

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 and Ohio Power Company (jointly, AEP-Ohio)¹ are public utilities as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On March 30, 2012, AEP-Ohio filed an application for a standard service offer (SSO) pursuant to Section 4928.141, Revised Code. The application is for a modified electric security plan (ESP) in accordance with Section 4928.143, Revised Code. By entry issued April 2, 2012, as revised April 11, 2012, the procedural schedule for this ESP case was established.
- (3) In order to provide customers of AEP-Ohio a reasonable opportunity to provide public testimony in this proceeding, local public hearings will be conducted on the following dates as set forth below in the notice for publication.

Further, AEP-Ohio should publish notice of the local public hearings one time in a newspaper of general circulation in each county in its certified territory. The notice should not appear in

¹ By entry issued on March 7, 2012, the Commission approved and confirmed the merger of Columbus Southern Power Company into Ohio Power Company, effective December 31, 2011. *In the Matter of the Application of Ohio Power Company and Columbus Southern Power Company for Authority to Merge and Related Approvals*, Case No. 10-2376-EL-UNC.

the legal notices section of the newspaper. The notice should read as follows:

NOTICE

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has scheduled local hearings in Case Nos. 11-346-EL-SSO and 11-348-EL-SSO, *In the Matter of the Application of Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company for Authority to Establish a Standard Service Offer Pursuant to Section 4928.143, Revised Code, in the Form of an Electric Security Plan*, and Case Nos. 11-349-EL-AAM and 11-350-EL-AAM, *In the Matter of the Application of Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company for Approval of Certain Accounting Authority*. In the application, the Ohio Power Company seeks Commission approval of an electric security plan filed pursuant to Am. Sub. Senate Bill 221, which was signed into law on May 1, 2008. The bill requires electric utilities to establish a standard service offer and, as part of that process, to file an application for approval of an electric security plan. As proposed in the application, the electric security plan would commence June 1, 2012 and continue through May 31, 2015. According to the application, for all customer classes, customers in the Columbus Southern Power rate zone will experience, on average, an increase of two percent annually and customers in the Ohio Power rate zone will experience, on average, an increase of four percent annually. The application proposes the recovery of other costs through riders during the term of the electric security plan although the costs and subsequent rate impacts are unknown at this time. In addition, the application contains provisions addressing distribution service, economic development, alternative energy resource requirements, and energy efficiency requirements.

The local hearings are scheduled for the purpose of providing an opportunity for interested members of the public to testify in this proceeding. The local hearings will be held as follows:

- (a) Thursday, April 26, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., Oakwood Middle School, 2300 Schneider Road, N.E., Canton, Ohio 44721.

- (b) Monday, April 30, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., at Wolfe Park Shelter House, 105 Park Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43209.
- (c) Tuesday, May 1, 2012, 6:00 p.m., at Ohio University-Chillicothe, Bennett Hall Auditorium, 101 University Drive, Chillicothe, Ohio 45601.
- (d) Thursday, May 3, 2012, 6:00 p.m., at Lima Municipal Center, City Council Chambers, 50 Town Square, 1st floor, Lima, Ohio 45801.

The evidentiary hearing will commence on May 14, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, Hearing Room 11-A, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, viewing the Commission's web page at <http://www.puco.ohio.gov>, or contacting the Commission's hotline at 1-800-686-7826.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That local public hearings in these proceedings be held as set forth in finding (3). It is, further,

ORDERED, That AEP-Ohio publish notice of the local public hearings as set forth in finding (3). It is, further,

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

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

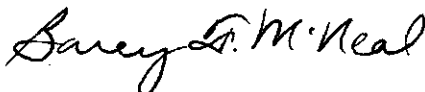


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