BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Complaint of Helen)
Ford and Donald R. Ford,	<u>)</u>
Complainant,)
v.) Case No. 09-902-EL-CSS
)
Ohio Edison Company,)
Respondent.)
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The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) By entry dated November 13, 2009, this matter was scheduled for a settlement conference on December 10, 2009. Thereafter, at the request of the complainants, the settlement conference was rescheduled twice, first on January 8, 2010, and then on March 11, 2010.
- (2) On March 11, 2010, the settlement conference was convened. Ohio Edison Company was present at the conference. However, the complainants, Helen Ford and Donald R. Ford, did not appear for the proceeding.
- (3) On March 16, 2010, Mr. Ford contacted the attorney examiner regarding the complaint. Mr. Ford stated that he was delayed in his job as a truck driver, and was unable to arrive at the Commission's offices in time for the settlement conference. Mr. Ford offered no explanation as to why his wife, the other complainant in this case, did not appear. Further, while Mr. Ford indicated that he is considering a settlement in this matter, he gave dates in May on which he will be available for a rescheduled conference.
- (4) Under the circumstances, the examiner finds that the settlement conference should be rescheduled for a fourth time. However, Mr. and Mrs. Ford are advised that, absent a settlement of the complaint, failure to attend a scheduled settlement conference may result in a recommendation that the Commission dismiss

the case for lack of prosecution. Mr. and Mrs. Ford are also advised that, unless extraordinary circumstances can be shown, another request for a continuance of the settlement conference will not be granted.

(5) Accordingly, the settlement conference in this case should be rescheduled for May 24, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., conference room 1246, in the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the settlement conference in this case be rescheduled in accordance with Finding (5). It is, further,

ORDERED That this case proceed under the terms set forth in Finding (4). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon each party of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

By:

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Attorney Examiner

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Secretary