

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT PETITION
OF HANCOCK-WOOD ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE AND THE TOLEDO EDISON
COMPANY TO REVISE THEIR CERTIFIED
TERRITORIES.

CASE NO. 21-767-EL-PEB

FINDING AND ORDER

Entered in the Journal on September 8, 2021

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} In this Finding and Order, the Commission grants the joint petition of Hancock-Wood Electric Cooperative and The Toledo Edison Company to reallocate their electric certified territories in Freedom Township, Wood County, Ohio.

II. DISCUSSION

{¶ 2} Hancock-Wood Electric Cooperative (Hancock) and The Toledo Edison Company (Toledo Edison) are electric suppliers as defined in R.C. 4933.81 with certified territories established by the Commission in Case No. 78-1311-EL-ORD.

{¶ 3} Pursuant to R.C. 4933.83(E), two or more electric suppliers may jointly petition the Commission to reallocate their certified 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.

{¶ 4} On July 7, 2021, Hancock and Toledo Edison jointly petitioned the Commission to reallocate their certified territories to serve all of current parcel number D14-512-310000022000 and the western portion of current parcel number D14-512-320000003000, both located on Caskie Road, Freedom Township, Wood County, Ohio. According to Hancock and Toledo Edison, the reallocation will accommodate the customers' new service request, while providing the service at the lowest cost to the customers. The petitioners note there is no existing electric service in the reallocation zone.

{¶ 5} On July 27, 2021, Staff filed its review of the petition, along with a map of the

proposed boundary change. Staff states that it reviewed the petition and that the petitioners and all affected customers agree with the proposed reallocation. Based upon its review, Staff recommends approval of the proposed reallocation of territories.

{¶ 6} No objections were filed to the joint petition for reallocation.

{¶ 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 reallocation, 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 certified territories of Hancock and Toledo Edison be appropriately modified as delineated in the joint petition, and the maps of the certified territories be amended accordingly.

III. ORDER

{¶ 9} It is, therefore,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That the request of Hancock and Toledo Edison to reallocate their certified territories be granted. It is, further,

{¶ 11} ORDERED, That the change on quadrangle map D-11, described in the joint petition and Staff Recommendation, be approved. It is, further,

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

COMMISSIONERS:

Approving:

Jenifer French, Chair

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