct?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. And that's prior to the October bill
- 16 | cycle; is that correct?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. And this report is labeled "1Run-Level
- 19 | Component Report"; is that correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 O. And it shows that Duke is the client and
- 22 | that the project is Duke Ohio Disconnects, correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 O. And after the order number it shows that
- 25 | the report ran on September 30, 2011, at exactly

338 11:11:17. 1 2 Α. Yes. And the "stockcode" on this report refers 3 Q. to the type of paper that is used? 4 5 Α. It's a random code that Donnelley would 6 assign to different pieces of stock, so it has no 7 bearing on paper, color, weight, anything like that. But it does actually reference a piece of 8 Q. 9 paper. 10 Α. It does. 11 Q. Paper stock. 12 Α. Yes, it's bill stock, yes. 13 Q. And the "count" is the number generated; 14 is that correct? 15 Α. Yes. And "OOMES" is an outside mail envelope; 16 0. 17 is that correct? 18 That's correct. Α. So by this report it appears that there 19 0. 20 were 6,020 outside mail envelopes; is that correct? 21 Α. Correct. 22 And this means there were 6,020 0. 23 disconnection customers that were getting this 24 mailing; is that correct? 25 Α. That's correct.

- Q. And would this be for all residential customers receiving disconnection notices in October, 2011?
- A. For the date they ran this test run. It wasn't for all of October, but it was a test run for a single-day simulation of what would go out.
- Q. So it would be all disconnection notices for any customer that was about to receive an October bill in the early bill cycle; is that fair?
- 10 A. Yes, yes.

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- 11 Q. And the description on the envelope here
 12 is "Holiday Train OME." And that means that it was a
 13 special envelope advertising a holiday train; is that
 14 correct?
- 15 A. That's correct.
- Q. And below that is a category labeled "OInserts." Do you see that?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. These were the inserts that were put in 20 the special train envelopes; is that correct?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- MS. BOJKO: I believe we are on letter N,
 your Honor. At this time can I have marked as OCC
 Exhibit N, a collection of documents that we will
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                EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. So marked.
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                MS. BOJKO: May I approach?
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- Q. And not all customers receive one of those because the way their account is set up; is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
 - Q. And is it your understanding that the Easterlings did not have electronic billing so that they would have received a mail -- remit envelope?
 - A. That's my understanding, yes.
- Q. And the second insert listed on MP-1 is a winter heating bill assistance document. Do you see that?
- 13 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And that was attached to your testimony as MP-3; is that correct?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- Q. And that is also contained in -- I set it up as the envelope, but that is also contained in the packet of OCC Exhibit N; is that correct?
- 20 A. Uh-huh, yes.
- Q. And that's a two-page winter heating bill assistance insert?
- A. It's a front and back. You have it as two pages but it's front and back, a small front and back. It's an insert.

- Q. And then also listed is a gas customer choice document. Is that gas customer choice document, is that in the packet as well?
 - Yes, it is. Α.
- 5 Q. And that, as well, would be a two-sided 6 insert into the bill?
- 7 Yes, it would, yes. Α.
- And from MP-1, did 5,947 customers receive 8 Q. 9 that gas customer choice insert?
- 10 Α. Yes.

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- 11 And going back to the winter heating Q. 12 billing assistance, did 5,979 customers receive that bill insert?
- 14 Α. Yes.
- 15 Q. The next insert listed on MP-1 is labeled 16 "Holiday Train". Do you see that?
- 17 Α. Yes, I do.
- 18 And this is an advertisement or promotion Q. for a holiday train exhibit at the museum; is that 19 20 correct?
- 2.1 Α. That's correct.
- 22 And that holiday train was sent to all of Q. 23 the customers receiving an envelope on this distribution which was 6,20; is that correct? 24
- 25 Α. That's correct.

- Q. And is that holiday train also included in the packet that I provided to you as OCC Exhibit N?
- A. Yes, it is.

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- Q. And is it also a front- and back-sided document?
- 6 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. And then lastly, it states on the inserts that there was a Duke pink Ohio residential disconnection form; is that correct?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- 11 Q. And that form was sent to all customers, 12 6,020; is that correct?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- Q. All disconnection customers, I should say, that are receiving these disconnection inserts and bills; is that correct?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. And that, as well, is also included in the packet?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- Q. And the packet, if you could look at the last page of the packet, this was also included as part of your testimony; is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. And, in fact, the one that I've copied is

the actual one that you attached to your testimony labeled Attachment MP-2; is that correct?

A. That's correct.

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- Q. And this appears -- this is a pamphlet, so the document would contain two pamphlets; is that correct? It's one document but would contain two pamphlets?
- A. Yes, yes, because they print them two side-by-side and they will cut them in the fold, so yes.
- 11 Q. And is this the accurate size of the pamphlet?
- 13 A. Yes. Uh-huh.
- MS. SPILLER: I am sorry, is what the accurate size?
- MS. BOJKO: Is the document she produced as MP-2 the accurate size.
- A. I think it's smaller on the print. This is actually the size of it.
- Q. So this is your understanding, what's been marked as Duke Exhibit D for the record, this is your understanding of what the pink disconnection notice looks like?
- 24 A. Yes, yes.
 - Q. So it's not exactly the same as the

- document you produced.
- A. Verbiage-wise, yes. Size-wise it's
- 3 probably smaller for whatever reason. It's a PDF, I
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- 5 Q. Okay. Thank you.
- 6 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. And it's your understanding that this
 insert was sent to all of the customers, 6,020, that
 received this billing and this insert packet?
- 10 A. Yes.
- Q. And this is a generic pamphlet regarding disconnection of service; is that correct?
- A. I'm not familiar with the content. I know
 the insert has to go in with these bills, but I am
 not the expert on the content of the insert.
- Q. Well, it's not specifically addressed to a particular customer or address; is that correct?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- Q. And then if we look at page 3 of your

 Attachment MP-1, page 3 of your attachment is a list

 of how the bill and all the inserts are assembled; is

 that correct?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. So this actually lists the order that the bill and the inserts will be placed in a customer's

envelope; is that correct?

- A. Correct. It's how the inserter is set up with its feeder pockets, so yes, as it would go down the line, it would pick up the next one if the customer was supposed to get it, correct.
- Q. So as I understand -- well, let's back up.
 On this sheet it doesn't list the actual bills that
 get placed in the envelope, does it?
- A. No. It does not because the -- they feed in differently and then they -- they get folded, they are put in the outer mailing envelope, and then the other things stack in there, too, so.
- Q. Okay. So it's fair to say that the bill would be placed in the envelope first and then we would add to it the bill inserts.
- A. Correct.
- Q. And I believe if you review OCC Exhibit N, this is the exact order that the bill inserts were put into the disconnection bill envelopes; is that correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- MS. SPILLER: I'm sorry. Are you

 contending the order that you've shown in N aligns

 with MP-1, page 2 of 3?
- MS. BOJKO: It certainly does.

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MS. SPILLER: Page 2 of 3?
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MS. BOJKO: No. Page 3 of 3, which is what we have been discussing.

MS. SPILLER: Thank you.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Just so the record is clear, page 3 of attachment MP-1 is the actual order that the bill inserts are placed in the envelope; is that right?
 - A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. Okay. And except, also in addition to what's listed on MP-1, page 3 of 3, is the actual bill that a customer would receive; is that fair?
 - A. That's correct, uh-huh.
 - Q. Now, I want to go through the actual documents and make sure that we have the documents as they would appear in the actual envelope, okay?
- 17 A. Okay.

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- Q. So the bill would be two-sided and would consist of three pages; is that correct?
 - A. No. It would be two pages.
- 21 Q. Oh, I am sorry, two pages, because one page is double-sided.
- A. Correct.
- Q. Thank you. And then the -- the actual gas choice information would also be double-sided?

A. Right.

- Q. And that would be reduced in size, it would be a smaller document; is that correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- Q. Let's look at it. So this is what the bill would actually look like, would be two-sided and the second page.
- 8 MS. SPILLER: I am going to object to the 9 extent you are suggesting that the bill is 8-1/2 by 10 11.
- 11 Q. Would the bill be slightly smaller than this?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. But it looks like the bill goes pretty far out on the margins?
- 16 A. 7 by 11.
- Q. 7 by 11, thank you. So we have an envelope. Would it have appeared to have had an envelope with a holiday train on it which would have been different than the regular Duke envelope; is that correct?
- MS. SPILLER: And, your Honor, if I could see what Counsel is showing to the witness.
- Q. I am just holding up an envelope with a picture of a train on it. Is this similar to what

your understanding is?

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A. Smaller envelope, but it would be a Duke envelope with the train information on the back.

Q. Okay.

MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, I am going to object to the improper reference. This is a business envelope. There has been no foundation that envelope was sent out by the company.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, we asked for the exact bills and bill inserts that the -- were produced to -- were contained with Ms. Porter's testimony which are referenced and how they are put in an envelope and we received some information attached to her testimony. We've received some information in supplemental discovery responses. We've never received the actual envelope.

So now, Counsel is testifying. If the witness wants to explain that it may be different than what we have because we weren't provided it by the company, then that's for the witness to explain.

MS. SPILLER: Well, your Honor --

MS. BOJKO: I have nothing else to go on.

EXAMINER PARROT: You are not offering

24 that as an exhibit, are you?

MS. BOJKO: I am not.

EXAMINER PARROT: So you are going to need to describe it anyway, so let's try to ask the question, the actual envelope, and go about it that way, so the record is clear anyway.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you. We are trying to do it the best we can from the information we have.

Q. So now you've said that the bill -
EXAMINER PARROT: I appreciate that, but I
think we need to describe it better.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you.

- Q. That the bill is actually a little smaller than an 8-1/2 by 11 paper, so it would be a two-page, and it would also be a little thicker card stock?
 - A. Possibly.

- Q. And that would be folded, trifolded, and put into an envelope; is that correct?
- 17 A. That's correct.
 - Q. Okay. And so, the envelope from Counsel's representation, the bill -- Duke bill envelope would be slightly smaller than a business envelope?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. Okay. And you can agree with me there would have been a train on the envelope because it was a special holiday envelope?
- 25 A. That's correct.

- Q. Okay. And the bill goes first in the envelope; is that correct?
 - A. That's correct.

- Q. And then next in the envelope you've agreed with me that there was a gas choice bill insert that is double-sided and it is smaller than what has been produced in discovery; is that correct?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And it appears, as it does on the Exhibit OCC N that you have, which is it has a red customer list at the top and red Duke Energy -- Duke Energy logo; is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
 - Q. And would it be approximately the size of the document, the insert that is produced on POD-01-009?
- A. They are all relatively the same size. We call them "bug slips." They are usually all about the same size, so it might be a little bigger than that actual, but they are all this size.
- MS. BOJKO: Okay. So let the record reflect, your Honor, that the witness has indicated that the gas customer choice program bill insert would be a little larger, so relatively the same size as the Ohio residential disconnection notice which is

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- Q. So they would be comparable in size, correct?
- MS. SPILLER: I am going to object. This misstates her testimony. She just said they are relatively the same size, might be a little bigger, but you have now conclusively suggested that it was.

MS. BOJKO: I don't know what the objection is. I think she was saying it was a little bigger than what's produced on POD-01-009. But the "little bigger" makes it comparable is the word I used, but similar, if you want to use that word, to what's been previously marked as Duke Exhibit D which is the Ohio residential disconnection notice pamphlet.

- 16 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay.
- 17 Q. Is that fair?
- 18 A. Yes, that's fair.
- 19 O. Ms. Porter?
- 20 A. That's fair.
- Q. So then -- so next the customer choice information would have been inserted in the holiday train envelope behind the bill; is that correct?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 | O. And then next we have what's been

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correct?
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- A. That's correct.
- Q. And that would also appear smaller than the full size 8-1/2 by 11 picture; is that correct?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- Q. And would this have been a harder card stock like a ticket since it's tickets?
- 10 A. No, it would not.
- 11 Q. It's the same card stock as all the other 12 bill inserts?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. So that would also be a size comparable to the residential disconnection notice; is that fair?
- 17 A. That's correct, that's correct.
- 18 Q. So that would have been inserted into the envelope as well?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Then next on the list is the winter heating bill assistance flier; is that correct?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. And this document appears to be the full height of an 8-1/2 by 11 piece of paper and this

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is referenced on Attachment MP-3, but it appears to
be a little narrower, so would it be the size that's
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- A. It would be this size.
- 5 Q. So it would also be the smaller size of the disconnection notice.
- 7 A. Yes.

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- Q. And it would be a two-sided document that's smaller than --
- 10 A. That's correct.
- 11 Q. More comparable to the disconnection notice?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 O. Okay.
- 15 EXAMINER PARROT: Which again is Duke
- 16 Exhibit D you are referring to?
- MS. BOJKO: Sorry.
- Q. So it would be the same size -- it would be comparable to Duke Exhibit D. So that would have also been -- that would slide into the envelope like this; is that correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- MS. SPILLER: Well, your Honor, the
 demonstration, I am just going to object at this
 point, that insert doesn't even fit in your envelope.

- MS. BOJKO: Well, we'll make it the exact, same size, your Honor.
- MS. SPILLER: It was two-sided and it has now been folded four times.
- 5 MS. BOJKO: Well, it's two-sided. Where 6 are my scissors? I had scissors yesterday.
- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) And this gets inserted into the envelope then?
 - A. Yes.

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- 10 Q. Okay. And then it has the disconnect 11 remit envelope. So it would be an extra envelope 12 stuck into the other envelope.
- 13 A. Correct.
- Q. And it would be the same size or a little bit smaller, I am assuming, than the actual envelope that would have been sent to the customer; is that correct?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. So it's not the same size as a business envelope; it's slightly smaller?
- A. Smaller than the outer mailing envelope, so it fits inside of it.
- Q. Okay. And that would have been also inserted into the holiday train envelope; is that correct?

A. That's correct.

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- Q. Okay. So the customer would have received two pages of a bill, and one, two, three, four -oops, we forgot the last one, and then the last one
 that is inserted is the Duke pink pamphlet, so it's a
 two-page folded document and that's Duke Exhibit D,
 that would have also been added to the holiday train
 envelope; is that correct?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. So my calculation we have -- we have a bill insert that is two pages, we have a gas customer choice that's double-sided so that's one page, a holiday train insert that's one page, a winter heating bill assistance that's one page, a disconnect remit envelope, and then we also have a two-page disconnect pamphlet; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. So there's two, four, five, six, seven, eight pages of documents plus a remit envelope in the one envelope that has the holiday train that's sent to the customer?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And, again, the side of the holiday
 train -- the outside of the envelope would have had
 an advertisement for a holiday train for the museum?

- A. It would be on the back. The front would be like a normal Duke Energy bill -- or envelope I should say.
- Q. Okay. But you would be able to see a train that looked like an advertisement on the envelope?
- A. Yes.

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- MS. SPILLER: I am going to object to the relevance here.
- 10 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- Q. And that envelope with the holiday train on it is different than what a customer would typically receive from Duke; is that correct?
- A. Correct. Because it's a special envelope we use during the October-November time frame.
- Q. And just for clarity, the "sheets" listed on Attachment MP-1, page 3 of 3, sheets would be the -- the calculation of -- no, it wouldn't be.
- 19 What is "sheets" referring to on this page?
 - A. That should be the -- oh, that's the sheets of paper. That's the bill pages.
- 22 Q. Just the bill pages.
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Because it doesn't add up. It wouldn't be all the sheets of paper.

A. Right.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I have no more questions. I would like to go into a confidential session regarding the one document.

EXAMINER PARROT: Okay.

MS. SPILLER: Could we have a moment, please, your Honor?

MR. LANE: I actually have one question.

EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. I was going to

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15 CROSS-EXAMINATION

16 By Mr. Lane:

Q. All right. Ms. Porter, I didn't formally introduce myself. I am Don Lane representing the Complainant Jeffrey Pitzer. Part of your testimony discusses a 10-day notice letter also; is that correct?

A. Yes.

Q. Has anyone at any time ever shown you a 10-day notice letter with the address of the property here, I always forget it, 11312 Orchard Street?

359 1 Α. No. 2 MR. LANE: Thank you. That's all the 3 questions I have. EXAMINER PARROT: All right. You said you 4 5 needed a moment, right? 6 MS. SPILLER: Yes, please, your Honor. 7 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. (Discussion off the record.) 8 9 EXAMINER PARROT: Let's go back on the 10 record. Any redirect for the public session? 11 MS. SPILLER: Yes, your Honor, briefly. 12 13 REDIRECT EXAMINATION 14 By Ms. Spiller: 15 Ms. Porter, you were asked questions by Ms. Bojko about the holiday train outside mail 16 17 envelope. Do you recall --18 Α. Yes. 19 -- the questions? Was the October, 2011, 20 mailing the first time that Duke Energy had used that 2.1 holiday train outside mail envelope? 2.2 Α. No. It used it in 2010 for two months. 23 Q. Okay. And the front side of that outside 24 mail envelope used for the October, 2011, mailing, 25 what did that look like?

A. It looked the same as any other month. We only changed the backside.

MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry. Could I -- I didn't hear her. Could I have that answer reread? (Record read.)

- Q. And was the information on the backside in color?
- 8 A. No, it was not. It was a black-and-white 9 train.
 - Q. And the order you were asked about, the order of the inserts on page 3 of 3 of MP-1. Do you recall that --
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- Q. -- with Ms. Bojko? According to this document, the pink bill insert is the last insert in that envelope?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- Q. So if one were to turn the envelope over and open it, what would they first see?
- 20 A. The pink disconnect.
- MS. SPILLER: Thank you. Nothing further, your Honor.
- EXAMINER PARROT: Ms. Bojko, any recross?

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RECROSS-EXAMINATION

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- Q. Does a customer always turn the envelope over to open it? Or can they open it from the front?
 - A. I suppose somebody --
- Q. I mean, could you open an envelope with a letter cutter, for instance; is that correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. And could you also tear the side of the envelope; is that correct?
- 11 A. Yeah, true.
- 12 Q. And could you stick your finger in the back and try to open an envelope?
- 14 A. You could.
- Q. And let's talk about that holiday train insert for one moment. Does the insert say the trains have a new home?
- MS. SPILLER: Objection, your Honor. This
 is outside the scope of redirect examination. There
 were no questions about the insert.
 - MS. BOJKO: Actually, it's directly related. Duke's counsel asked about how the holiday envelopes will be produced before and that this had occurred before, so I am asking if the insert had occurred before.

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EXAMINER PARROT: Ask that question then. I'm good with that.
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- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) So this particular insert had not been provided in previous Duke mailings because the trains hadn't actually moved locations; is that correct?
- A. I don't know about the content of it to say that, but I know that it started in 2010, so I'm not sure if they used the same verbiage again, but the first time we moved the train -- I mean, it might be telling them again it has a new home. I am not sure of the content of it.
- Q. Okay. So you are not -- you didn't go back and review prior holiday envelopes and bill inserts to review what had or had not been used in the past; is that correct?
- A. Correct. I just know the train, when the train moved, it was a big deal and we had to do it for so many years, so I am aware it started in 2010.
- MS. BOJKO: Okay. Thanks. No further questions.
- 22 EXAMINER PARROT: Mr. Lane?
- MR. LANE: Nothing further.
- EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Go off the record just for a second.

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EXAMINER PARROT: Thank you very much. Appreciate your time today.

All right. Ms. Bojko.

MS. BOJKO: Yes, your Honor, thank you. I would like to move the admission of Exhibit L and N.

EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Are there any objections to the admission of OCC Exhibit L or N?

MS. SPILLER: Yes, your Honor. In respect of OCC Exhibit L, we would move -- we would oppose the introduction of this document into evidence as irrelevant. As the -- as the Bench just clarified with Ms. Porter, this document was maintained for specific purposes, and the items reflected on this particular document have no bearing whatsoever to the actual mailing in that there were no -- no errors noted in respect of mailings that occurred in 2011. So the information here, we believe, is irrelevant to the issues in the case.

EXAMINER PARROT: Ms. Bojko, response?

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I actually think
that Counsel mischaracterized the record and the
Attorney Examiner's questions. There's been
testimony regarding whether it affected print jobs
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customer accounts and other issues that are very

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                MS. BOJKO: Thank you. Go off the record.
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4	EXAMINER PARROT: Let's go back on the
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6	All right. Mr. McMahon.
7	MR. McMAHON: Thank you, your Honor. At
8	this time Duke Energy Ohio would call Mitchell
9	Carmosino to the stand, please.
10	(Witness sworn.)
11	EXAMINER PARROT: Please have a seat.
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13	MITCHELL A. CARMOSINO
14	being first duly sworn, as prescribed by law, was
15	examined and testified as follows:
16	DIRECT EXAMINATION
17	By Mr. McMahon:
18	Q. Could you please state your name for the
19	record.
20	A. Mitchell A. Carmosino.
21	Q. And, Mr. Carmosino, who are you employed
22	by?
23	A. Duke Energy Business Services.
24	MR. McMAHON: Your Honor, may I approach?
25	EXAMINER PARROT: You may.

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                EXAMINER PARROT: All right. So marked.
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                (EXHIBITS MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
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                MR. LANE: Was the public L and the
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               (By Mr. McMahon) Mr. Carmosino, in front
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- of you is Duke Energy Exhibit L and Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit M. Do you see those?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit L is the public version of your direct testimony in this case, correct?
- 7 A. Yes. Well, mine is not marked "L," just 8 so you know.
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 A. I have it.
- 11 Q. That was filed with the Commission on 12 December 30, 2015?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And the document in front of you, your confidential direct testimony, is noted as Duke Energy Ohio Exhibit M?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. And, again, that's the confidential version of your direct testimony filed with the Commission on December 30, 2015?
- 21 A. Yes.
- MR. McMAHON: I apologize, your Honor. We
 just realized the version we printed off, trying to
 get back over here quickly, doesn't have the exhibits
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                MR. McMAHON: Yes. We withdrew the
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- Q. Just to clarify what happened yesterday, if you turn to page 4, line 6 and 7, the confidential designations, excuse me, that were in your original publicly -- public version of your testimony have been removed there, correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

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                MS. BOJKO: Yes. I am, your Honor.
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                EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Ms. Bojko.
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CROSS-EXAMINATION

24 By Ms. Bojko:

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Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Carmosino.

384 Good afternoon. 1 Α. 2 It's nice to finally put a face with the Q. 3 voice. Α. Likewise. 4 5 0. You are employed, you stated, by Duke 6 Energy Business Services; is that correct? 7 Α. Yes. And Duke Energy Business Services is an 8 Q. affiliate of Duke Energy Ohio? 9 10 Α. Yes. And so you actually perform services for 11 0. 12 Duke Energy Ohio; is that correct? 13 Α. Yes. 14 Do you perform services for other Ο. 15 affiliates of Duke Energy business services? 16 I do. Α. 17 And those would be other distribution Q. 18 companies similar to Duke Energy Ohio? 19 Α. Yes. 20 0. And what is your current position with 21 Duke Energy Business Services? 2.2 I am a manager of residential operations. Α. And are you testifying as an expert 23 Q. 24 witness in this proceeding? 25 Α. Yes.

- Q. And in 2011, you were a senior business operations analyst in the accounts receivable system and processes department?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And that -- and this -- is this the position you would have held during September, October, and November of 2011?
- A. Yes.
- 9 Q. So you did not hold the same position that 10 you hold today back in September, October, and 11 November of 2011, correct?
- 12 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And you are familiar with the Commission's disconnection rules in Chapter 4901:1-18?
- 15 A. Yes.
 - Q. And is it fair to say that as a part of your job responsibilities, you must understand the application of the Commission's regulations?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you consider yourself an expert regarding the Commission's regulations regarding disconnection for nonpayment of services?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And just to be clear here today, you are not an attorney or testifying as an attorney; is that

386 1 correct? 2 That is correct. Α. 3 Q. So in your testimony when you cite to Commission regulations, you don't -- you are not 4 5 giving a legal opinion regarding the Commission's rules; is that correct? 6 7 Α. Correct. 8 Ο. And it's your understanding that the 9 definition of "arrearages" is contained in the 10 Commission's rules; is that correct? 11 "Arrearages" is in the Commission rules, Α. 12 yes. 13 0. And do you believe that the definition of "arrearages" is past due balance? 14 15 In the Commission rules? Α. 16 Q. Yes. 17 As I sit here today, I do not. Α. 18 And you stated as you sit here today, 0. 19 because your of response today, are you asserting 20 that it's different than a response you might have 21 provided in the deposition? 2.2 MR. McMAHON: Objection. 23 Α. I think that --24 MR. McMAHON: Mischaracterizing his

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testimony.

MS. BOJKO: I was asking his modification or explanation of his answer.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- A. I think that when I first answered the question, I was thinking of the word as I would necessarily define it, not as it was defined in the regulations.
- Q. And just so the record is clear,

 Mr. Carmosino, you were deposed in this proceeding on

 January 8, 2016; is that correct?
- 11 A. I believe that is the date, yes.
- Q. And during that deposition, you were sworn in and you had swore to tell the truth; is that correct?
- 15 A. That is correct --

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- Q. And at that time you believed that arrearages --
- MR. McMAHON: -- objection, your Honor.

 19 If Ms. Bojko is trying to impeach the witness, she
- 20 needs to hand him a copy of his deposition and not
- 21 just do it from her seat.
- MS. BOJKO: Actually, I was trying to lay foundation to do just that, your Honor.
- EXAMINER PARROT: If you have it, let's go
 ahead and provide it to him at this point.

388 1 MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor? 2 EXAMINER PARROT: You may. 3 MR. McMAHON: You are not marking it as an 4 exhibit, are you? 5 MS. BOJKO: No. 6 MR. McMAHON: Okay. 7 (By Ms. Bojko) Mr. Carmosino, do you have 0. 8 in front of you a copy of a transcript of a 9 deposition taken of you on January 8, 2016? 10 Α. Yes. And if you could turn to page 36 of that 11 0. 12 deposition. And on line 2, the question: "And could 13 you tell me what you believe the definition of 14 arrearages is?" 15 "Answer: Past due balance." 16 "Question: And that's how you believe the 17 Commission describes it in its rules?" 18 "Answer: I believe that's my 19 interpretation of the rule, yes." Is that -- did I 20 read that correctly? 2.1 Α. You read it correctly, yes. 22 MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I 23 would like to mark as OCC Exhibit O, a copy of the 24 Administrative Rule 4901:1-18-01. May I approach?

EXAMINER PARROT: You may.

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(EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
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- Sir, do you have in front of you what's Q. been marked as OCC Exhibit O?
 - Α. Yes.
- 5 Q. And is it a copy of the Commission's 4901:1-18-01? 6
- 7 Α. Yes.

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- MR. McMAHON: Your Honor, for the record, this is a copy of that Administrative Code section effective 4/15/2015. 10
- 11 EXAMINER PARROT: Noted.
- 12 MR. McMAHON: Thank you.
- 13 Q. Mr. Carmosino, you are aware, aren't you, 14 that some of the Commission's numbers or letters for 15 particular code sections have changed since 2011, 16 aren't you?
- 17 Α. That's my understanding, yes.
- 18 And it's also your understanding, sir, Q. that the substance of the rules has -- is the same 19 20 from 2011 as it is today?
- 2.1 MR. McMAHON: Objection. Vague,
- 22 ambiguous. Any particular rule? All rules?
- 23 MS. BOJKO: I'll narrow my question to
- 24 Chapter 18, your Honor.
- 25 EXAMINER PARROT: All right. You may

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2 MR. McMAHON: Same objection, your Honor.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. You can

answer to the extent you are able to.

- A. Can you repeat the question?
- Q. Sure. I'll rephrase since I narrowed it.
 With regard to Chapter 4901:1-18,

you're -- it's your understanding that although some
letters and numbers of the Commission's rules have
changed since 2011, that the substance of the chapter

11 has remained intact; is that correct?

- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And on 4901:1-18-01, "arrearages" is
 defined as "for each percentage of income payment
 plan plus (PIPP plus) customer such customer's
 accrued charges at the time the customer enrolls in
 the PIPP plus program, plus accumulated charges while
 enrolled in PIPP plus but does not include current or
 past due monthly PIPP plus payments," correct?

MR. McMAHON: Objection, relevance.

21 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- 22 A. Correct.
- Q. And, sir, in Chapter 18-01, isn't it true
 that the winter heating season is defined as
 November 1 to April 15?

- A. Can you repeat the question?
- Q. Sure. I said is the winter heating season defined in 4901:1-18-01 as the period between
- 4 | November 1 and April 15?
- A. Are you asking me if it's in this section right here?
- 7 Q. Yes.

- 8 A. This particular section?
- 9 Q. Yes. It's on --
- 10 A. It's on the back, yes, okay.
- 11 Q. Yes, that's how it's defined?
- 12 A. Yes, November 1 through April 15.
- Q. And this is one of the provisions, I
 believe you are aware, that used to be labeled, it
 was formerly provision (U); is that correct?
- A. I don't have this memorized from 2011
- 17 until now.
- Q. Okay. But you believe that's the
 definition of winter heating season or was the
 definition of winter heating season back in 2011; is
 that correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I would like to take administrative notice of the
- 25 | Commission Finding and Order in Case No.

08-723-AU-ORD. This is the rulemaking that was in effect that modified the rules and the distinction between the two rules that we're talking about, in case somebody would like to look at the redline and reference what the proper rule numbers might have been in 2011.

MR. McMAHON: Your Honor, I'm not aware that the Bench takes administrative notice of an order from the Commission. If Ms. Bojko wants to cite to it, that's one thing. It seems like a post-hearing briefing of some kind, but.

MS. BOJKO: Well, your Honor, I am only asking because Counsel has raised the issue here this morning. I didn't think it was an issue nor should it be an issue, but Counsel has objected to my questions based on the fact that the current rules might not be the same rules that were in effect in 2011, and I just want to know -- note it for the record then that the rulemaking process that might address that issue would be in 08-723.

EXAMINER PARROT: Well, I mean, I agree with Mr. McMahon that a Commission order stands on its own. There is no need to take administrative notice of it, I don't believe. You can cite to it in your briefs. You also will have access to many legal

reference services like Westlaw and LexisNexis that will help you find the version of the rules that were in effect at the time we are speaking about today. So you have options available to you, and I have been making use of them for this case, and I am sure you will do the same. But thank you for noting that docket. It's out there on the record now, so.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you, your Honor.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) And, sir, it's your understanding that "customer," both now and then, was defined as "any person who enters into an agreement, whether by contract or under a tariff, to purchase: Electric, gas, or natural gas utility service"?
 - A. Can you repeat that question?
- Q. Sure. Does the Commission's rules define "customer" to mean "any person who enters into an agreement, whether by contract or under a tariff, to purchase: electric, gas or natural gas utility service"?
- A. Yes.

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- Q. And you believe that a customer is someone who initiates service; is that correct?
- A. That is correct.
- Q. And you don't know what the rule is referencing when it says by "contract or under

tariff"; is that correct?

- A. I think I stated that "tariff" is the tariff rate. I wasn't sure what "contract" meant.
- Q. Sir, could you turn to page 34 of your deposition, please.
 - A. Yes.

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Q. Starting on line 23, does it state "Okay. So you don't know what the rule is referring to when it says any person who enters into an agreement whether by contract or under tariff; is that correct?"

12 And the answer: "Yes."

Did I read that correctly?

A. You did, but I think there is another part, I don't have it memorized in here, but we talked about -- you asked me if the customer was of tariff and I said yes. I wasn't sure what the contract meant at that point.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I move to strike everything beginning with the word "but." All I asked him is if I read it correctly.

MR. McMAHON: Your Honor, Mr. Carmosino correctly explained his deposition testimony and he addressed the issue later. He doesn't have his deposition memorized.

EXAMINER PARROT: The motion to strike is denied, Ms. Bojko.

- Q. And, sir, it's your understanding that the Commission rules in 2011 defined "consumer" to mean "any person who is an ultimate user of electric, gas, or natural gas utility service"; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And would you agree with me that the rules do not define "arrears"?
- A. Yes. The rules, yes.
- Q. And, sir, isn't it true that the winter reconnection -- you are familiar with the winter reconnection order in your job responsibilities, aren't you?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. And is it true, sir, that the winter reconnect order for 2011 had an effective date of October 17, 2011, through April 13, 2012?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And it's your understanding that electric service was disconnected at the Easterlings on November 4; is that correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And it's your understanding that it was disconnected for nonpayment?

A. That is correct.

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- Q. And isn't it true, sir, that you have no personal knowledge of whether Ms. Easterling contacted Duke about the account between August, 2011, and November 20, 2011?
- A. Based upon the records, I have seen in CMS, there was no contact made by anybody, yes.
- Q. I asked if you had any personal knowledge as to whether Ms. Easterling contacted Duke.
- 10 A. Based upon the records I have reviewed, I
- 12 Q. And you have no knowledge outside of the record you reviewed; is that correct?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- Q. And isn't it true you have no personal knowledge of whether anyone else contacted Duke about the Easterling account between August, 2011, and November 20, 2011?
- A. I think based upon the records, nobody contacted Duke.
- Q. Okay. And you have no knowledge outside of the records that you reviewed; is that correct?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- Q. And isn't it true, sir, that Ms. Lykins
 talked to a Duke technician regarding the account in

September -- or actually in summer of 2011?

A. I have no idea.

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- Q. Sir, isn't it true that Duke did not contact Gail Lykins between November 4 and November 2 to tell her electric had been disconnected at the property?
- 7 MR. McMAHON: Objection. Did Counsel say 8 between November 4 and November 2?
- 9 MS. BOJKO: I am sorry. May I rephrase?
 10 I will withdraw that question.
- 11 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay.
- Q. Sir, isn't it true Duke did not contact

 Gail Lykins between November 4 and November 21 -- or

 November 20, excuse me, to tell her electric had been

 disconnected at the property?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Relevance and also presumes facts not in evidence as to any duty on the company to contact a noncustomer.
- 19 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
 - A. Can you please repeat the question?
- 21 Q. Sorry. I will try a third time.
- 22 A. It's a charm.
- Q. Isn't it true that Duke did not contact
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- A. I would say that is true.
- Q. And isn't it true that Duke did not contact Gail Lykins prior to November 4, 2011, to tell her that electric service was in danger of being disconnected?
- 7 MR. McMAHON: Objection, relevance.
- 8 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
 - A. I guess aside from knowing where she's residing, I don't know -- I don't know where she lived at the time, right? I mean, are you assuming she didn't live at the premises?
- Q. Oh, I'm sorry. I said Gail Lykins the daughter.
- 15 A. Yeah. I don't know where she lived.
- 16 Q. I asked isn't it true that Duke did not contact?
 - A. We did not make personal contact with her.
- 19 Q. Thank you.
- And, sir, isn't it true that you

 21 personally do not believe Duke is required to contact

 22 the customer during the winter heating season to

 23 inquire into payment plans?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Vague and ambiguous, the definition of "contact."

- 1 A. Please repeat it again.
- 2 EXAMINER PARROT: Yeah. Let's rephrase
- 3 it.
- 4 Q. Isn't it true you don't believe Duke is
- 5 | required to contact the customer during the winter
- 6 heating season to inquire into heating plans?
- 7 MR. McMAHON: Same objection, your Honor.
- 8 It seems like the exact same question.
- 9 EXAMINER PARROT: Let's rephrase it to be
- 10 more specific about what you mean by "contact,"
- 11 Ms. Bojko.
- 12 Q. Isn't it true, sir, that you do not
- 13 | believe that Duke has to telephone the customer
- 14 during the winter heating season to explain the
- 15 | payment plans?
- 16 A. Okay. I am going to ask you to repeat it
- 17 one more time.
- 18 MS. BOJKO: Could I have it reread.
- 19 (Record read.)
- 20 A. So I guess my question to you is, is the
- 21 | customer calling in to Duke or is Duke calling the
- 22 | customer?
- Q. My question was Duke contact; Duke call a
- 24 customer.
- 25 A. I don't believe that Duke calls the

400 1 customers. 2 And you don't believe that they are Q. required to reach out to the customers; is that 3 correct? 5 Α. Oh, I think you have to define "reach 011t. . " 6 7 MR. McMAHON: Objection. 8 We notify the customers of payment plans. Α. You don't believe Duke has to 9 Ο. 10 affirmatively contact or call the --11 I don't believe that Duke has to call. I 12 think Duke has to notify the customer of payment 13 plans. 14 Okay. Thank you for that clarification, Ο. 15 sir. MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time may I 16 17 have marked as OCC P, OCC Exhibit P, the PUCO rule 4901:1-18-09. 18 19 EXAMINER PARROT: So marked. 20 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 21 MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor? 2.2 EXAMINER PARROT: You may. 23 MR. McMAHON: Just for the record, your 24 Honor, as with the prior document, this doesn't even 25 identify an effective date for this version.

401 MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I would have the 1 2 same response. 3 EXAMINER PARROT: I'm sorry? MS. BOJKO: I will have the same response 4 5 for the record. (By Ms. Bojko) Sir, do you have in front 6 Ο. 7 of you what's been marked as OCC Exhibit P which is the Commission rule 4901:1-18-09? 8 9 Α. Yes. 10 And, sir, do you have any reason to Q. believe this was substantially changed from 2011? 11 12 Α. No. 13 Q. And you believe that it is actually either 14 identical or similar to the rules that were in effect 15 in 2011? 16 MR. McMAHON: Objection, your Honor. This is outside -- I am sorry. It's irrelevant. This 17 18 section of the administrative code is not at issue in 19 Mr. Pitzer's amended complaint. 20 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. 21 MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry. There is a 22 question pending. 23 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat it? 24 MS. BOJKO: Sure.

(Record read.)

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. And, sir, Duke is considered a combination utility; is that correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Duke provides both gas -- natural gas and 6 electric services?
- 7 A. Yes.

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- Q. And residential customers and consumers of a combination utility shall have the same rights under the Commission's rules as those who are served by separate natural gas and electric companies; is that what the rules provide for, sir?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And in the event of a pending
 disconnection, customers have the right to choose to
 retain one or both electric or gas -- one or both of
 electric or gas services; is that correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- Q. And as a combination utility, Duke is required to apply payments to each account separately; is that correct?
- 22 A. Can you repeat the question?
- Q. Sure. As a combination utility, Duke is required to apply payments to each account separately; is that correct?

403 1 MR. McMAHON: Objection. To each account? 2 MS. BOJKO: I am not sure what the 3 objection is, "each account"? 4 MR. McMAHON: Form and ambiguous. 5 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. If you need 6 to ask a clarification, Mr. Carmosino, please feel 7 free to do so. 8 I mean, we apply the payments toward the Α. 9 past due balances to both gas and the electric. 10 MS. BOJKO: I am sorry. Can I have that 11 answer reread? 12 (Record read.) 13 Q. Separately, you separately recognize both 14 the charges and payments for gas and electric services. 15 16 Α. Yes. 17 Q. And whenever a customer is receiving both 18 gas and electric service from a combination utility, 19 the utility -- and has received a disconnection of 20 service notice, the utility is required to give the 2.1 customer two options; is that correct? 2.2 Α. Two options about what? 23 Well, let's look at 4901:1-18-09(B). Q.

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                MR. McMAHON: C?
                MS. BOJKO: "C" as in cat.
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     company has to offer an extended payment plan to
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     the customer; is that correct?
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- Q. And if we look at 18-09(F), in a combination utility's disconnection notice, the utility has to advise customers of their rights under (C), (D), and (E) of the prior -09 sections; is that correct?
- A. Yes.

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- Q. So under the prior section (C), the company has to offer two options, an extended payment plan for both services, and an extended payment plan to retain one service; is that correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
 - Q. And under section (D) the company has to notify the customer of their right to notify the company of an inability to pay the full amount due under the payment plan, and the utility is required to offer the customer the opportunity to retain only one service by paying the defaulted payment plan portion for either service as selected by the customer; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And under section (E), the company has to advise the right of having one or both services reconnected as designated by the customer; is that correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. You stated you have your testimony in 2 front of you, sir?
 - A. I do.

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- Q. Could you turn to page 13. We'll use the public version. On page 13, beginning on line 1, you state that \$143.49 was paid; is that correct?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And the \$143.49 that you reference, it was the amount of the August bill; is that correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And it wasn't a partial payment of the 12 August bill; is that correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And you state that the bill was paid on October 12, 2011; is that correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. Could you turn to the -- do you have the November bill attached to your testimony?
- 19 A. I do not.
- Q. You didn't attach the November bill to your testimony, did you?
- MR. McMAHON: Your Honor, we have versions
 now with all of the attachments if you would like us
 to switch them out or show you the exhibits.
- 25 EXAMINER PARROT: I think everyone has

407 1 them except maybe the witness. 2 MR. McMAHON: Right. 3 EXAMINER PARROT: So make sure he gets a 4 copy. 5 MR. McMAHON: May I approach? 6 EXAMINER PARROT: You may. 7 What bill did you say, the November bill? Α. Yeah. You didn't attach the November 8 Q. 9 Easterling bill to your testimony. Did you attach that? 10 I don't believe so. 11 Α. 12 MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I don't think 13 there is a need to mark it as a different number. 14 was attached to Mr. Williams' testimony, Attachment 15 JDW-10, page 7 of 23. 16 I don't have the November bill. Α. 17 MS. BOJKO: If I may approach and provide 18 that attachment to the witness? 19 EXAMINER PARROT: You may. 20 Ο. Do you have in front of you what appears 2.1 to be the November bill for the Easterling account 2.2 that's at issue in this proceeding? 23 Α. Yes. 24 Does it state on the Easterling account in

the middle that a payment was received on October 11?

- It's right above the "Important" box.
- A. I'm sorry, the last payment received was October 11? Yes.
 - Q. And, sir, if a customer pays by the due date on their bill, they are not considered late or delinquent; is that correct?
 - A. Correct.

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- Q. And if a customer pays by the due date on the bill, they are not considered to be in arrears, correct?
- 11 A. If a customer pays that amount, yes.
- Q. Yes, correct, if they pay that amount, they are not considered in arrears?
- A. I guess you have -- if they pay the full amount of the bill, yes.
- Q. Okay. And a bill is not past due until the due date actually elapses; is that correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. On page 3 of your testimony, line 14 --
- A. Wait a minute. I'm sorry. What page?
- 21 Q. 3, line 14.
- 22 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. You reference Rule 4901:1-18-04; is that
- 24 | correct?
- 25 A. Uh-huh.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I can I -- I would like to mark, please, 4901:1-18-04 of the Commission's rules as OCC Q.

EXAMINER PARROT: So marked.

(EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor?

EXAMINER PARROT: You may.

- Q. Sir, do you have in front of you what's been marked as OCC Exhibit Q?
- 10 A. Yes.

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- Q. And does this appear to be the rule -- the substance of the rule you reference on page 3 of your testimony?
- 14 A. Yes.
 - Q. And, sir, an account is considered delinquent and subject to disconnect per the rule when the customer has not made full payment by the due date for any given bill containing a previous balance for regulated services; is that correct?

MR. McMAHON: Objection to the extent that
mischaracterizes the cited rule.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- A. Can you repeat the question?
- Q. Sure. Per the rule, an account is considered delinquent and subject to disconnect when

the customer has not made full payment by the due date for any given bill containing a previous balance for regulated services.

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- Q. And the previous balance is the past due balance from a prior bill; is that correct?
- A. That is not my definition, no. A bill has a due date. When that due date is past, that bill carries a past due balance that is delinquent. That is subject to disconnection.
- Q. And a bill containing a previous balance would be a bill that contains a previous balance from an unpaid prior bill; is that true?
- 14 A. No.
 - Q. Well, wouldn't it be a previous balance of a bill that was already past due?
- A. You have a bill that has a due date. When that due date passes, you have a bill that has a past due balance now.
 - Q. Right. And when the rule says a bill containing a previous balance, a bill would have to contain a previous balance from a prior bill; is that correct?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. So you believe that a bill that has a

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previous balance listed on the bill is not from a prior bill?
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- A. I believe that you are rendered a bill.

 That bill has a due date. When that due date passes,

 your bill has a past due balance that is subject to

 disconnect.
- Q. Okay. And that's not my question. My question is look, for instance, at your MAC-1 attachment to your testimony. The September bill of the Easterling account contains a previous balance from the October bill; is that true?

MR. McMAHON: Objection. Vague,
ambiguous, confusing.

MS. BOJKO: I might have said that wrong.

EXAMINER PARROT: Yes. Try again.

MS. BOJKO: Withdraw that question, your

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- Q. The September bill, attached as MAC-1, contains a previous balance from a previous bill which was the August bill; is that correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. So on the September bill, there is a previous balance for regulated services; is that correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. Okay. So when you look at the September bill, it is a bill containing a previous balance for regulated services; is that correct?
- A. Yes. And as of that due date, the whole bill is not past due and it has two previous balances. I don't understand your point.
- Q. Okay. If we are still looking at MAC-1, you just stated that when the September bill comes due, then and only after that due date passes would there be a past due balance for both the August bill and the September bill; is that correct?
- A. No, no.

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- Q. So you are saying that the September charges would be considered past due before the due date of the bill, September 27, 2011?
- A. No, that's not what I am saying. I am saying the August bill became past due in August when it missed -- when it wasn't paid by the due date.
- Q. And the September bill would not become past due until it missed its due date or the due date past which would have been September 28; is that correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And under the definition of 18-04, the August past due amount does not become delinquent

under 18-04 and subject to disconnect until a payment is not received by the due date for the bill that actually contains the previous balance for regulated services, so it wouldn't be until September 28; is that correct?

MR. McMAHON: Objection.

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MR. McMAHON: Argumentative.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. Not sure we are all on the same page yet, so.

- Q. And it's true, sir, that the September
 bill says "Reminder Notice" not "Delinquent Notice";
 is that correct?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- Q. Now, could you turn to the October bill in your attachments which I believe is MAC-2.
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. On the October bill, it states that it's a disconnect notice; is that correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And you believe that this constitutes the 22 Easterling's 14-day disconnection notice?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And, sir, you believe that the disconnect notice is in the box in the middle of the bill; is

that correct?

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- A. I believe in the box of the bill we put the earliest date to which a customer can be disconnected, yes.
- Q. So under the 18-04 definition that we just referenced, the only amount that was delinquent for electric on October 2 when this bill was produced was \$143.49; is that correct?

9 MR. McMAHON: Objection. It 10 mischaracterizes the document generated on October 4. 11 And it also mischaracterizes the reference to the 12 previous unpaid bill.

13 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the question?

MS. BOJKO: Could you?

16 (Record read.)

- A. No, that is not correct.
 - Q. The only amount that had appeared on a bill that was from a past due balance was the August amount; is that correct?
 - A. No. The August bill was past due. The September bill was past due. So on the October bill, the 248.82 was past due and that's the amount.
- Q. But under the Commission's definition of "delinquent," the only amount that was delinquent was

- the \$143.49; is that correct?
- 2 A. No.

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- Q. And the September services would not have become delinquent until after the October bill was not paid; is that correct?
- 6 A. No.
 - Q. It's your understanding, sir, that the \$143.49 for the August bill constituted \$105.46 for electric and \$38.03 for gas, regulated services; is that correct?
- A. Repeat the question again. What bill are you referring to?
- Q. The August bill -- well, it's on all the bills, but I am asking about the \$143.49. That makes up --
- 16 A. I don't have the breakdown. I want to see 17 the August bill. Okay. I have the August bill.
- Q. Okay. For the August bill, the \$143.49
 was \$105.46 for electric and \$38.03 cents for gas; is
 that correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And just to clarify one other thing on the
 October bill, the only amount that was past due on
 the October bill, as of the October due date, was the
 September charges; is that correct?

- A. Say that one more time.
- Q. The only amount that was past due on October 25, let's say, October 25, was the September charges; is that correct?
- A. So after the payment was made, so -- I am just trying to keep it all in perspective, so ask it one more time so I can --
- Q. After -- so on October 25, the only amount that had been past due were the September charges because the August had already been paid.
- 11 A. Yes. Yes.

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- Q. And Rule 18-04(B), it establishes or sets the parameters for the minimum payment necessary to avoid disconnection; is that correct?
 - A. What rule are you referring to?
- 16 Q. 18-04(B).
- 17 A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. And 18-04(B) is the rule that states that the minimum payment necessary to avoid disconnect shall not be greater than the delinquent amount, i.e., the portion of the bill that represents a previous balance for regulated services; is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And is it your understanding, sir, that if

or once that minimum payment gets made, disconnection procedures will begin over?

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- Q. So on October 2, the minimum payment necessary to avoid disconnection would have been the August bill, the \$143.49; is that correct?
 - A. On August 2?
 - Q. No, October 2.
- A. October 2. When the October bill was created, the disconnect notice, August and September were both past due and subject to disconnection and that's the amount that needed to be paid to avoid disconnection.
- Q. If you look at 18-04, it says the "portion of the bill that represents a previous balance for regulated services..." So the only portion of the bill that represented a previous balance for regulated service was the August bill, correct?
- A. I disagree with you. I say it was the August and September bill.
- Q. But the September bill had not been presented as a past due balance as of --
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Argumentative.
- 24 | Q. -- the October 2 bill.
- 25 A. I disagree.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- A. The September bill became delinquent and past due on the September due date.
- Q. The October bill was the first bill that presented the September charges as being past due; is that correct?
- A. I think they are past due when they are not paid by the due date.
- 9 Q. And so the October 2 bill was the first
 10 bill that presented the past due charges for
 11 September; is that correct? It was the first
 12 opportunity that they would have been past due on a
 13 bill.
 - A. I disagree. I think they are past due when you don't pay by the due date.
 - Q. I understand. I am asking when the first time they are presented on a bill. The October bill would have been the first time that the September charges would have been presented on that bill; is that correct?
 - A. The October bill would have been the first time they would have been presented to the customer as past due. Is that your question?
- 24 O. Yes, sir.

25 A. Oh, I think that's up to interpretation.

Q. I mean, there is no other bill that's produced in the meantime. That's the next bill; is that correct?

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- A. That is the next bill, but I think they are past due if you don't pay it by the due date of that bill, so you can argue what's presented to the customer is --
- Q. I am asking the first time that the September charges are recognized on a bill as past due is the following month, so October 2; is that correct?
- A. I don't believe so. I think it's on the September bill when they are not paid by the due date.
- Q. Okay. And the first time that they are listed in the box at the bottom that says "Previous Bill," that's the first time on the October bill that the September charges would have been listed in that box; is that correct?
- A. I believe they are past due on September, but they are listed on the next bill and carried forward, yes.
- Q. Okay. And it's your understanding that the Easterlings paid the \$143.49 on October 11 is what was stated on the bill; is that correct?

- A. That's what's stated on the bill. I would have to look to see exactly. I think it was the 11 or 12, yes.
- Q. In -- we are still -- do you still have the October bill in front of you?
- 6 A. Yes.

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- Q. On this October bill, the minimum payment necessary to avoid disconnection on October 2 was listed as the \$248.82, not the 143.49 from the August bill; is that correct?
- 11 A. That is correct.
- Q. So if we look at the \$248.82, I want to
 make sure I understand what that calculation is based
 upon, it consists of the total past due amount from
 the August bill, the \$143.49 for both gas and
 electric; is that correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. And then it also contains the total amount due for gas and electric services from the September bill of \$103.18 cents; is that correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And then plus a late fee of \$2.15?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And is it your understanding that a late fee is assessed at 1-and-a-half percent?

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- Q. And it's your understanding that a late fee is a charge, not a service?
 - A. A late fee is a service charge.
 - Q. There's no extra service offered for obtaining the late fee, is there, it's a tariff charge; is that right?
 - A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And if we look at the \$248.82 amount,
 10 \$171.79 was assessed for -- or was -- references the
 11 amount of electric services that were due under your
 12 \$248.82 calculation; is that correct? To help, I get
 13 the 171.79, I get that from \$105.46 for August and
 14 \$66.33 for September?
- 15 A. Yes.
 - Q. And just to complete the record here, then you would have to add \$74.88 for gas services which include \$38.03 for August and \$36.85 for September; is that correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. And then you would add the \$2.15 for a late fee. And so under the calculation of a late fee, it's my understanding that the \$2.15 equates to \$1.58 for electric service and 57 cents for gas?
- A. I didn't do the math, but.

- Q. Subject to check, that's what you would do? You would multiply --
 - A. I would check it out, yes.

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- Q. And then as we've discussed, on October 11 or 12, a payment was made of \$143.49, and of that, \$105.46 was attributed to electric and \$38.33 for gas.
- A. I don't have the breakdown. I didn't look into that information. I just wouldn't know that right now.
- Q. Okay. I thought that we went back and looked at the August bill and you agreed with me it was \$105.46 for electric and \$38.33 for gas?

 MR. McMAHON: Objection. Asked and answered.
 - A. Yeah, I mean, I did.
- 17 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. But?
 - A. You are asking me to testify as to where I think the dollars went and I have not reviewed anything that would look to say it was correct, so I just don't know.
- Q. Oh, thank you. Fair enough. I didn't know that's the distinction you were making. I thought you didn't have the numbers in front of you.

 So what you were saying is you can't sit up there and

- testify today that Duke actually allocated the payment to \$105.46 to electric and \$38.33 to gas.
- A. As I sit here today, I have -- I did not look at that, so I wouldn't know what it did.
 - Q. Okay. And so on October 12 or 13, after the payment was made, the August bill was no longer delinquent; is that correct?
 - A. That's -- yes.

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- 9 Q. So when the amount of the payment was
 10 made, the August bill had been delinquent
 11 approximately 46 days; is that correct?
- A. Well, I don't have a calendar, but, you know, it would have been however you characterized it, I guess.
- 15 Q. It would have been from after the due date
 16 on August and you would calculate that until October
 17 11 or 12, is that fair, the number of days that's
 18 passed?
- A. Yes, but that's not how we consider it a past due. It was two bills behind, so it would have been in the 60-day bucket, it would have been past due two, so.
- 23 Q. I'm sorry, were you finished?
- 24 A. Finished.
- Q. Okay. So we looked at the August bill.

- The due date of the August bill was August 26; is that correct?
 - A. Yes, uh-huh.
 - Q. Okay. So the August 26 bill did not become past due or late until the 27th; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. So you would calculate the number of days from August 27 until it was paid on October 11 and that gives you 46 days; is that correct?
 - A. Subject to check, I can say that's fine.
- Q. And then after the October 12 payment, the only past due amount on the October bill was for the September regulated services; is that correct?
- A. I think that's a fair statement. I think it was 105-and-some-change or something.
- Q. Okay. It was. And of that total that you just referenced, \$66.33 was the part that was attributed to electric; is that correct?
 - A. If you are saying the electric charge in September was \$66, I can agree with that, yes.
- Q. Okay. So that was the electric amount that was past due after the payment was made on October 11 and 12.

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- Q. So on the due date of the October bill on October 26, the amount -- the only amounts due for electric regulated services at that point were \$66.33 for the September past due bill, and then \$41.74 for the current October bill; is that correct?
 - A. Say that one more time.
- Q. The only amounts due on October 26 were \$66 -- for electric, \$66.33 for the September bill, past due bill, and \$41.74 for the current October bill.
- 12 A. And you are only asking about the 13 electric, correct?
- 14 O. Yes.
- 15 A. Yeah, that's fair.
 - Q. And for the gas services on October 26, the amounts that were due were the past due amount for the September bill of \$36.85 and the current October bill for \$78.77.
- 20 A. Fair.
- Q. And given that the September electric charges and gas charges were due on September 27, on November 2 for the next bill, the amount that was past due had been past due for 36 days; is that correct?

- A. Subject to check, yes. I would agree.
- Q. And then on November 2, when the new bill came out, the October bill amounts had been past due for six days; is that correct? October 27 to November 2?
- A. Or they would have been in the 30-day bucket, they would have been a bill behind, but yes.
- Q. You keep saying "a bill behind," but those charges, those October charges were not due until October 26, 2011, correct?
- 11 A. Yes.

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- Q. So now let's look at the November bill.

 This is November 2.
- A. Uh-huh.
- 15 Q. I'm sorry, strike that.

On November 4 -- we just talked about what was due on November 2. So on November 4, when the electric service was disconnected, the delinquent amount subject to disconnect were the \$66.33 for electric and the \$36.85 for gas; is that correct?

A. Yes, I think so.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I have a document that is Attachment JDW-10. Consistent with the question from Ms. Spiller previously, even though it's an attachment to a testimony, would you like me

427 to remark it or just refer to it as the attachment to 1 2 the testimony? EXAMINER PARROT: I think we've already 3 referred to the attachment to Mr. Williams' testimony 4 5 so we can --MR. McMAHON: We also referred to it with 6 7 Mr. Carmosino, with the November bill. EXAMINER PARROT: That's what I mean. 8 9 MS. BOJKO: May I approach? This was 10 filed, so I am assuming everybody else has a copy, but their witness might not. It's JDW-10. 11 12 Α. I have it. The November bill. 13 0. Do you have the whole entire attachment for Mr. Williams? 14 15 Α. I don't know. 16 Q. It's a 23-page document. 17 Α. I don't. 18 MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor? 19 EXAMINER PARROT: You may. 20 MS. BOJKO: Do you need a copy, 2.1 Mr. McMahon? 22 MR. McMAHON: No. 23 Q. Okay. So does this -- does JDW-10 appear 24 to be a Duke discovery response? 25 Α. Yes.

Q. Okay. And you have no reason to doubt the accuracy of the discovery response provided by your counsel, do you?

MR. McMAHON: Objection, your Honor. It's set forth in the document. Mr. Carmosino was not identified as the person responsible for the company's response. It identifies "Legal." Over objections, certain documents were produced.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

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- Q. I just asked you if you had any reason to doubt the accuracy of your counsel's response in the --
 - A. I haven't read it. I mean . . .
- 15 Q. Please take a moment to read the discovery 16 request and response.
- A. I have no reason to believe that it's inaccurate.
- Q. And, sir, does the discovery response
 POD-01-006 reference Attachment Pitzer POD-01-004
 after objections?
 - A. That's what it says, yes.
- Q. And then if you look at the page attached to this discovery response, do they all have a heading that was produced by Duke that says

- Attachment Pitzer-POD-01-004 and contains 22 pages?
- 2 A. I believe so, yes.

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- Q. And was this request "Produce any and all utility bills and/or notices that were mailed and/or left at the residence between August 2011 and December 2011"?
- A. What was your question to me?

 MS. BOJKO: Can I have it reread?

 (Record read.)
- 10 A. This is not all of them, no. I would say no.
- Q. Okay. Thank you. You believe that there are more documents that were sent to the -- mailed and/or left at the premise between August, 2011, and December, 2011, that are not attached to this discovery response?
- 17 MR. McMAHON: Objection, your Honor. Just 18 for the record, Counsel is not providing 19 Mr. Carmosino, who again is not the person 20 responsible for this discovery response, with the 2.1 company's supplemental discovery response that was 22 served on opposing counsel and the parties in this case, and which does contain an additional document. 23 24 So I think it's misleading.
- MS. BOJKO: I mean, I think the witness

can respond. I think he can testify to that, which
he just did. But I also would note the objection to
the "Legal," you can't mark everything, the
responsible party of "Legal" and then not allow the
witnesses responsible for certain documents to be
asked questions about them.

7 EXAMINER PARROT: The objection is 8 overruled.

9 MS. BOJKO: Do you need my question 10 reread?

THE WITNESS: If there is a question out there, I do.

MS. BOJKO: I do too.

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Q. And, sir, in this -- you have been referring to the holiday train notice bill insert that is not included in this packet that we discussed earlier today that would be an additional piece of information that was not provided?

A. You know --

MR. McMAHON: I am going to object to the form of the question to the extent it suggests that the company did not produce a document in response to a discovery request. Again, Counsel has the

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supplemental response in her possession and is intentionally misleading the witness.
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MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I'm not. That's why I asked him if that's what he is referring to.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

A. I mean, I didn't pay attention to all the particular bill inserts. If that's not in here, that would have been the insert, from what I learned today, that was in a bill, yes.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, if we may have a moment, we are trying to confirm a representation by the company.

Your Honor, there is a representation there was a supplemental response to this. We cannot locate it. If the company believes that that's the case, if they could maybe show us.

MS. SPILLER: So are you referring,

Ms. Bojko, to Pitzer-POD-01-006?

MS. BOJKO: Correct.

MS. SPILLER: So that one was supplemented on November 23. I'm sorry, Pitzer. We did supplement.

MR. LANE: I didn't get a supplemental response to that particular production request that I recall.

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                MS. SPILLER: Pitzer-POD-01-006, we have.
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                MS. BOJKO: Yeah, not 6. There is no
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                MR. LANE: But not Pitzer Interrogatory --
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MS. SPILLER: Mr. Lane, I don't know how else to say it. We supplemented -- we gave you a supplemental response to Pitzer-01-006 --

MR. LANE: I don't have it.

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MR. LANE: And I'll just state we didn't get a supplementation of that particular one.

MR. McMAHON: Your Honor, I think we are above the discovery process here. They have the document that they are talking about. It's already been introduced into evidence.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I think what I am trying to tell you, we don't have --

MR. McMAHON: DEO Exhibit H has already been admitted into evidence.

MS. SPILLER: Kim, do you have the supplemental response to Pitzer-01-014 and supplemental responses to Pitzer-POD-00 -- 01-004 and OCC-POD-02-002?

MS. BOJKO: No. I am looking for the supplemental response to Pitzer-01-006.

MS. SPILLER: I understand what you are looking for, but you say you don't have that response. My question is, do you have the other ones because they are what are referred to in that supplemental response to POD-01-006.

MR. LANE: It's hard to tell if we don't have the response itself. I don't believe there was any response.

MS. BOJKO: I am looking at the January
11, and it does not have a supplemental to that one.

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MS. SPILLER: Well, Kim, how about the letter I sent you on January 11 with all the attachments?

6 MS. BOJKO: That's the one I pulled up,
7 the letter.

EXAMINER PARROT: Let's go off the record.

(Discussion off the record.)

EXAMINER PARROT: Let's go back on the record. I think, Mr. Lane, we'll start, I think you wanted to state on the record your position with respect to Mr. McMahon's representation that there was a supplemental response. I am going to give both of you the opportunity now to get that out on the record and we'll move forward.

MR. LANE: Okay. So for the record, what we appear to be missing at least from what was served on our office on behalf Mr. Pitzer is supplemental responses to Mr. Pitzer's first set of document requests. There were two that were provided today that I've seen for the first time. There's also been a representation made that there were no new documents produced. We don't know if there were attachments to those or not. But if there weren't,

then we're willing to agree we have received all the documents. We don't have the responses themselves.

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EXAMINER PARROT: Ms. Bojko, anything you wish to add to that?

MS. BOJKO: Yes, your Honor. There's a line of questioning about Attachment JDW-10. And there was a reference by Counsel that that particular attachment which is a discovery response to Pitzer-POD-01-006 and 22 attachments called Attachment Pitzer-POD-01-004 that is referenced in the discovery response that that had in some way been supplemented or added to. And so the record is clear, that has not occurred, so attachment JDW-10 is correct and it has not been supplemented that we are aware of, your Honor.

MR. McMAHON: For the record, your Honor,
Duke Energy Ohio records reflect that Pitzer
POD-01-006 was supplemented. We have provided both
counsel with a copy of that written supplemental
response, but more importantly the supplemental
response referenced therein refers to prior
supplemental discovery responses which I believe both
counsel have acknowledged they have including the
document attached to those other discovery responses.
No additional documents were produced with the Pitzer

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POD-01-006 supplemental response, so Mr. Lane and Ms. Bojko have everything from the company.
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MS. BOJKO: And just so the record is clear, your Honor, when he said "provided to parties," he meant that it was provided to, during the hearing, a few moments ago, and we have not yet been able to locate a service copy of that document. So Attachment JDW-10 has not been supplemented prior to the hearing today as far as both OCC's records and Complainant's records.

11 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay.

MS. BOJKO: So is it possible -- I'm not sure what my last question was. I hate to do this to you, but.

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Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Okay. And, Mr. Carmosino, thank you for bearing with me. If you look at Attachment Pitzer POD-01-004 which the company attached to Pitzer or referenced in Pitzer-POD-01-006, there are no disconnection notices contained in this packet; is that correct?

- A. That -- disconnect insert is not in this packet.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. The disconnect notice from the bill is.

- Q. The bill is in the packet, but not separate disconnection notices; is that correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. I am finished with that at this time,
 Mr. Carmosino. I would like to turn your attention
 back to the Commission rules.
 - A. Which one?
 - Q. It's your understanding, sir, that the Commission rule 18-06 sets forth the rules for utilities to disconnect customers if the customer is delinquent as defined by 18-04, correct?
- 12 A. Yes.

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- MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I
 would like to mark OCC Exhibit R, Administrative Code
 4901:1-18-06.
- 16 EXAMINER PARROT: So marked.
- 17 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
- MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor?
- 19 EXAMINER PARROT: You may.
- MR. McMAHON: Just as I did before, your
- 21 | Honor, I would like to note for the record the
- 22 effective date on this document.
- 23 EXAMINER PARROT: It's April 5, 2015.
- 24 Thank you.
- MR. McMAHON: Thank you.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Mr. Carmosino, do you have in front of you 4901:1-18-06?
- A. I do.

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- Q. And similar to the other questions I've been asking you today regarding these Commission rules, is it your understanding that 18 is substantially similar, if not identical, to 4901:1-18-06 that was in effect in 2011?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And Section (A) of 18-06 says that utilities must give residential customers a 14-day notice before service can be disconnected; is that correct?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Form of the question, paraphrasing.
- 16 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- 17 A. It says after at least 14 days, yes.
- Q. And (A)(1), and I am paraphrasing, (A)(1)
 says that no disconnection can be made after
 12:30 p.m. on the day before all services necessary
 for the customer to arrange for connection and the
 utility to perform reconnection; is that correct?
 - A. Correct.
- Q. And 18-06(2) states there must be personal notice to the customer, at least an adult at the

- residence, on the day of disconnection; is that correct?
 - A. Is that a paraphrasing of it?
 - Q. Yes.

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- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. And also in summary form, 18-06 requires
 the utility to provide notice to the customer or an
 adult consumer; is that correct?
 - A. Repeat the question.
- Q. Sure. 18-06 requires a utility company to provide notice to either the customer or an adult consumer on the day of disconnection; is that correct?
- 14 A. Attempt to provide, yes.
- Q. Well, let's look at (2), the very first sentence of 18-06(2) says "On the day of disconnection of service, the utility company shall provide the customer with personal notice"; is that correct?
- 20 A. That's what it says, yes.
- 21 Q. It doesn't have the word "attempt" in there, does it?
- A. There is more to it. You were paraphrasing, so I was paraphrasing.
- Q. Right. But on the first sentence it says

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you shall -- a company "shall give the customer personal notice"; is that correct?
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Q. Okay. And then it states that if a customer is not at home, the utility still has to give personal notice, does it not?

MR. McMAHON: Objection to form.

- A. If the customer is not at home, the utility company shall provide personal notice to an adult consumer. If neither the customer nor an adult consumer is at home, the utility company shall attach a written notice to the premises in a conspicuous place, yes.
- Q. So my statement was correct, that a utility company is required to provide personal notice. It provides different mechanisms to do that --
 - A. Sure. Right.
- 20 personal notice; is that correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And if we go to 18-06(5) which is on 23 page 2.
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. There is a list of specific requirements

for all disconnection notices or documents accompanying a disconnection notice; is that correct?

A. Yes.

- Q. And Subsection (A) (5) (a) of the rule requires that disconnection notice -- that the disconnection notice include the account number, the total amount required to prevent disconnection of the regulated services, and/or a security deposit owed at the time of the notice; is that correct?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And then also subsection (A)(5)(b) of the rule requires that the disconnection notice include the earliest date when disconnection may occur; is that correct?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. And (c) of that same section, so (A) (5) (c) of the rule requires that the disconnection notice include the local or toll-free number and address of the utility company's office for customers to contact about their account; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And section (d) requires the disconnection notice to include specific language regarding how the customer may contact the Commission or the Consumers' Counsel; is that correct?

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- Q. And (e) requires the disconnection notice to include the amount of the security deposit and a reconnection charge, correct?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. And (f) of the rule requires the disconnection notice to include a statement that failure to pay charges for any nontariffed products or services may result in the loss of those products or services; is that correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
 - Q. And (g) discusses payment plan -- or states that the disconnection notice must include an explanation of the payment plans and options for PIPP customers; is that correct?
- 16 A. That is correct.
 - Q. And (h) of the rule requires the disconnection notice to include information regarding a medical certification program; is that correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, are you familiar with the medical certification program, sir?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. In subsection (A)(5)(I) of the rule, it requires the disconnection notice include a statement

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that a listing of the utility company's authorized payment agents is available by calling the company's toll-free customer service number; is that correct?
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- A. Yes.
- Q. And MAC-2, the attachment to your testimony, MAC-2?
- 7 A. Yes.

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- Q. This is Duke's 14-day disconnection notice; is that correct?
- 10 A. The disconnection notice.
- 11 Q. On the customer's bill?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And the notice is in the box in the middle of the bill; is that correct?
- A. There's some information contained in the middle of the box, yes.
- Q. Okay. And the notice in the box doesn't include the amount of a reconnection charge; is that correct?
- A. That is correct. Our disconnection notices, both the bill and the pink accompanying insert, that fills the requirement for all those rules.
- Q. Okay. And so the -- you believe that a customer would have to have both, the disconnection

notice on the bill as well as the generic disconnection bill insert; is that your understanding?

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- Q. Your statement to me is that you believe that in order to have a 14-day notice, so to speak, the customer would have to look at the customer's bill for some information and then would also have to look at a separate generic disconnection bill insert?

 MR. McMAHON: Objection.
- Q. Is that correct?
- MR. McMAHON: Mischaracterizes the witness's testimony. He defined what constituted the company's disconnection notice.
- MS. BOJKO: That's actually what I was just trying to clarify.
- 17 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- A. Our disconnection notice contains both the bill and the pink disconnect. That's what our disconnection notice is.
- Q. And that's your 14-day disconnection notice; is that correct?
 - A. That is our disconnection notice, yes.
- Q. Okay. And the -- the second piece of information that you say needed to be -- you say that

- both documents need to be considered together; is
 that fair?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. To be your notice?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. And the second document that you are referencing that's not -- it's attached MAC-3; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.

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- 10 Q. Okay. MAC-3 is the generic -- what we have been calling the generic pink disconnection notice; is that correct?
- 13 A. That's correct.
 - Q. Okay. And going back to the bill disconnection notice, the bill -- on the bill, the box on the bill, this does not include any specific language about a reconnection charge; is that true?
 - A. On this bill it does not, no.
- Q. And on this bill, the notice doesn't include any specific language regarding how the Commission -- or how the customer --
- A. It tells the customer there will be -- a reconnection charge will be required. I mean, I don't know what you mean specific as a dollar amount?

 Is that what you mean by "specific"?

Q. Yes.

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- A. It does not have the dollar amount on this bill, but there is a reference to a reconnection charge.
 - Q. Thank you. And the bill does not have language regarding how the Commission -- how the customer could call the Commission or the OCC to discuss its payment options as listed in (A)(5)(d) of the rule; is that correct?
- 10 A. It is on the pink disconnect, yes.
- 11 Q. So it is not on the bill; is that correct?
- 12 A. It's not on this bill. It's on the pink
 13 disconnect.
- Q. Okay. And on this particular
 disconnection notice bill in the box or elsewhere, it
 doesn't include an explanation of different types of
 payment plan options; is that correct?
 - A. On the pink disconnect.
- 19 Q. Not on the bill?
- 20 A. Not on the bill.
- Q. Thank you. And there is no information on the disconnection bill about medical certification either; is that correct?
- 24 A. On the disconnect?
- Q. In your testimony on page 6 you state that

- the insert, the pink insert that we were just talking
 about, MAC-3 --
 - A. I'm sorry, where are you now? I have got so many papers up here.
 - Q. I'm sorry, page 6 of your testimony.
- 6 A. Uh-huh.

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- Q. On lines 16 and 17 you state that

 8 Attachment MAC-3 was inserted into the bill. You say

 9 "was included with the utility bill mailed on

 10 October 4...." Do you see that?
- 11 A. Yes.
- Q. Isn't it true you have no personal knowledge of whether the bill insert was actually put in the envelope and mailed to the Easterlings on October 4?
- A. I have no personal knowledge specific, but it's my understanding that all disconnect bills get a pink disconnect notice.
- Q. Right. But, again, you have no knowledge about the specific Easterling account; is that correct?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Asked and answered.
- 24 EXAMINER PARROT: Sustained.
- Q. And isn't it true you have no personal

- knowledge as to whether the Easterlings received the bill or the bill insert?
- A. I would have no idea if they got the bill or bill insert. According to our records in CMS, the bill was mailed.
- Q. And isn't it true, sir, you are not the subject matter expert as to bill inserts and the actual bills; is that correct?
- A. You mean as far as -- I mean, what do you mean I am not the expert on inserts? As far as how they are inserted into a bill?
- Q. Are you the subject matter expert as to the insert and as to the bills?
 - A. I am not --

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- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Mr. Carmosino has been identified as a subject matter expert with respect to the company's credit and collection practice, policies, and procedures which include sending the bill, the pink bill insert with disconnection -- in customers' bills subject to disconnection.
- EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. I think he can say that then.
- A. I am the subject matter expert as it comes to the disconnection process, which would include the

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insert, but I feel like your question was about inserts in general and how they are inserted in a bill.
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- Q. So you are not the subject matter expert with regard to putting inserts into the envelope and making sure that mailings occur; is that fair?
 - A. That is fair.
- Q. And, sir, you didn't personally put the inserts into the Easterlings' October 4 bill; is that correct?
- 11 A. I did not.

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- Q. And your only knowledge concerning the
 Easterlings' bill and the inserts that were included
 in the bill is with regard to Duke's practice of how
 those are collated and put together and mailed; is
 that correct?
 - MR. McMAHON: Objection. Mischaracterizes the witness's direct testimony.
- 19 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the question?
- MS. BOJKO: Can I have it repeated,
- 22 please?
- 23 (Record read.)
- 24 THE WITNESS: One more time.
- MS. BOJKO: I will rephrase, your Honor.

- Q. Your knowledge regarding the inserts being included in the bill is with regard to the typical or regular practice of Duke; is that correct?
- A. It is our policy and procedures that that pink disconnect accompany every disconnect bill.
- Q. Right. But I am saying your knowledge that you just stated is regard -- is with regard to the typical or regular Duke practice. You are speaking generally, that's what your knowledge is with regard to; is that correct?
- 11 A. Yes.

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- Q. And is it true you did not attach to your testimony the written notice that Duke's service technicians leave at the customer's residence if the customer or adult consumer is not at home?
- 16 A. I did not.
 - Q. Let's look specifically at MAC-3, please, attached to your testimony. A couple of questions.
- 19 A. Okay.
- Q. The document attached as MAC-3 is the -21 strike that.
- The document MAC-3 does not have
 information specific to the Easterlings' account; is
 that correct?
- 25 A. It does not.

- Q. And it doesn't have any specific information to the Easterlings' account at all; is that correct?
 - A. Correct.

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- Q. And this document can be described as a form or generic disconnection notice; is that fair?
 - A. Sure, yeah.
- Q. And did the October 4, 2011, bill mailed to the Easterlings that we just discussed a few minutes ago, Attached as MAC-2, does that bill reference the form or generic notice of MAC-3 that you state was included?
- A. Well, I think the bill says disconnect notice and the insert says disconnect notice. So I think it's in reference.
 - Q. Does the bill specifically tell a customer to go review the included disconnection notice, the pink pamphlet?
- 19 A. No.
- Q. And, sir, you are aware, sitting here
 through the last couple of days, that there were
 other inserts that were mailed with the -- allegedly
 mailed with the Easterlings' bill on October 4, 2011?
- 24 A. That is my understanding, yes.
- Q. Okay. Let's go back to the Rule 18-06.

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- A. Sure.
- Q. 18-06(B) is what's commonly called as the winter rule; is that correct?
- 5 A. No.

- 6 Q. You call this something else?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. What do you call 18-06(B)?
- 9 A. The winter heating season.
- 10 Q. Okay. So the winter heating season that's
- 11 | previously defined as November 1 through April 15; is
- 12 | that correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And, sir, you don't believe that this
- 15 | winter heating season -- well, you don't believe that
- 16 | section 18-06(B) is the same as the winter reconnect
- 17 order, do you?
- 18 A. I do not.
- 19 Q. But, sir, you believe the winter rule is
- 20 the same thing as the winter reconnect order?
- 21 A. That is what Duke Energy and its customers
- 22 refer to it as, yes.
- MS. BOJKO: Well, I move to strike the
- 24 reference to its customers. That's purely
- 25 | speculative. He has no idea what the customer would

- or would not refer to it. I am asking from his company's perspective.
- MR. McMAHON: I disagree, your Honor. The witness has identified his understanding and the common understanding of those phrases.
- EXAMINER PARROT: I am going to allow the answer to stand and the Commission can take it for what it's worth.
- Q. Do many of your customers use the winter reconnect order, sir?
- 11 A. The winter rule.
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Relevance.
- 13 EXAMINER PARROT: Hang on a second.
- 14 Overruled. Go ahead.

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- A. I mean, I don't have the numbers in front of me. I know that we track the number of customers that use the winter reconnect order, but I haven't looked at them, so I don't know.
- Q. And just so we're clear, even though
 18-06(B) is a rule, you would not call the -- this a
 winter rule?
- A. I would refer to it as the winter heating season.
- Q. Okay. And you do understand, sir, that
 the winter reconnect order has a different date time

frame than the 18-06(B) which you are calling the winter heating season?

- That is correct. Α.
- So if we look at 18-06(B), in summary, Ο. this rule states that if a payment is not received before the disconnection date during the winter heating season period, November 1 through April 15, then the utility shall not disconnect service for nonpay unless the utility does three things; is that correct?
- 11 MR. McMAHON: Objection.
- 12 Α. Yes.

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- 13 MR. McMAHON: Mischaracterizes, misstates 14 what the rule provides.
- 15 EXAMINER PARROT: She did clarify that she 16 was trying to summarize it and paraphrase it.
- 17 MS. BOJKO: I was trying not to read it.
- 18 I'm sorry, your Honor.
- 19 EXAMINER PARROT: I think that's fine.
- 20 Overruled.
- 2.1 And 18-06(B) specifically references if Ο. 22 payment or payment arrangements are not made to prevent disconnection before the disconnection date 23 24 stated on the 14-day disconnection notice; is that

A. Yes.

- Q. And if payment is not made to prevent disconnection, the utility company is required to make contact with the customer or adult consumer at the premises 10 days prior to disconnection of service by personal contact, telephone, or hand-delivered written notice, or they can mail a disconnection notice -- a personal 10-day notice; is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
 - Q. And if the company does choose to mail it, then they have to provide three extra days for mailing; is that correct?
 - A. That is correct.
 - Q. So it's your understanding that the 10-day notice required in 06(B)(1) extends the date of disconnection as stated on the 14-day notice by 10 additional days.
 - A. Ma'am, Duke Energy does it; provide the 10-day notice. We provide a total of 24 days up front. We add the 14 and the 10 up front, giving the customers the total of 24 days. The Commission is aware of what we do. The auditors are aware of what we do and they have not found fault with that.
 - MS. BOJKO: Well, your Honor, I move to

strike the whole answer as nonresponsive because that's not what I asked him. I asked a different question entirely. At a minimum, any reference to what the Commission has or has not approved or an auditor, should be stricken.

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THE WITNESS: Isn't the 2008 auditor report in this, where we provided our disconnection policies?

MS. BOJKO: There is an objection pending.
THE WITNESS: Oh.

EXAMINER PARROT: There is a motion pending and I am going to deny the motion. I think he did answer the question initially and then went on to elaborate on his response.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Okay. Could you look at (B)(1) of 18-06. Does it specifically state that the additional notice shall extend the date of disconnection as stated on the 14-day notice required by paragraph (A) of this rule by 10 additional days?
- A. Ma'am, we don't ever disconnect after 14 days, not in the summer, so we keep our timeline consistent. We do it all up front on the bill year round and that's how we do it. Okay? Again, we've been audited. The staff is aware of how we do it and nobody has ever told Duke that we were doing it

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incorrectly. We provide 14 plus the 10. In the wintertime, the customer gets a 10-day notice prior to disconnection.
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MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time, I move to strike. All I asked him was what (B)(1) stated and I read it verbatim and I asked him if that's what the rule said.

MR. LANE: And on behalf of Mr. Pitzer, we are going to join in that motion.

EXAMINER PARROT: I will grant this one,

11 Ms. Bojko.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you, your Honor.

Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Sir, you would agree -EXAMINER PARROT: Try it again.

MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry?

EXAMINER PARROT: Try it again. Your question.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) 18-06(B)(1) states, does it not, this additional notice shall extend the date of disconnection as stated on the 14-day notice required by paragraph (A) of this rule by 10 additional days?
- A. We add it up front. We put -- we -- the
 14 plus the 10, we do it all up front, year round.
 It's less confusing for the customer.

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EXAMINER PARROT: We have covered this ground already. Answer the question, please. She's just asking you what the rule states.

- A. Can you repeat the question?
- Q. Does the rule state, and I quote, "This additional notice shall extend the date of disconnection, as stated on the 14-day notice required by paragraph (A) of this rule, by 10 additional days"?
- 11 A. That's what the rule says, but we follow
 12 the intent of the rule in the winter by providing 24
 13 days up front.
- MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I move to strike everything after "but."
- MR. McMAHON: Your Honor, the witness is elaborating on his answer.

EXAMINER PARROT: And I allowed him to do it earlier. I will allow this one to stand. Enough on this, all right? Let's move on.

- Q. You would agree, sir, that this rule 06(B) applies to a disconnection date of November 4?
- A. I believe this rule applies to a date on a bill that occurs after November 1 or on November; that's what I think the rule is.

- Q. You don't believe that the rule applies to a disconnection that occurs between November 1 and April 15?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection, your Honor.

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- EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. I am not sure I understood the testimony, so.
- A. Well, as I read the rule, it says

 November 1 through April 15, if payment or payment

 arrangements are not made to prevent the

 disconnection before the disconnection date stated on

 the 14-day disconnection notice, the utility company

 shall not disconnect service, and it goes on. So, to

 me, it has to do with the date on the bill.
 - Q. What date on the bill?
 - A. The disconnection date on the bill.
- Q. So if service -- you think that the bill trumps if a disconnection occurs after November 1?
 - A. I'm just reading how I think the rule is written. I think that if the date on the bill is prior to November 1, that it's not a requirement that somebody get a 10-day notice. That's all I am saying. I am not going to say what trumps anything. That's how we interpret that rule.
 - Q. So if a disconnection was scheduled, if a

disconnection date is November 4 in my example, do you believe that 18-06(B) applies?

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MR. McMAHON: Objection, your Honor. The witness has already answered this question.

- A. I think it would depend -
 EXAMINER PARROT: I am not sure he has.
- A. It depends what date is on the bill. That is my answer. If the date on the bill is prior to November, they would not -- they would not be required to do this. If the date on the bill is after November, it would.
- Q. I'm sorry. Go ahead. So you are stating that if Duke puts a date on the bill of August 1 and goes out and disconnects a customer on December 1, that this rule does not apply?
- A. I think that's a little farfetched. I think we are talking about one particular account. Their disconnection date was October 28. I don't think that they were required to get the additional 10-day notice, although they did, they did get one, I don't think it's required.
- Q. So let me get this clear. If Duke did put -- so you said "farfetched." So you would say, yes, you believe 18-06 would apply under that circumstance if there was a date on the bill prior to

- 1 December 1, but they didn't really -- prior to
- 2 | November 1, but they didn't disconnect until
- 3 December 1?
- 4 MR. McMAHON: Objection. Mischaracterizes
- 5 his testimony.
- 6 A. Ma'am, what I am telling you is if the
- 7 date on the bill is prior to November 1, we are not
- 8 | required to send an additional 10 days, although we
- 9 did, we start that process a little earlier. If the
- 10 date is after November 1, then we are required.
- 11 That's all I'm saying.
- 12 Q. And you are referring to the date on the
- 13 | bill, not the actual disconnection.
- 14 A. That is correct.
- 15 O. So even if a customer is disconnected
- 16 | during the period of November 1 to April 15, you do
- 17 | not believe that that customer should be afforded the
- 18 | additional 10-day notice; is that correct?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Asked and
- 20 | answered several times now.
- MS. BOJKO: Actually, it's a different
- 22 question and he keeps answering differently.
- MR. McMAHON: The witness explained his
- 24 understanding of the rule which specifically refers
- 25 | to the date -- disconnection date stated on the

notice. Ms. Bojko may not like his answer or his explanation, but she keeps asking the same question.

EXAMINER PARROT: Sustained.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I was asking about the 10-day notice this time. May I try to rephrase? I wasn't asking about -- I was asking about if a customer has to be mailed a 10-day notice if they're disconnected after November 1.

MR. McMAHON: And the witness has explained that this rule is triggered if the disconnection date stated on the notice falls on or after November 1. He has explained this several times. It's not the disconnection date that actually happens; it's the date on the bill, on the notice.

EXAMINER PARROT: That was my understanding as well, but.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I am trying to run through some scenarios that the winter rule, what I call the winter rule --

EXAMINER PARROT: Stick with paragraph (B) of the rule.

MS. BOJKO: Thank you. Paragraph (B) of the rule applies during the period November 1 through April 15. It doesn't say it applies to bills before November 1 and November -- April 15. So I am trying

to ask him -- he is thinking only the Easterling account and I am trying to say, hypothetically, if there was a disconnection on December 1, would the -- would the 06(B) be triggered.

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MR. McMAHON: Again, Mr. Carmosino has explained several times that 18-06(B) is triggered if payment or payment arrangements are not made to prevent disconnection before the disconnection date stated on the disconnection notice. If that happens before November 1, it doesn't apply. It's not the actual date of disconnection when it happens.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I move to strike his testimony. That's not -- I mean, the witness -- I am trying to ask these various questions of the witness.

EXAMINER PARROT: Well, that was my understanding. I am agreeing with Mr. McMahon. That was my understanding of the testimony, I guess, so I'm sustaining the objection. If you have a question that's a totally different scenario, I guess, go ahead and try that, but I -- I think we've talked about his understanding of this rule.

Q. (By Ms. Bojko) So even if the company sends out a bill that has a date prior than November 1, even if it's October 31, but they wait until

November 15 to disconnect, you don't think that that customer needs a 10-day notice; is that accurate?

A. That is true.

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- Q. And if the disconnect date is scheduled for November 1, do you believe the customer gets a 10-day notice?
- A. If the disconnection date on the bill is November 1, that is a requirement, yes.
- Q. Okay. And if the disconnection date is

 November 1 and that disconnection date is on the

 14-day notice, is that disconnection date extended by

 10 days under 8-06(B)?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection, relevance.
- MS. BOJKO: Did I say -- 18-06.
- MR. McMAHON: I don't know why any of
 these scenarios are relevant to the facts of this
 case, your Honor.
- EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. I do think

 it's helpful to understand how the witness interprets

 the rule.
- 21 Rephrase your question.
- MS. BOJKO: Could I have it reread,
- 23 please.
- 24 EXAMINER PARROT: Yes.
- 25 (Record read.)

- A. And so I will tell you no. We put the whole 24 days up front, the whole 24 days, the 14 plus the 10 is front-loaded to every customer year round.
- Q. Let's go back to the second requirement of the winter rule. The second requirement is that the utility is required to inform the customer, adult consumer, that assistances for the payment of a utility --
- A. Can I stop you right there. Are you talking about the winter rule or a particular rule here? What are you talking about?
 - Q. Did I use the word "winter rule"?
- 14 A. You did.

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- 15 Q. 18-06(B).
- 16 EXAMINER PARROT: I am just calling it the 17 "rule."
- MS. BOJKO: Obviously, we have a miss -- a different understanding of what the winter rule means.
- EXAMINER PARROT: Terminology. Call it the "rule."
- Q. 18-06(B) has a second requirement which requires the utility to inform the customer or adult consumer that assistances for payment of utility

bills and for home weatherization are available.

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- O. Is that correct?
- 4 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. And that has to be done with the 10-day notice; is that correct?
 - A. Yes. It's on the 10-day notice, yes.
 - Q. And this rule, it's (B)(2) states that it has to be done with sufficient notice in order to allow the customer to pursue assistance; is that correct?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And the utility is also required, under this rule, to inform the customer of the right to enter into any of the payment plans set forth in rule 18-05; is that correct?
 - A. The way I read the rule inform the customer or consumer of federal, state, and local government aid for payment of utility bills and home weatherization is available, and provides sufficient information to get other assistance. I don't see anything specific about payment plans in that (2.)
 - Q. I was referring to the third requirement which is under No. (3) and that the utility is required to inform the customer of their right to

- enter into a payment plan set forth in 18-05; is that correct?
 - A. Uh-huh, uh-huh.
- Q. I'm sorry. She needs a "yes" or "no" for the record.
- 6 A. Yes.

- 7 Q. Thank you. And isn't it true, sir, that
 8 this rule 18-0 -- 18-06(B) does not require that the
 9 use has had to have incurred during November 1
 10 through April 15?
- 11 A. That is correct.
- Q. And you refer to the 6(B) requirement as a 10-day notice or the final disconnection notice; is that correct?
- A. Referring to it as the final notice, yes.
- Q. And that's what you've included as
- 17 Attachment MAC-4 to your testimony?
- 18 A. Yes.
- Q. And in your testimony, you state that this form notice was mailed to the Easterlings on October 19; is that correct?
- A. Based upon our records in CMS, we show that a final notice was mailed, yes.
- Q. You are familiar with CMS; is that correct?

- A. I am familiar with CMS, yes.
- Q. And you have no personal knowledge as to whether the notice was mailed to the Easterlings on November 19; is that correct?
- 5 A. That is correct.

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- Q. And on Attachment MAC-4, Mr. Easterling's or any of the Easterlings' name is not on this notice; is that correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. And the notice is not addressed to anybody. It lists "occupant or"; is that correct?
- 12 A. That is correct.
- Q. And is the Easterlings' account number listed on Attachment MAC-4?
- 15 A. No, it's not.
- 16 Q. In the first line of the text in the
 17 notice states that the recipient should pay the
 18 amount noted on the last bill you receive and refers
 19 to the important message in the body of that bill; is
 20 that correct?
- 21 A. That is correct.
- Q. So this is referencing the last bill that a customer would have received.
- A. Correct.
- 25 Q. So if it was mailed on October 19 and this

- is referencing the October 4 bill, that was received;
 is that correct?
 - A. Uh-huh, yes.
 - Q. And it doesn't say -- it doesn't have a date reference in it; is that correct? It doesn't say go look at your October 4 bill?
 - A. No.
 - Q. And if we did go look at the October 4 bill, the amount that was referenced in the important message was \$248.82?
- 11 A. Yes.

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- 12 Q. But the Easterlings made a payment between
 13 the October 4 bill and this October 19 alleged
 14 notice; is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
 - Q. So does this notice include the amount required to prevent disconnection of the regulated services?
- A. This notice does not. If a customer makes
 a payment -- after the bill is rendered, but before
 the final notices, they have to know that they made
 that payment.
- Q. Well, if they know that they made the payment, and they paid the delinquent bill, then they might not believe this final disconnection notice

applies anymore; is that correct?

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- 2 MR. McMAHON: Objection. Assumes facts 3 not in evidence.
 - A. Well, if they were ever confused, all they had to do is pick up the phone and call. Nobody ever called. None of our records ever say anybody called and there was any confusion. But this would tell me that they didn't satisfy the delinquent amount.
 - Q. Okay. This tells you that you had to go back and look and pay \$248.82 on the account; is that correct?
 - A. It tells you to go back and look at the bill. If you make a payment after that bill is rendered, you would have to subtract that portion out.
 - Q. Okay. And then if they subtracted that portion out, the only amount that was due at that time --
- 19 A. 105.33.
- Q. Well, for the electric service it was only the \$66.33 cents that we discussed from the September bill; is that correct?
- A. This is a combination account so the disconnection amount was 105.33.
- Q. And for the electric services it was

66.33; is that correct?

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- A. That was the past due of the electric or the delinquent amount, but the disconnect amount was 105.
- Q. Well, the past due amount was 105. That disconnection amount is not listed on any of the notices; is that correct?
 - MR. McMAHON: Objection. Asked and answered.
- 10 A. The past due amount is in the October 11 bill. They made a payment. They have to subtract 12 that out of the 248.82.
- Q. Okay. But I am asking you at the time
 they received this disconnection notice on October 19
 or thereabouts --
- 16 A. Yes, uh-huh.
- 17 Q. -- allegedly, that if they did, in fact, 18 receive it, the only amount that would have been due 19 for the electric service which is the one that was 20 ultimately disconnected was \$66.33; is that correct?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Asked and answered.
- 23 A. The disconnect amount for this account was \$105 --
- MR. McMAHON: Mr. Carmosino, could you

1 | wait until the Bench rules on my objection, please.

THE WITNESS: Sure.

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EXAMINER PARROT: You are not waiting on your counsel, so. That's okay.

Overruled. Go ahead.

- A. I don't know what the question was.
- Q. I am asking you, when they received the bill on October -- when they -- if they received this disconnection notice on or about October 19, presumably after if it was mailed on October 19, when they received this disconnection notice the only past due amount for electric service was the \$66.33; is that correct?
- A. If it is a combination account, that would be correct, there was outstanding gas and outstanding electric charges, yes.
- Q. And do you know whether the rate on the bill was a tariffed rate?
 - A. It was a tariffed rate.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I

21 | would like to have marked as OCC Exhibit S,

22 | 4901:1-18-05, a copy thereof.

23 EXAMINER PARROT: So marked.

24 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

MS. BOJKO: May I approach?

EXAMINER PARROT: You may.

- Q. Sir, do you have in front of you what has been marked as OCC Exhibit S?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And is that the Rule 4901:1-18-05?
- 6 A. Yes.

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- 7 Q. And, sir, you are familiar with this rule?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And was the rule in 2011 substantially similar if not identical to the rule stated here?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And --

MR. McMAHON: Your Honor, I object to any questions about 18-05. There are no allegations in the amended complaint regarding this provision of the Ohio Administrative Code. There were in the original complaint, but they were specifically removed with the filing of the amended complaint.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I would just respectfully, as we discussed at length yesterday, the interpretation of the amended complaint and what's at issue or not in this case.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

Q. Sir, is 18-05 have to do with
contacting -- have to do with -- strike that.

Does 18-05 have to do with payment plans and responsibilities of the customer and the utility with regard to payment plans?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And these are the payment plans that were referenced in 18-06(B) that we just discussed?
- A. Yes.

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- Q. And the 18-05 specifically talks about the winter heating season in $18-05\,(\mathrm{B})\,(3)$; is that correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
- Q. And it's your understanding, sir, that
 during the heating -- winter heating season that the
 customers have to be offered an additional payment
 plan than what is typically offered?
- 16 A. Yes.
 - Q. And in 18-05(B)(3), it specifically requires the company to offer the additional payment plan, is that correct, in addition to the one-sixth and one-ninth plan?
- A. Yes. Payment plans would be offered upon contact by a customer, a customer has to initiate the payment plan.
- Q. And in this rule, it does not state that it's upon contact of the customer. It just says the

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utility shall offer to any customer not already on a payment plan; is that correct?
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MR. McMAHON: Objection, your Honor. The first four words, five words of subpart (A) say "Upon contact by a customer."

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I don't believe that (A) is applicable to section (B)(3) necessarily. I think that's an interpretation for this Commission.

EXAMINER PARROT: And I would like to hear what the witness thinks about it, so overruled.

- A. That's the way I feel. "Upon contact by the customer..." The customer contact the utility.
- Q. That's not what I asked. I asked if
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- Q. -- states that the "utility shall offer," and it does not mention at all the customer contacting the utility.
- A. Sure.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I would like to mark as OCC T, a Finding and Order issued in Case

No. 11-4913-GE-UNC, which is the applicable 2011

winter reconnect order.

24 EXAMINER PARROT: So marked.

25 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

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MS. BOJKO: May I approach?

EXAMINER PARROT: You may.
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- Q. Sir, does this appear to be the winter reconnect order that was in effect in 2011 during October through August?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. August?
- 7 Q. Or, I'm sorry. It's getting late. 8 October through April. I had the "A" right.
- 9 A. Yes.

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- MR. McMAHON: Just to be clear, your
 Honor, the dates are October 17, 2011, through
 April 13, 2012.
- 13 EXAMINER PARROT: Thank you.
- MS. BOJKO: Thank you for that clarification.
- Q. I'm sorry. Did you say "yes"? This was the winter reconnect order that was in effect in 2011?
- A. It appears to be, yes. I haven't read the whole thing, but it appears to be.
 - Q. And you are generally familiar with the winter reconnect orders, I think you told me this morning or earlier today; is that correct?
- A. Generally, yes.
- Q. And I said "2011," but this winter

- 1 reconnect order is in effect for the winter
- 2 | heating -- I don't want to call it the "winter
- 3 | heating season" because it's not -- it's in effect
- 4 during a winter period through 2012, so it's
- 5 October 17, 2011, through April 13, 2012, as just
- 6 | noted; is that correct?
- 7 A. Yes.

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- Q. And this winter reconnect order would have been applicable to the Easterling account during that time period; is that correct?
- 11 A. If the Easterlings would have called and invoked the winter reconnect order, yes.
- Q. That's not what I asked. I asked if this would be applicable to the Easterling account.
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Asked and answered.
- 17 A. Yeah. I mean --
- 18 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- A. -- the customer has to invoke the winter rule. So if they would have called and invoked the winter rule, it would have been applicable to their account.
- Q. And this winter reconnect order would have been effective during the period of disconnection of the Easterling home; is that correct?

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- Q. And isn't it true that the winter reconnect order does not require the usage to have been incurred during the period October 17, 2011, through April 13, 2012?
- 6 MR. McMAHON: Objection. Vague,
 7 ambiguous. Require as to what?
 - MS. BOJKO: I'll rephrase, your Honor.
 - Q. In order to take advantage of the winter reconnect order, a customer usage does not have to occur between October 17, 2011, and April 13, 2012.
 - A. That is true.
 - Q. And are you aware that the winter reconnect order states that it is put in place in order to prevent injury to residential customers?
- 16 A. I believe that's correct, yes.
 - Q. Are you aware the winter reconnect states that the Commission expects the utilities to err on the side of maintaining service when there is a doubt as to the applicability or the interpretation of a rule?
 - A. I would agree with that, yes.
- Q. And are you also aware that the winter reconnect order allows a customer to make a payment of less than 175 to secure any default previously

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owed to the utility company?
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- A. Are you talking about agreement default?
- Q. No. A delinquent amount, that any amount, past due amount, this winter reconnect order allows a customer to make a payment of less than 175 in order to maintain their service and then that not count against the winter reconnect order.
- A. That is true.
- 9 Q. Sir, are you aware that the Easterlings
 10 had a second meter on their account?
- 11 A. When?

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- 12 Q. During 2011.
- MR. McMAHON: Second meter on which account? Objection, sorry.
- 15 A. I don't know if you mean --
- 16 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- 17 THE WITNESS: I don't know what she means.
- A. You are going to have to rephrase the question.
- 20 Q. Are you aware --
- 21 A. Gas and electric meter on one account?
- Q. Oh, no. I'm sorry. Thank you.
- 23 A. Okay. I was confused?
- Q. You are aware that they has a gas and
- 25 | electric meter.

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- Q. Are you aware they had a second electric meter on the account?
 - A. In 2011?
- Q. Yes.
- 6 A. I was not.
- Q. So you wouldn't know where that second meter was? You didn't hear testimony yesterday or today about a second meter?
- 10 A. Today, I would, but I didn't in 2011.
- 11 Q. I thought you were asking me if the -- the account I was referencing was 2011.

13 MR. McMAHON: Your Honor, object to the
14 form of the question. The prior testimony has been
15 about a separate electric meter on a different
16 account to the garage. There is no second electric
17 meter -- there is no evidence of one to the account
18 at issue in this case.

MS. BOJKO: I'll rephrase, your Honor.

EXAMINER PARROT: Okay.

- Q. Were you aware that the Easterlings had a separate electric meter servicing their garage?
- 23 A. Yes.

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Q. And, sir, are you aware that there was a credit on the second account?

481 1 MR. McMAHON: Objection, time frame. 2 I did not look at the second account. 3 don't know what was on it. 4 THE WITNESS: Oh, sorry. I was so 5 focused. 6 EXAMINER PARROT: You are. 7 So you -- you would not be aware that Duke Q. actually owed money to the Easterlings during the 8 period of disconnection? 9 10 MR. McMAHON: Objection. Presumes facts 11 not in evidence. 12 MS. BOJKO: I asked if he was aware, your 13 Honor. 14 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. 15 Α. I was not, no. Almost done. Are you okay, sir? 16 Q. 17 I'm fine. Α. 18 MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, at this time I 19 would like to have marked as OCC Exhibit U, a 20 discovery response titled Pitzer-INT-02-001 2.1 Supplemental Confidential, so that will be one we 2.2 will need to save for the confidential. 23 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. So marked. 24 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 25 MS. BOJKO: I am going to try to ask some

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general without having to go into the confidential session, your Honor.
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- Q. Sir, Duke's disconnection policies and procedures with regard to the timelines remain the same as in 2011; is that correct?
- 6 MR. McMAHON: Objection. Remain the same 7 compared to what?
- 8 MS. BOJKO: Today. Today's.
- 9 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. With that 10 clarification, go ahead.
- A. August of 2011 we had a timeline change from 60 days to 30 days. So in August of 2011 to now, has remained the same.
- Q. And you are familiar with the five-year review or I believe you called it an audit that was discussed earlier?
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- 18 Q. An audit.

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- 19 A. Okay. There was a five-year review of the 20 rules, yes.
- Q. And Duke's threshold, disconnection threshold remains the same today as it did in 2011; is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And Duke's disconnection notices are the

same today as they were in 2011; is that correct?

- A. As far as we had a bill and a pink disconnect, if you mean that type of disconnection notice, yes.
- Q. Do you happen to have a copy of 08-1229 in front of you, which was the five-year review that you are discussing that was marked as Duke Exhibit I?
- A. I don't know. There is a thousand papers here. C, B, A, B, F --
- 10 Q. I have another copy.

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MS. BOJKO: May I approach, your Honor?

EXAMINER PARROT: You may.

MS. SPILLER: I don't think that's I. Is that the whole copy? It's like 170 pages.

MR. CARMOSINO: This has got Columbia Gas.

Do you need to --

MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry, your Honor. In order to save paper, as Mr. Carmosino just pointed out, I just copied the section pertaining to Duke, I didn't copy all the other utility companies. Would you prefer I use yours? Okay. I thought I would get an objection about including other companies, so I just cut out Duke's take.

Q. So does this appear to be the review of Duke's credit collection practices in 2010? The

report is dated May 3, 2010.

- A. I know about it. I'm not familiar with this. I wasn't in that department. I have heard things about this, but I am not familiar with everything that's in here, nor have I looked at it, so.
- Q. And I'm just going to reference the Duke policies, I don't want to talk about any other gas company's policies, but is it your understanding that Duke's policy during the review period was 60 days past due and over \$100?
- A. Two bills are in the 60-day bucket. I am not going to say 60 days past due. And it was \$100 to my knowledge, yes. And I don't know when they -- this started either. I thought it was earlier, but.
- Q. So you are disputing the language in the audit report that says, in general, the minimum requirements for disconnection includes 60-day arrears?
- A. Are we talking about a particular page?
- Q. Oh, I'm sorry, 24. III-24. Only Section
 III is about Duke.
 - A. Okay.
- MR. McMAHON: I would object, your Honor, to the extent the witness has already indicated he

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has not reviewed this document. He is not familiar with it. And now Counsel is asking him about language within the document.
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MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, he is the expert about disconnection processes and procedures, and I am only asking him about processes and procedures of disconnection.

EXAMINER PARROT: I would like to get there first. What page are you on again?

MS. BOJKO: 24, III-24.

MR. McMAHON: Just to be clear, your

Honor, Counsel is asking about practices and policies
that are no longer relevant to the facts at issue in
this case as Mr. Carmosino has already testified.

MS. BOJKO: Well, that is something I think that's disputed, your Honor.

EXAMINER PARROT: All right. Rephrase your question, Ms. Bojko, and we will go from there.

MS. BOJKO: Okay. Thanks.

Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Does page 24 of the audit report state that in general, the minimum requirements for disconnection for Duke include 60-days arrears with a balance of \$100 or more, no active payment arrangement in place to address the arrearage, and the first and second disconnection

486 notices have been delivered? 1 2 MR. McMAHON: Objection. Relevance, lack 3 of foundation. 4 Α. Yeah. 5 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. 6 I would say that I was the expert in Α. 7 August of 2011. I don't know when this was created. 8 Q. Okay. Well, does the document say that on 9 page 24? 10 Α. Does it say what? 11 MR. McMAHON: Objection. Asked and 12 answered. 13 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled. Α. 14 Does it say what you --15 Q. Just read, yes. It does say that, but, again, I didn't 16 Α. 17 create this document, I wasn't part of giving data 18 for this, so for me to answer about some of this 19 stuff, I don't really feel comfortable about, 20 especially since this is the first time I have 2.1 actually viewed it. 2.2 Well, it's your understanding, sir, that Q. 23 this -- these minimum requirements for disconnection

were in effect in 2011, at least through August of

when you said there was a change; is that correct?

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- A. Yes. Some of these, yes. I am not going to say everything. I haven't looked at everything. But, you know, two bills behind, a balance of 100.
- Q. And the two notices that are referenced in here would be the 14-day notice and the 10-day notice; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And after part of -- well, no, all of 2011, the requirement of the \$100 threshold was in effect during 2011, in October to November?
- 11 A. Yes.

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- Q. And I would like to talk about the policy of not disconnecting until the account reaches the threshold. Are all accounts eligible to be disconnected under Duke's \$100 threshold policy?
- A. All accounts are eligible to be disconnected under the \$100, yes.
- 18 Q. So if they exceed \$100, then they are eligible for disconnection?
- A. Equal to or greater than 100, yes.
- Q. And isn't it true that you don't know whether all accounts that are eligible for disconnection are actually disconnected?
- 24 A. That is a true statement.
- Q. And it's your understanding, sir, the

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disconnect for nonpay order request in this case was created on November 2, 2011; is that correct?
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- A. No. Oh, yes, yes, yes. I thought -- never mind, yes.
- Q. And you believe that that notice was created for both the electric and the gas accounts?

 MR. McMAHON: Objection to the form of the question. The reference was notice, and this question, the prior question, was about an order.

10 MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry. I didn't intend --

- Q. A disconnect for nonpay order was for both accounts, gas and electric meters, on November 2, 2011; is that correct?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And November 2, 2011, the DNP order was scheduled and then it was completed for the electric on November 4, 2011; is that correct?
 - A. That's my understanding, yes.
- Q. And November 2, when the DNP order was created, that falls during the winter heating season; is that correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And it also falls under the winter reconnect order --
- 25 A. Yes.

489 -- time frame? 1 Q. 2 Α. Uh-huh. 3 And since we use different definitions, Q. November 2 also falls under 18-06(B); is that 4 correct? 5 6 Α. Yes. 7 MS. BOJKO: If I may have a minute, your 8 Honor? 9 EXAMINER PARROT: You may. 10 Q. Sir, when we were talking about 18-06(B), 11 there's nothing in 16 -- 18-06(B) that requires the 12 usage to have occurred during the period of 13 November 1 through April 15; is that correct? 14 Say -- repeat your question. Α. 15 There's nothing in 18-06(B) that requires Q. 16 a customer's usage to have had to have occurred 17 during the period of November 1 through April 15 for 18 Section (B) to apply; is that correct? 19 Α. That is correct. 20 (CONFIDENTIAL PORTION EXCERPTED.) 2.1 22 23 24 25

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- Q. Is it your understanding, sir, that until the missed payment on the August bill, that the Easterlings had not missed prior payments?
- A. I didn't review any prior payments. I have to believe, based on what I reviewed, that they were satisfactory payers. I don't know what to say. I mean --
- 8 EXAMINER PARROT: That's fine.

9 THE WITNESS: Okay.

MS. BOJKO: With the change in what's been redacted or not, your Honor, I am just trying to change my questions. I do have a couple more that I guess aren't considered confidential anymore pursuant to the release of certain information.

EXAMINER PARROT: Okay.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) So could we turn to page 4 of your testimony, sir, on line 6 and 7 of your testimony.
- 19 A. Yes.

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- Q. There's also a reference on page 5, lines
 21 21 and 22 of your testimony you state that it's
 22 Duke's policy to not disconnect customers who has an
 23 arrears on their account for less than \$100; is that
 24 correct?
- 25 A. That is correct.

Q. And it's your understanding that that policy applies to both electric and natural gas accounts; is that correct?

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- A. Our policy is per account. So that applies if you are a combo account. It applies if you just have a single service account. It's per account.
- Q. So you do agree with me that it applies to both the electric and the natural gas accounts; is that correct?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Asked and answered.
- MS. BOJKO: Well, he qualified his answer.

 I am trying to seek clarification.
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Mischaracterizes the witness's testimony.
- 17 EXAMINER PARROT: Sustained.
- Q. Let me try again. If a customer has only gas service with Duke, are they allowed to -- does the \$100 threshold apply to them?
 - A. The gas-only account, yes.
- Q. Yes. And for an electric-only account, it applies to them?
- A. Yes. And you might as well complete it for a combo account, it applies to them. So we have

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- Q. Well, you are familiar with the Commission's rules, I think we read -- referred to it earlier, that requires combo customers to be treated the same as those customers that receive their services from separate utility companies. Do you recall that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And page 5 -- strike that. I will have to save that for the confidential session.
- Sir, you've stated today that you've reviewed some of the CMS records related to the account from August 2011 to November 2011 in preparation of this case; is that correct?
- A. That is true.
- Q. And you included three of those -- three screenshots as MAC-6; is that correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- Q. And isn't it true that you did not review all of the information related to the account?
- 21 A. That's a fair statement, yes.
- Q. Nor did you review all of the linked screens available in CMS from the screenshots that you actually did review; is that correct?
- 25 A. That's probably -- that's a fair

495 1 statement. 2 MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I believe the 3 remaining questions I have would be for the confidential section. 4 5 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay. Let's go off the 6 record. 7 (Discussion off the record.) 8 EXAMINER PARROT: Let's go back on the 9 record. 10 Mr. Lane. 11 12 CROSS-EXAMINATION 13 By Mr. Lane: Okay. Mr. Carmosino, the documents that 14 Ο. we have marked as the Pitzer exhibits are to your 15 16 right. That's it. And they should all be together. 17 Α. Okay. 18 And I would like you -- well, before we do 0. 19 that, let me ask you a question. I want to follow up 20 on something that Ms. Bojko was asking you about. 2.1 You were stating that the disconnection period runs 22 for 24 days. Do you recall that testimony? 23 Α. The disconnection period. 24 Well, the period of time that you give a 0. 25 customer. I am not sure how exactly you would

496 describe it. 1 2 14 plus 10, yes. The disconnection notice 3 on the bill. Ο. Correct. 4 5 Α. Yeah. 6 Okay. So what I am asking you is when 0. 7 does that 24-day period start? It's 24 days from 8 when? 9 Α. The bill prep. 10 0. Okay. From the date the bill is prepared. 11 Α. Yeah. 12 Okay. So if I looked at the bill, it Q. 13 would be the date -- actually the date that the bill was prepared. 14 15 Α. Yeah. 16 All right. And if you need to, you can Q. refer to it, it's in front of you, 06(B), so I 17 18 believe that's Exhibit R. Not in my exhibits, but 19 the exhibits that Ms. Bojko --20 Α. They are all scattered. I have no idea 21 what you are talking. (B). Oh, here, you mean this? 2.2 Q. Yes. 06. 23 Α. Got it. 24 MS. BOJKO: All of mine should be marked 25 as OCC 6 -- or OCC --

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MS. BOJKO: R, whatever the --

MR. LANE: Yeah.

So if you could look at 06(B), where in 0. there do you find the regulatory authority for Duke to do the 14 plus 10 from the date the bill is prepared that you were talking about?

MR. McMAHON: Objection, your Honor. Asked and answered. And this is also friendly cross from a party that's aligned with the OCC.

EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

- I will tell you that our disconnect Α. 13 policies have been audited. That's how we do it.
- 14 So the answer is it's not in the Ο. 15 regulation.
- I think the intent of the regulation is to 16 17 provide 24 days in the summer and that's what we do. 18 We just front load it.
 - Okay. So in responding to my question, 0. you are not referring then to the regulation.
- 2.1 I am saying that the intent of the 22 regulation is 24 days, 10 plus 14, and that's what we 23 do.
- 24 All right. So you are not referring to Ο. 25 any language in the regulation for the 10 plus 24.

- A. I would not say 10 plus 24, correct.
- 2 Q. Okay. I'm sorry. 10 plus 14.
- A. The rule is to provide the -- we provide the earliest date when we front load it. That's my answer.
- 6 Q. Okay. Now, back to the Pitzer exhibits.
- 7 A. Okay.

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- Q. I'd like you to refer to Exhibit E. They
 are lettered in the upper right-hand corner.
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Could you state for the record what is 12 this document?
- 13 A. It is a copy of a final notice.
- Q. All right. And that final notice has

 customer -- well, first of all, let me ask you, is

 this a document that would be produced by Duke? And

 when I say "produced" I mean created by Duke. Is
- 19 A. Yes.

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this a Duke document?

- Q. All right. And is this a document that
 Duke would have created in the ordinary course of
 business?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. All right. And do you see a date at the top of that document?

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500 It looks like there are two lines of 1 0. 2 information that are redacted. Do you see that? 3 Α. Yes, I do. 4 Ο. Okay. Below that it says "Middletown, Ohio" --5 6 Α. Yes. -- "45042-2274." Do you see that? 7 Q. 8 Yes, I do. Α. 9 Ο. All right. And to the right of that, it says "for service at occupant or" and there's some 10 redactions. Do you see that? 11 12 Α. I do. 13 0. Okay. And below that it says "Apartment 4," and it gives an address. 14 15 Α. Yes. 16 Q. Or not an address, but a city, state, and 17 zip. 18 Yes. Α. 19 Middletown, Ohio, right? So does this 0. 20 look to you like a disconnection notice that was 2.1 created for a Duke account in February of 2011?

Right. All right. And, Mr. Carmosino, I

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Duke. Would you have any reason to disagree with

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- A. No.
- Q. All right. Thank you. I would like you to refer to your testimony, page 10, please, line 6.
 - A. Yes.
- Q. All right. That testimony says that Duke Energy would mail a final disconnection notice to the customer at the service address on the account and to any third parties that the customers placed on the account. Do you see that?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. So if a customer or someone on their behalf advised Duke that the customer wanted someone else to receive notices, then that additional person would receive notices as well; is that correct?
 - A. If the customer of record added a third party to their account, that customer would receive the notices, yes.
 - Q. But it doesn't say that in your testimony, does it? It simply says to the customer at the service address on the account and to any third parties that the customer placed on the account; is that correct?
- 24 A. That's what it says.
- 25 Q. All right. And, in fact, that's

502 consistent with OAC 06(A)(3)(a); isn't that correct? 1 2 I don't know. Say it again. It's 3 consistent with what? 03? 18-06(A)(3)(a). 4 0. 5 Α. Yes. 6 MR. LANE: I have nothing further, your 7 Honor. EXAMINER PARROT: Any public redirect? 8 9 MR. McMAHON: Yes. May we take a moment, 10 your Honor? 11 EXAMINER PARROT: You may. 12 (Discussion off the record.) 13 EXAMINER PARROT: Let's go back on the record. Any redirect? 14 15 MR. McMAHON: Yes, thank you, your Honor. 16 17 REDIRECT EXAMINATION 18 By Mr. McMahon: 19 Mr. Carmosino, could you take a look at 20 MAC-4 attached to your direct testimony. 2.1 Α. Yes. 22 Can you explain to the Attorney Examiner what information would be reflected in that document 23 24 on the version that was sent to the Easterlings?

It would have had their account number,

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their name, a date, and the information that's here.

- Q. Okay. And then when you look at Pitzer Exhibit E --
 - A. Pitzer exhibit what?
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- 6 A. Yes.
- Q. Can you explain to the Attorney Examiner
 why we have a copy of that document here with us
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- 10 A. I would believe it was a quality check
 11 that somebody might have requested.
 - Q. And what do you mean by that?
 - A. That means they want to check the dates and make sure the form was accurate, that everything was lined up.
- Q. And does the company keep copies of the final disconnection notice on every one that is actually sent to a customer?
- 19 A. No.
- Q. Do you recall some questioning by Mr. Lane regarding the application of Section 18-06(A)(3) that is marked as, I'm sorry, OCC Exhibit R?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And giving notifications to a third party.

 Do you recall that line of questioning and your

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- A. Yes.
- Q. Are you aware of any evidence in this case that a third party -- a third party or guarantor was added to the account in Estill Easterling's name?
 - A. No.
- Q. And would you have seen any indication in the CMS records that you reviewed if that were the case?
- A. I think it would have been an additional mailing address added and I did not see that.
- Q. Now, are you familiar with the audit procedures used by the Commission when it comes to an audit of a public utility's practices and policies?
 - A. Some knowledge, yes.
- Q. And are you aware whether the Commission or staff has ever reviewed or audited the company's practice, the structure by which they use a disconnection notice in the bill and a bill insert disconnection notice?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And could you explain?
- A. There's been several gas customer service audits over the last several years where we provide our disconnection data which would have been a bill

and the pink disconnect, and we provided it in an audit, and to my knowledge they have never come back with anything that it wasn't accurate or correct.

- Q. And are you familiar with a similar process with respect to the actual content of bill messages?
- A. Yes. They would have -- the bill message for a disconnection would have been with the bill and, again, we would have provided that and there was no discrepancy.
- Q. Ms. Bojko asked you a question with respect to the, I believe it was with respect to the application of 18-06 and the scenario that was given to you was the date of disconnection on the 14-day notice was October 31 and the disconnection date was November 15, I believe. And I believe your answer was that it -- it was not required for the company to send the final disconnection notice. Do you recall that?
- 20 A. Yes.

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- Q. But under that scenario, would the company, in fact, send a final disconnection notice?
- A. Yes. We would have sent one, but I don't believe it's required.
- Q. And why would the company have done that?

- A. Well, again, the company starts delivering final notices well before we're required to. And so knowing when we start them, I know that they would have gotten one. It's to err on the side of the customer to make sure the customer has all the information they need to get assistance if they don't pay their bills.
- Q. I just asked you a couple of questions about the audit process and any recommendations. Are you familiar with the time frame that the company follows to implement any recommendations from a particular audit?
- A. I don't think there is any necessarily time frames that -- if we were given information about an auditor's finding, we would implement that as long, as we agreed, as soon as we were informed of that.
- Q. And might that happen even before an order was entered by the Commission?
- A. I believe so, yes.
- MR. McMAHON: That's all I have, your
- 22 Honor.

- 23 EXAMINER PARROT: Thank you.
- Ms. Bojko.
- MS. BOJKO: Yes, your Honor. Thank you.

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2 RECROSS-EXAMINATION

3 By Ms. Bojko:

- 4 Q. Let's talk about your MAC-4,
- 5 Mr. Carmosino. You have not seen a copy or the
- 6 actual alleged notice that was provided to the
- 7 | Easterling account with the Easterling's information
- 8 on it; is that correct?
- 9 A. That is correct.
- 10 Q. So it's fair to assume to say that you
- 11 | don't have or the company doesn't have a copy of
- 12 | that; is that correct?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 O. And you are aware of the record-retention
- policies stated in 4901:1-9, is that correct, -06?
- 16 A. I know that there is a requirement, yes.
- 17 Q. And you would assume, sir, that the
- 18 | company would follow the record-retention policies?
- 19 A. I believe that there is record in CMS that
- 20 a final notice was created and that's available.
- 21 Q. I asked you, sir, if you believe the
- 22 | company would follow the record-retention policies
- 23 set forth by the Commission's Rule 4901:1-9-06?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And, sir, is it your understanding that

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there is an appendix attached to 4901:1-9-06 that sets forth a variety of records and what their retention policy is?
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- A. I don't have one in front of me, but I am aware, yes.
- Q. And, sir, you would be -- are you aware, sir, that there is a record-retention policy of all reports or statements or documents, papers, pertaining to any incidents that result in personal injuries?
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Relevance.

 Outside the scope.
- 13 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.

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- A. Yeah. I know that there's rules. I don't have them memorized. I would have to look at them.

 I don't have them in front of me, but I am aware there are rules.
- Q. And would you agree, sir, that there was an incident that resulted in personal injury with regard to the Easterling account in --
- MR. McMAHON: Objection. Relevance.
- 22 Q. -- in November of 2011?
- 23 EXAMINER PARROT: Overruled.
- THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the question?
- MS. BOJKO: Could I have it reread,

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MR. McMAHON: Further, objection, your Honor. It calls for a legal conclusion as to what's defined as an "incident" and how it relates to the company's practice.

EXAMINER PARROT: Ms. Bojko, I assume you are not asking for any sort of legal opinions from this witness.

MS. BOJKO: No, your Honor. He has testified today about the retention policies, so I am asking him about the retention policies.

EXAMINER PARROT: All right. With that, overruled.

- A. I'm aware there was something. I am not sure -- I mean, based upon -- I don't -- I don't really know.
- Q. I'm sorry, you don't know that this whole case is about the death of two individuals resulting from an electric service disconnection?

MR. McMAHON: Objection to that mischaracterization of his testimony and the issues before the Commission here. It's also argumentative.

EXAMINER PARROT: I am not sure you were finished anyway, Mr. Carmosino.

THE WITNESS: I mean, I am not even sure
when --

EXAMINER PARROT: Setting Ms. Bojko's question aside, you can finish what you were saying.

THE WITNESS: I don't know when they were deceased. I don't know what caused it. I don't know anything like that, so I can't really answer her questions with regards to this.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) Okay. You are the -- you filed expert testimony in this case on behalf of Duke regarding the complaint case; is that correct?
 - A. With regards to the disconnection, yes.
- Q. And you're aware that the complaint actually alleges that Duke's improper disconnection of electric service led to the death of two individuals; is that correct?

MR. McMAHON: Objection, your Honor. It's now argumentative. The issues before this -- the Bench here are about disconnection procedures. As to what happened to the decedents is for another day and another forum.

EXAMINER PARROT: I think this question is fair game. Overruled.

THE WITNESS: Repeat.

MS. BOJKO: May I have it read, please,

511 1 your Honor? 2 (Record read.) 3 Α. I believe that was the allegation. You just mentioned some audit findings 4 0. 5 with your counsel; is that right? Do you recall 6 t.hat.? 7 Α. Yes. 8 Q. And I thought you were unfamiliar with the 9 audits, so I want to ask you --10 He asked audit questions in general. I don't think he was specific to any audit. 11 12 Okay. Well, you said that you remember 0. 13 several audits and the auditor findings and that they 14 were -- seemed to be consistent with your practice or 15 policy, did you not? 16 Α. Oh, yes. 17 Okay. If we --Q. 18 I wasn't referring to this one. I was Α. 19 referring to a gas customer service audit and that I 20 took part in. 2.1 Ο. Okay. Let's turn to page III-23 of 22 this -- of the audit report that's in front of you that's -- was filed in 08-1229-GA-COI. 23 24 Α. Okav.

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EXAMINER PARROT: Hang on. Section III, page 23. You said "Section 23," so I am wanting to make sure I can follow along here.

MS. BOJKO: I'm sorry.

EXAMINER PARROT: Section III, page 23?

MS. BOJKO: Yes, your Honor. Thank you.

- Q. (By Ms. Bojko) And the audit report, the auditor is NorthStar; is that your understanding?

 MR. McMAHON: Objection. The witness has already testified he is not familiar with this particular report.
- A. I'm not.
- Q. Okay. The audit summarizes Duke's practices and it says that "In general for an Ohio customer with good credit, at 30-days past due a late payment charge would be applied and if the past due balance is greater than \$50, a late payment reminder is printed on the next bill." And "No reminder is provided if the balance is less than \$50." And if it's "60-days past due, the customer will receive a 14-day disconnect notice on their bill. If no payment is received and no payment arrangements are made during the 14-day period, (at day 74), a 10-day disconnect notice is generated. Duke applies the

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1 10-day notice in both the winter and non-winter.
2 Residential customers become eligible for
3 disconnection at day 84 and commercial customers
4 become eligible at day 81." Did I read that
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Q. So in this scenario the auditor reviewed your practices and policies and decided that they were reasonable with regard to no payment arrangement made during the 14-day period, which is at day 74, and then that's when you generate a 10-day disconnect notice; is that correct?

MR. McMAHON: Objection.

A. I have no idea when this was written.

MR. McMAHON: Hold on, Mr. Carmosino.

Vague, ambiguous, lack of foundation, and relevance.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, he made some pretty bold, broad statements in his counsel's redirect about audit -- audits, auditor findings and how they all agree with Duke's practice of 24 days. Well, this is an auditor that clearly does not believe that Duke has a 24-day disconnect policy.

MR. McMAHON: Your Honor, my questions on redirect did not in any way reference anything about 24 days.

EXAMINER PARROT: I am going to sustain the objection. I think it's outside the scope of the redirect and the exhibit's already in the record and you can make any use of it you like in your brief.

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- Q. I guess in responding to your counsel's question, you did not go back to each of the audit reports that you had in your mind and see if the interpretation of your disconnect policies are in line with their interpretation of your disconnect policies; is that correct?
- MS. BOJKO: Could I have it read? (Record read.)

Say that one more time.

- A. That is correct. I didn't go back and look at any audits.
- Q. In the audits that you are referring to in response to your counsel's question, what kind of audits were those, sir?
 - A. They were the gas customer service audits.
- Q. And, sir, to your knowledge were those produced to the parties in this proceeding?
- A. To my knowledge, no.
- Q. Sir, do you know whether the party -- the
 Consumers' Counsel requested audits to be provided in

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2	A. I don't know.
3	MS. BOJKO: I have nothing further, your
4	Honor, thank you, on public.
5	EXAMINER PARROT: Mr. Lane.
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7	RECROSS-EXAMINATION
8	By Mr. Lane:
9	Q. Mr. Carmosino, Mr. McMahon asked you about
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11	notifications in the CMS. I'll remind you, you
12	testified before that you did not look at all the CMS
13	records relating to this account; isn't that correct?
14	A. Yes.
15	MR. LANE: No further questions.
16	EXAMINER PARROT: All right. Let's go off
17	the record just for a second.
18	(Discussion off the record.)
19	EXAMINER PARROT: Let's go back on the
20	record. At this point we are going to enter
21	confidential session again.
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                 MR. McMAHON: Yes, your Honor.
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      Mr. Carmosino. You're excused.
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                 MS. BOJKO: Thank you, your Honor. I
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would like to move the admission of Exhibits O through V.

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EXAMINER PARROT: I think with respect to, tell me if you disagree, O through S are Ohio

Administrative Code provisions. I don't think it's necessary to admit those as exhibits. They stand on their own as does the Commission's winter reconnect order which was OCC Exhibit 2. I don't think it's necessary. I'm sorry, T.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I guess I agree wholeheartedly with regard to the rule provisions.

With regard to the winter reconnect order, there were references to that order throughout the hearing and there was references in my cross to Exhibit T. I guess I fear if it's not in the record, the cross might not make sense.

EXAMINER PARROT: I think that's why we go through the exercise of marking it and identifying what it is and so forth. I agree it's fine to mark it for purposes of ease of reference during the hearing, but I don't think it's necessary to admit any of those as exhibits.

MS. BOJKO: That's fine, your Honor. So then I will revise me motion to U and V.

EXAMINER PARROT: U and V. All right.

MS. BOJKO: And then also I would renew my motion for -- OCC H was already admitted. OCC Exhibit M is outstanding still.

EXAMINER PARROT: All right. Any objections?

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MR. McMAHON: One second, your Honor. Sorry. OCC M. It's in here. I'm sorry. You already gave it to me.

Yes, your Honor, if memory serves, OCC Exhibit M, Ms. Bojko tried to use this with Mr. Danzinger and there was no foundation as to him, and I don't believe the second page, second side of that page was even referenced. She never came back and asked anyone else about that document. I thought Ms. Bojko said she might talk to Mr. Carmosino.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, it's a Duke record and it was produced by Duke. I think that it helps clarify the record with regard to certain dates and it more clearly identifies gas and electric dates pertaining to both of those. So I think it's relevant and I think it speaks to many of the issues that we have discussed throughout the last two days.

EXAMINER PARROT: You had objections with respect to U or V, Mr. McMahon?

MR. McMAHON: Not with respect to V.

And then U, I don't believe a lot of U is relevant, but we didn't redact, per your Honor's directive. So, other than that, no other objection.

EXAMINER PARROT: All right. We will go ahead and admit OCC Exhibits U and V.

(EXHIBITS ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE.)

MR. LANE: Your Honor, I can probably help you out with respect to ours if that's where you are.

EXAMINER PARROT: I'm sorry. I was still looking at M to see. It's been a while since I have looked at it. I was looking at it again.

I think I will go ahead and admit also OCC Exhibit M and allow the Commission to decide whether or not it should be given weight in this

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MR. McMAHON: Just one quick question, your Honor.

EXAMINER PARROT: Yes.

MR. McMAHON: I believe even with respect to Mr. Danzinger, there was only questions about the first page of Exhibit M. No witness offered any testimony about the second page.

MS. BOJKO: Your Honor, I would just note that it was because it was objected to with regard to

Mr. Danzinger, but I still think that my
discussion -- it's a Duke business record and that it
defines the account and what was provided on the
account during the period in question.

MR. McMAHON: Actually, the second page has a lot of events way outside the period in question.

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MS. BOJKO: We actually discussed two of the events in one witness.

EXAMINER PARROT: I think I'm going to agree with you on that, Mr. McMahon, so if we want to get a copy of just the first page that was referenced which is the one that's labeled Duke Energy 4 at the bottom, is that right, correct?

MR. McMAHON: Yes, your Honor.

EXAMINER PARROT: All right. Do you have that? I am guessing not, so.

MR. McMAHON: We wrote on ours. Although, somebody has -- that was attached to other people's, the third -- the second page you had that was a duplicate.

EXAMINER PARROT: The duplicate page that I've removed from the --

MR. McMAHON: This will be Exhibit M. Do you know what I am talking about?

MS. BOJKO: Yes, I do.

EXAMINER PARROT: That will work, but I am not sure about the report because I think I took her duplicate page and I think I've shredded it at this point, so.

MS. BOJKO: I actually remember crinkling mine up in a ball and throwing it away.

MR. McMAHON: We need this, a clear page of this.

MS. SPILLER: I probably have one. It will take me a moment.

12 EXAMINER PARROT: All right. We will work on finding that.

MS. BOJKO: All my copies, your Honor, are duplicate.

MR. McMAHON: We got it, your Honor.

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MR. McMAHON: May I approach?

20 EXAMINER PARROT: You may.

Okay. Exhibit M is admitted only with respect to the page that we did discuss at some -- some level of detail today. That's Duke exhibit -- that's labeled as Duke Energy page No. 4 at the bottom right corner.

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                 EXAMINER PARROT: And, Mr. Lane, I think
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                 EXAMINER PARROT: Okay.
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      G, and H, I just gave those to the court reporter, so
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      I am going to withdraw those.
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                 MR. McMAHON: So to just make sure I am
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questions. I mean, there are questions in the record regarding these documents.

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MR. LANE: The reason I parsed the exhibit the way I did, those were the only pages I asked questions about. I had intended to ask Mr. Carmosino questions about it, but Ms. Bojko did such an extensive cross-examination that was not necessary.

EXAMINER PARROT: So is the company's preference the entire?

MR. McMAHON: I think the entire thing should come in.

MR. LANE: We have no objection to that.

EXAMINER PARROT: Well, with that, we will admit Pitzer I in its entirety.

(EXHIBIT ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE.)

EXAMINER PARROT: All right. Let me go back and you also moved for Pitzer -- admission of Pitzer Exhibit E?

MR. LANE: Correct.

EXAMINER PARROT: Objections with respect to that one now that we have heard further testimony on it?

MR. McMAHON: Yes, your Honor. That's the form final disconnection notice that was sent to a different customer from a different time frame. It

has no bearing on this case. It's not relevant to the facts and issues before the Bench. And there already is a form notice that several represent -- representatives testified to would have been sent to the Easterlings relating to this particular account.

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MR. LANE: And obviously, your Honor, we are seeking to admit it because it demonstrates that a notice with actual customer information from 2011 can be produced. And, therefore, we believe it's extremely relevant.

EXAMINER PARROT: And I think

Mr. Carmosino actually addressed it in response to questions from you, Mr. McMahon. So I am going to admit it. And again, it will be a question for the Commission to decide its proper weight.

(EXHIBIT ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE.)

EXAMINER PARROT: And then I think as a final housekeeping matter here, Duke Exhibit E is another one that we had -- that I had -- I should say I deferred a ruling on. But if I'm not mistaken, I think it's attached to testimony that's already been admitted, so.

MR. McMAHON: Yes. It's attached to Mr. Carmosino's direct testimony.

EXAMINER PARROT: That's the same, right?

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MR. McMAHON: Yes, your Honor.
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EXAMINER PARROT: I am trying to look through and make sure.

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EXAMINER PARROT: MAC-4.

MR. McMAHON: MAC-4, that's correct, your Honor.

EXAMINER PARROT: I will go ahead and admit Duke Exhibit E as well. It may be helpful to have a reference to it specifically. So we will admit that.

(EXHIBIT ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE.)

EXAMINER PARROT: Any other exhibits that I have missed? I think that's all of them. Okay. At the conclusion of the pre -- let me ask, any further witnesses from anyone today in this case? Last chance.

All right. The parties had agreed at the conclusion of our prehearing conference on January 14 to file simultaneous briefs which will be due on February 11, 2016. The company had also agreed to expedite the filing of the transcripts. We'll have two volumes, Volume I and II, to expedite the filing of those to facilitate a quick turnaround on

briefing, so I will just state that on the record for today.

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MS. BOJKO: You said February 11?

EXAMINER PARROT: February 11.

MS. SPILLER: Your Honor, for purposes of the transcripts, and we have spoken to the reporters about the deadline of tomorrow, assuming it will just be the public and then the confidential portions.

EXAMINER PARROT: Yeah. I think that's what we -- I think we talked about the possibility it may fall, depending on what time, and we are finishing rather later than I expected anyway this evening.

MS. BOJKO: I didn't hear your question, I'm sorry.

MS. SPILLER: To expedite the filing of the transcripts and give us the time to meet the February 11 deadline, we will have a public version and then a confidential version.

MS. BOJKO: Okay.

EXAMINER PARROT: Yes. Anything else?

MS. SPILLER: No, your Honor.

EXAMINER PARROT: All right. Thank you

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