

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)
Columbus Southern Power Company for)
Approval of its Program Portfolio Plan and) Case No. 09-1089-EL-POR
Request for Expedited Consideration.)

In the Matter of the Application of)
Ohio Power Company for Approval of its)
Program Portfolio Plan and Request for) Case No. 09-1090-EL-POR
Expedited Consideration.)

ENTRY

The Commission finds:

- (1) Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company (jointly, AEP-Ohio or the Companies) are public utilities as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On November 12, 2009, AEP-Ohio filed an application for approval of the Companies' energy efficiency and peak demand reduction program (EE/PDR) portfolio plans pursuant to Rule 4901:1-39-04, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.). The 2009 EE/PDR application included programs and an associated rider mechanism to be effective through December 31, 2011. Along with the EE/PDR application, AEP-Ohio also filed a Stipulation and Recommendation (2009 Stipulation) addressing all of the issues raised in the 2009 EE/PDR application.
- (3) By order issued May 13, 2010, as clarified on January 27, 2011, the Commission issued its decision approving the 2009 Stipulation, with two modifications. The Companies' tariff sheets implementing the EE/PDR rates were approved by the Commission on May 26, 2010.
- (4) On November 18, 2011, AEP-Ohio filed a motion and a request for expedited treatment to continue the current EE/PDR programs and rider rates, subject to refund, until the Commission establishes and implements the new EE/PDR portfolio programs and rider rates for January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. AEP-Ohio advocates the approval of this

motion to ensure the continuation of the EE/PDR programs without delay and to prevent adverse rate impacts as a result of discontinuing the rider and then reinstituting the EE/PDR rider mechanism. The Companies state that none of the intervenors to the 2009 EE/PDR cases opposes the motion to continue the current rider, subject to refund, or the request for expedited consideration of the motion.

- (5) AEP-Ohio filed its 2012-2014 EE/PDR rider application, in Case Nos. 11-5568-EL-POR and 11-5569-EL-POR, on November 29, 2011, along with a Stipulation (2012 Stipulation) addressing all of the issues raised in the new EE/PDR application.
- (6) Pursuant to Rule 4901:1-39-04(D), O.A.C., unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, any person has 60 days after the filing of the electric utility's portfolio plan to file objections. Accordingly, objections to the new EE/PDR application/2012 Stipulation are due by January 28, 2012.
- (7) The Commission recognizes that the 2009 EE/PDR programs and rider rates will expire on December 31, 2011. We strongly encourage energy efficiency programs because effective energy efficiency programs reduce energy consumption and the need to construct additional generation facilities providing a public benefit to all the electric utility's customers. To ensure the continuation of the Companies' EE/PDR programs, without interruption, and to avoid the rate volatility associated with terminating the current EE/PDR rider and then restarting the EE/PDR rider for the 2012-2014 EE/PDR programs, the Commission will allow the current EE/PDR rider rates to continue, subject to refund. Accordingly, AEP-Ohio's approved 2009 EE/PDR programs and the associated EE/PDR rider shall continue, without interruption, until the Commission specifically orders otherwise.

It is, therefore,

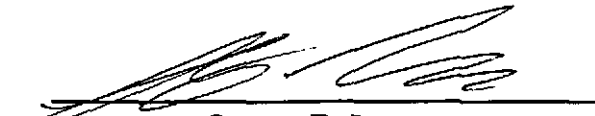
ORDERED, That AEP-Ohio's motion to continue the current EE/PDR programs and rider rates, subject to refund, until the Commission specifically orders otherwise, is granted as set forth in finding (7). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record in the 2009 EE/PDR cases.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO


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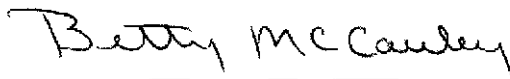

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