

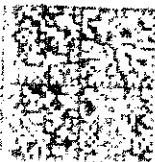
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BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of )  
Columbus Southern Power Company and )  
Ohio Power Company for Authority to ) Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO  
Establish a Standard Service Offer Pursuant ) Case No. 11-348-EL-SSO  
to Section 4928.143, Revised Code, in the )  
Form of an Electric Security Plan. )

In the Matter of the Application of )  
Columbus Southern Power Company and ) Case No. 11-349-EL-AAM  
Ohio Power Company for Approval of ) Case No. 11-350-EL-AAM  
Certain Accounting Authority. )

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) Columbus Southern Power Company (CSP) and Ohio Power Company (OP) (jointly, AEP-Ohio) are public utilities as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On January 27, 2011, AEP-Ohio filed an application for a standard service offer (SSO) pursuant to Section 4928.141, Revised Code. The application is for an electric security plan (ESP) in accordance with Section 4928.143, Revised Code.
- (3) By entry issued February 9, 2011, the attorney examiner adopted a procedural schedule for these cases. The entry requires, *inter alia*, that testimony on behalf of intervenors and Staff be filed by June 13, 2011, and June 27, 2011, respectively, and that discovery requests, other than notices of deposition, be served by June 16, 2011. Additionally, a procedural conference was scheduled for July 6, 2011, and the evidentiary hearing set to commence on July 13, 2011.
- (4) By entry issued March 23, 2011, the attorney examiner granted AEP-Ohio's motion to continue the evidentiary hearing to July 20, 2011.
- (5) On June 8, 2011, Staff filed a motion for continuance and request for expedited treatment. Specifically, Staff requests

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on AEP-Ohio's proposed POLR charges in the above-captioned proceedings, AEP-Ohio requests that it be permitted to file supplemental testimony regarding those proposed charges in the present cases by July 6, 2011. Additionally, AEP-Ohio proposes that intervenor and Staff testimony be due on July 15, 2011, and July 25, 2011, respectively. AEP-Ohio also asks that discovery requests from intervenors that pertain to AEP-Ohio's supplemental POLR testimony, and AEP-Ohio's discovery requests in response to intervenor testimony, be served by July 13, 2011, and July 22, 2011, respectively. Finally, AEP-Ohio requests that the evidentiary hearing commence on August 8, 2011.

With respect to Staff's motion for continuance, AEP-Ohio states that it does not oppose Staff's request for an extension of the deadline for the filing of Staff testimony. AEP-Ohio notes, however, that Staff's motion addresses neither AEP-Ohio's opportunity to file supplemental POLR testimony, nor the timing of discovery requests. Additionally, AEP-Ohio opposes Staff's request for an extension of the filing deadline for intervenor testimony, as it is unwarranted and would unduly delay the long established procedural schedule in these cases. AEP-Ohio notes that no intervenor has demonstrated a need for an extension of the deadline or even requested an extension, and that most of the issues in these cases are not impacted by the remand of 08-917. AEP-Ohio further notes that it filed its application in these cases early in an effort to assure a timely decision and that it opposes any request that would jeopardize such a decision.

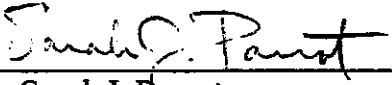
In regard to discovery, AEP-Ohio asserts that if the deadlines for the filing of intervenor and Staff testimony are substantially extended, AEP-Ohio should be permitted to serve discovery requests after the other parties file their testimony, as the current procedural schedule allows. Additionally, AEP-Ohio states that intervenors' discovery requests served after the current deadline of June 16, 2011, should be limited to requests related to AEP-Ohio's supplemental POLR testimony. AEP-Ohio asserts that it has already responded to nearly 1,400 discovery requests, not including subparts, and that it would be unfair and arbitrary to extend the discovery process at this point.

ORDERED, That the motion for leave to file supplemental POLR testimony and for related modifications to the procedural schedule and request for expedited ruling, which was filed by AEP-Ohio on June 8, 2011, be granted, in part, and denied, in part. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the procedural schedule for these proceedings be modified as set forth in finding (7). It is, further,

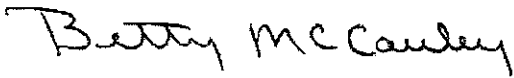
ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all parties of record.

~~THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO~~

  
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