

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of Protocols for the Measurement and Verification of Energy Efficiency and Peak Demand Reduction Measures.

Case No. 09-512-GE-UNC

<u>ENTRY</u>

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) Ohio Power Company, Columbus Southern Power Company, Duke Energy of Ohio, Inc., the Dayton Power and Light Company, the Toledo Edison Company, Ohio Edison Company, and the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (collectively, electric utilities) are public utilities, as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, are subject to the jurisdiction and general supervision of the Commission, in accordance with Sections 4905.04, 4905.05, and 4905.06, Revised Code.
- (2) Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc., the East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Dominion East Ohio, Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc., and Duke Energy of Ohio, Inc. (collectively, gas utilities) are public utilities, as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, are subject to the jurisdiction and general supervision of the Commission, in accordance with Sections 4905.04, 4905.05, and 4905.06, Revised Code.
- (3) On June 24, 2009, the Commission issued an entry, establishing a procedure for the development of protocols for the evaluation, measurement, and verification of energy efficiency and peak demand reduction measures to be embodied in a Technical Reference Manual (TRM). In that entry, the Commission indicated that it would issue a request for proposal (RFP) for engineering consulting services to assist the Commission with the evaluation and initial determination of values and protocols for the TRM being developed in this proceeding. The entry also noted that the cost of engineering consulting services will be shared by the electric and gas utilities.

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- (4) On July 8, 2009, the Commission issued RFP No. EE-09-TRM-1 in order to obtain qualified engineering consulting services for the purposes described in the RFP. Potential bidders were directed to submit electronic proposals to the staff of the Commission (Staff) by August 3, 2009, and hard copies by August 4, 2009. Bidders were directed to demonstrate that they would be able to perform the required services by showing a clear understanding of the tasks to be completed, the experience and qualifications of the personnel who will perform the work, and the anticipated breakdown of costs and timing.
- (5) On September 30, 2009, the Commission selected Vermont Energy Investment Corporation (VEIC) to proceed with Phases 1 and 2. The Commission also selected VEIC to perform Phase 3, subject to its submission and the Commission's approval of a bid for Phase 3. Subsequently, on February 3, 2010, the Commission issued an entry directing that the scope of work delineated in the RFP, as well as the associated budget, be adjusted.
- (6) Pursuant to the February 3, 2010 entry, VEIC is reviewing the information submitted by the electric and gas utilities,¹ and is drafting an initial set of recommendations on the form and content of the TRM. VEIC wishes to gather input and recommendations from interested stakeholders on the form and content of the TRM. Accordingly, the attorney examiner believes that a workshop should be held in order for interested parties to provide input to VEIC. Therefore, a workshop should be scheduled for March 16, 2010, at 1:00 p.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Hearing Room 11-B, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That this matter be scheduled for a workshop on March 16, 2010, at 1:00 p.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Hearing Room 11-B, Columbus, Ohio 43215. It is, further,

¹ On October 15, 2009, and November 13, 2009, respectively, the electric utilities and gas utilities filed proposed predetermined values and protocols. The electric utilities submitted their proposed predetermined values and protocols in the form of a proposed TRM.

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

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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