BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Complaint of Judith E. Hanthorn,

Complainant,

v.

Case No. 06-910-EL-CSS

Ohio Power Company,

Respondent.

ENTRY

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 for March 15, 2007. However, the Complainant did not attend or otherwise participate in the prehearing conference.
- (4) Accordingly, the prehearing conference should be rescheduled for October 18, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th floor, Hearing Room 11-B, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793. If the Complainant is unable to attend the prehearing conference, she should contact the attorney examiner as soon as possible to make alternative arrangements.
- (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

This is to certify that the images appearing are an accurate and complete reproduction of a case file document delivered in the regular course of basiness. Technician Any Date Processed 9/4/07 Commission's legal department will facilitate the settlement process; however, nothing prohibits any party from initiating settlement negotiations prior to the scheduled conference. The 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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