

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Complaint of)
Judith E. Hanthorn,)
Complainant,)) Case No. 06-910-EL-CSS
v.)
)
Ohio Power Company,)
Respondent.)
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The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On July 17, 2006, Judith E. Hanthorn filed a complaint against Ohio Power Company (Ohio Power). In the complaint, the Complainant alleged that Ohio Power failed to properly repair equipment damaged in the ice storm on January 5, 2005, resulting in damage to her household appliances.
- (2) On August 7, 2006, Ohio Power filed its answer, in which it generally denied the allegations of the complaint.
- (3) By entry dated January 22, 2007, the attorney examiner scheduled a prehearing conference in this case. However, Ohio Power has requested that the prehearing conference be rescheduled due to a scheduling conflict.
- (4) Accordingly, the prehearing conference should be rescheduled for March 15, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th floor, Hearing Room 11-A, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.
- (5) The purpose of the prehearing conference is to explore the parties' willingness to negotiate a resolution of this complaint in lieu of an evidentiary hearing. An attorney examiner from the Commission's legal department will facilitate the settlement process; however, nothing prohibits any party from initiating settlement negotiations prior to the scheduled conference. The

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parties should bring to the conference all documents relevant to this matter.

(6) In the event that a settlement is not reached at the conference, the attorney examiner will conduct a discussion of procedural issues, including potential hearing dates, at the conclusion of the conference.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That a prehearing conference be scheduled in accordance with finding (4). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

By: Gregory A. Price Attorney Examiner

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Secretary