BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Implementation of)
Section 749.10 of Amended Substitute) Case No. 11-5384-AU-UNC
House Bill 153.)

ENTRY

The Commission finds:

(1) Section 749.10 of Amended Substitute House Bill 153 states:

The Public Utilities Commission shall, on or before December 31, 2011, determine appropriate methods under which to ensure that the reduction in public utility assessments paid under section 4911.18 of the Revised Code for the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel for fiscal year 2012 and fiscal year 2013 is distributed to the benefit of Ohio customers of those public utilities. The Commission shall implement its distribution methodology in a timely manner.

- (2) The Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) shall determine for each telephone, electric light, gas, natural gas, pipeline, water works, heating, cooling, and sewage disposal system company any decrease in the amount of the OCC assessment from FY 2011 to 2012. OCC shall file with the Commission in this docket by October 28, 2011, the names of any public utilities experiencing a decrease and the amount of the decrease for each company. Any public utility experiencing a decrease will be required to distribute the amount in a manner that benefits customers of the public utility.
- (3) Commission staff should propose a distribution methodology for the decrease in the amount of the OCC assessment by November 8, 2011.
- (4) Any interested person may file, by November 18, 2011, comments concerning Commission staff's proposed distribution methodology for the funds identified in the October 28, 2011, filing.

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It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That OCC shall file with the Commission in this docket by October 28, 2011, the names of any public utilities experiencing a decrease in the amount of the OCC assessment from FY 2011 to FY 2012 and the amount of the decrease. It is, further,

ORDERED, That Commission staff propose a distribution methodology by November 8, 2011, in accordance with finding 3. It is, further,

ORDERED, That any interested person may file, by November 18, 2011, comments in accordance with finding 4. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon OCC and all telephone, electric light, gas, natural gas, pipeline, water works, heating, cooling, and sewage disposal system companies.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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