

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Ohio)	
Power Company for an Increase in Electric)	Case No. 20-585-EL-AIR
Distribution Rates.)	
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In the Matter of the Application of Ohio)	Case No. 20-586-EL-ATA
Power Company for Tariff Approval.)	
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In the Matter of the Application of Ohio)	Case No. 20-587-EL-AAM
Power Company for Approval to Change)	
Accounting Methods.)	
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**MOTION TO INTERVENE OF
THE OHIO MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION ENERGY GROUP**

Pursuant to R.C. 4903.221 and Ohio Adm. Code 4901-1-11, the Ohio Manufacturers' Association Energy Group (OMAEG) respectfully moves to intervene in this matter with the full powers and rights granted to intervening parties. OMAEG has a real and substantial interest that may be adversely affected by this proceeding and that interest cannot be adequately represented by any existing parties. Because OMAEG satisfies the standard for intervention set forth in the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's (Commission) rules and by statute, the motion should be granted. A memorandum in support is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

On April 9, 2020, Ohio Power Company (AEP Ohio or the Company) filed a notice of intent to increase its electric distribution rates.¹ AEP Ohio stated that its Application to increase rates pursuant to R.C. 4909.18 is forthcoming on or around May, 29 2020.² In addition, the Company proposed a date certain of December 31, 2019 and a test period of the twelve-month period beginning December 1, 2019,³ which the Commission subsequently approved.⁴

OMAEG has a real and substantial interest that may be adversely affected by this proceeding and that interest cannot be adequately represented by any existing parties. Ohio Adm. Code 4901-1-11 permits intervention by a party who has a real and substantial interest in the proceeding and who is so situated that the disposition of the proceeding may impair or impede its ability to protect that interest and whose interest is not adequately represented by an existing party. Likewise, R.C. 4903.221 authorizes intervention where a party: may be adversely

¹ *In the Matter of the Application of Ohio Power Company for an Increase in Electric Distribution Rates*, Case Nos. 20-585-EL-AIR, et. al, Application at 1 (April 9, 2020).

² Id.

³ Id.

⁴ Entry at ¶ 13 (May 6, 2020).

affected by the proceeding; will contribute to a full development and equitable resolution of factual issues; and will not unduly prolong or delay the proceedings.

OMAEG is a non-profit entity that strives to improve business conditions in Ohio and drive down the cost of doing business for Ohio manufacturers. OMAEG members and their representatives work directly with elected officials, regulatory agencies, the judiciary, and the media to provide education and information to energy consumers, regulatory boards and suppliers of energy; advance energy policies to promote an adequate, reliable, and efficient supply of energy at reasonable prices; and advocate in critical cases before the Commission. OMAEG members purchase electric services from AEP Ohio. Moreover, OMAEG has participated in prior proceedings before the Commission involving rates charged by AEP Ohio.⁵

OMAEG has a direct, real, and substantial interest in the issues raised in this proceeding and is so situated that the disposition of the proceeding may, as a practical matter, impair or impede its ability to protect that interest. OMAEG is regularly and actively involved in Commission proceedings and, as in previous proceedings, OMAEG's unique knowledge and perspective will contribute to the full development and equitable resolution of the factual issues in this proceeding. OMAEG's interest will not be adequately represented by other parties to the proceeding and its timely intervention will not unduly delay or prolong the proceeding.

Because OMAEG satisfies the criteria set forth in R.C. 4903.221 and Ohio Adm. Code 4901-1-11, it is authorized to intervene with the full powers and rights granted by the

⁵ See, e.g., *In the Matter of the Application of Ohio Power Company for Authority to Establish a Standard Service Offer Pursuant to R.C. 4928.143, in the Form of an Electric Security Plan*, Case Nos. 16-1852-EL-SSO, et al., Opinion and Order (April 25, 2018) and *In the Matter of the Application Seeking Approval of Ohio Power Company's Proposal to Enter into an Affiliate Power Purchase Agreement for Inclusion in the Power Purchase Agreement Rider*, et al., Case Nos. 14-1693-EL-RDR, et al. Opinion and Order (March 31, 2016). Also see *In the Matter of the Application of Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company, Individually and, if Their Proposed Merger is Approved, as a Merged Company (collectively, AEP Ohio) for an Increase in Electric Distribution Rates*, et al., Case Nos. 11-351-ELAIR, et al., Entry (November 1, 2011).

Commission to intervening parties. OMAEG respectfully requests that the Commission grant this motion to intervene and that OMAEG be made a full party of record.

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