

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Joint Petition of )  
The Ohio Power Company and Buckeye ) Case No. 16-282-EL-PEB  
Rural Electric Cooperative Requesting )  
Revision to Territorial Boundary Map. )

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) The Ohio Power Company (OP) and Buckeye Rural Electric Cooperative (BREC) are electric suppliers as defined in R.C. 4933.81. By Entries issued in Case No. 78-1311-EL-ORD, the Commission certified the territories of OP and BREC.
- (2) Pursuant to R.C. 4933.83(E), two or more electric suppliers may jointly petition the Commission to reallocate their service territories and electric load centers. In their petition, the electric suppliers shall designate which portion of their territories and electric load centers will be served by each electric supplier.
- (3) On February 2, 2016, OP and BREC jointly petitioned the Commission to include overlap "G" by OP in BREC service territory in Athens County, Lee Township, Ohio. Specifically, they request the following relocation:

On Quadrangle map T-22, include overlap area "G" served by OP in BREC territory and physically addressed as 2625 Bailey Road, Albany, Ohio 45710-9445.
- (4) In support of their request, OP and BREC explain that a service request for a new home located at 2625 Bailey Road, Albany, Ohio is located approximately 2000 feet from existing BREC facilities. OP has existing facilities approximately 400 feet from the new home address. The new customer has requested OP to provide service and it appears it is in the interest of all parties to request this overlap change.

- (5) R.C. 4933.83(E), provides, in pertinent part:

Notwithstanding the effectuation of certified territories established by or pursuant to R.C. 4933.81 to 4933.90, and the exclusive right of electric suppliers to serve within such territory, and notwithstanding any other provisions of such sections establishing rights of electric suppliers to furnish electric service, any two or more electric suppliers may jointly petition the commission for the reallocation of their own territories and electric load centers among them and designating which portions of such territories and electric load centers are to be served by each of the electric suppliers.

- (6) No objections have been filed to the joint petition for reallocation described in Finding (3).
- (7) The Commission finds that granting the requested relief will promote the purposes of R.C. 4933.81 to 4933.90, and will further promote the provision of adequate service to all territories and electric load centers affected by the relocation as required by R.C. 4933.83(E). Accordingly, the Commission finds that the joint petition is reasonable and should be approved.
- (8) The Commission, therefore, directs that the territorial boundaries of OP and BREC be appropriately modified as delineated in Finding (3) and the maps of the certified territories be amended accordingly.

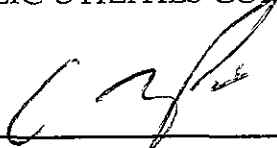
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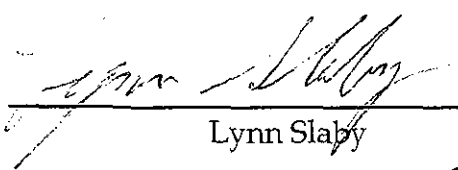
ORDERED, That the joint petition filed by OP and BREC to include overlap "G" in their territory boundaries be granted. It is, further,

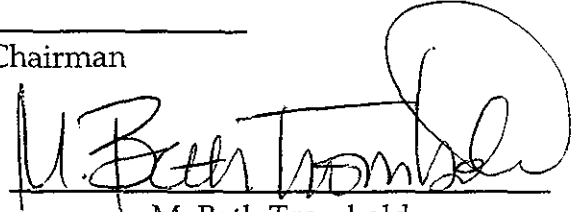
ORDERED, That the change on quadrangle map T-22, described in Finding (3), be approved to show the boundary line change. It is, further,

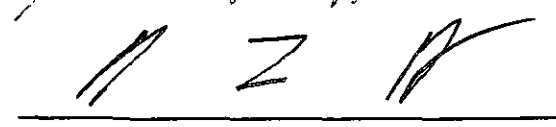
ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon each party of record.

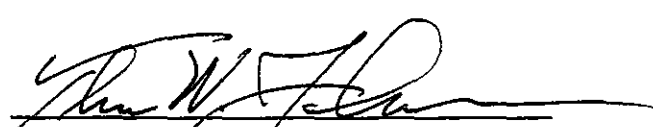
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

  
Andre T. Porter, Chairman

  
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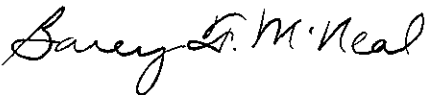
  
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