BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for an Increase in Gas Rates.)))	Case No. 07-589-GA-AIR
In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for Approval of an Alternative Rate Plan for its Gas Distribution Service.)	Case No. 07-590-GA-ALT
In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for Approval to Change Accounting Methods.)	Case No. 07-591-GA-AAM

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., (Duke) is an electric light company as defined in Section 4905.03(A)(4), Revised Code, and a public utility as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code. As such, Duke is subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission in accordance with Sections 4905.04 and 4905.05, Revised Code.
- (2) On July 18, 2007, Duke filed applications for an increase in gas distribution rates, for approval of an alternative rate plan, and for approval to change accounting methods.
- (3) The Commission has caused an investigation to be made of the facts set forth in the rate increase application by the company, the exhibits attached thereto, and the matters connected with the application. A written report of the staff's investigation was filed on December 20, 2007.
- (4) On December 24, 2007, the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) filed a motion for an extension of time to file testimony and a request for expedited ruling. In its motion, OCC requested that the due date for intervenor testimony be extended from January 22, 2008, to January 29, 2008. OCC certified that it had contacted all the parties to this case to inquire if they objected to

the issuance of a ruling on an expedited basis and that no party which had responded had objected to an expedited ruling.

(5) The attorney examiner finds that the motion should be granted. Accordingly, all intervenor testimony will be due in this proceeding on January 29, 2008. Further, the attorney examiner finds that Duke should be granted the same extension of time, to January 29, 2008, for the filing of its expert testimony.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the motion for an extension of time to file testimony filed by OCC be granted. It is, further,

ORDERD, That expert testimony be filed in this proceeding in accordance with Finding (5). 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