

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)
Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for an)
Adjustment to Rider AMRP Rates to) Case No. 10-2788-GA-RDR
Recover Costs Incurred in 2010.)

In the Matter of the Application of)
Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Tariff) Case No. 10-2789-GA-ATA
Approval.)

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) By opinion and order issued May 30, 2002, in *In the Matter of the Application of The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company for an Increase in Rates*, Case No. 01-1228-GA-AIR, *et al.*, the Commission approved a stipulation, which, *inter alia*, included a provision establishing the Accelerated Main Replacement Program (AMRP) rider (Rider AMRP) of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke).¹ The purpose of Rider AMRP was to recover the expenditures associated with Duke's plan to replace all 12-inch and smaller cast iron and bare steel gas mains in its distribution system. Rider AMRP was to be adjusted annually to account for any over- or under-recovery and Duke was to file applications annually, supporting adjustments to the Rider AMRP rates.
- (2) By opinion and order issued May 4, 2011, in the present cases, the Commission approved a stipulation that established Duke's current AMRP rates, thereby allowing Duke to recover costs incurred during 2010. Among other provisions, the stipulation provides that Duke will augment the AMRP to include replacement of certain larger than 12-inch diameter cast iron and bare steel pipe. The stipulation further provides that Duke will file with the Commission an exhibit that will memorialize the methodology by which Duke will calculate maintenance savings associated with the replacement of this larger pipe to serve as an offset to the Rider AMRP rates. Pursuant to the stipulation, Duke, Staff, and the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) agreed to use best efforts to complete and file the exhibit

¹ Duke was formerly known as The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company.

no later than 60 days from the date of the Commission's opinion and order in these proceedings.

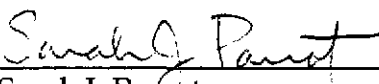
- (3) On July 1, 2011, Duke, Staff, and OCC filed a joint motion requesting an extension of the deadline for filing the exhibit memorializing the savings methodology for replacement of larger than 12-inch diameter pipe. In support of the motion, the parties state that, despite their best efforts, they have not yet agreed upon a savings methodology to offer as a late-filed exhibit, which was due to be submitted on July 5, 2011, and that additional time is needed to allow for productive discussions. Specifically, the parties request an additional 60 days within which to provide the exhibit.
- (4) The attorney examiner finds that the parties' request for an extension is reasonable and should be granted. Accordingly, the deadline for filing the exhibit memorializing the savings methodology for replacement of larger than 12-inch diameter pipe should be extended to September 6, 2011.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the parties' request for an extension of time to file the late-filed exhibit be granted in accordance with finding (4). It is, further,

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

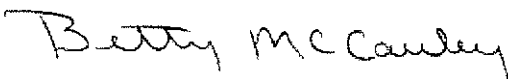
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