

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Establishment of)
Electronic Data Exchange Standards and) Case No. 12-1770-EL-EDI
Uniform Business Practices for the Electric)
Utility Industry.)

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) On July 6, 1999, Amended Substitute Senate Bill Number 3 was enacted to create a competitive market for electric generation service in Ohio starting in 2001. Pursuant to this legislation, the Commission directed Ohio's investor-owned electric utilities and interested stakeholders to participate in a taskforce for the development of uniform business practices and electronic data interchange (EDI) standards to allow customers to choose generation service from alternative suppliers in Ohio. *In re the Commission's Promulgation of Rules for Electric Transition Plans and Consumer Education Plan, Pursuant to Chapter 4928, Revised Code, Case No. 99-1141-EL-COI, November 30, 1999, Finding and Order, at 26-27.* On July 19, 2000, the Commission adopted EDI standards developed by the Operational Support Planning for Ohio (OSPO) and Data Exchange Work Groups, comprised of representatives from each Ohio electric distribution utility, potential marketers, and generation suppliers. *In re the Establishment of Electronic Data Exchange Standards and Uniform Business Practices for the Electric Utility Industry, Case No. 00-813-EL-EDI, July 19, 2000, Finding and Order, at 17-18.*
- (2) The OSPO Taskforce and Data Exchange groups were active until 2002 and 2004, respectively, and then reconstituted in 2010 as the Ohio EDI Working Group (OEWG) to update the Ohio EDI documentation and resolve operational issues.
- (3) OEWG has conducted monthly meetings since March 2010 to develop the following EDI Implementation Guideline transaction sets which were filed in this docket on June 6, 2012:
 - 248 Write-off
 - 810 LDC Invoice Bill Ready
 - 810 LDC Invoice Rate Ready

- 814 Change Request and Response
- 814 Drop Request and Response
- 814 Enrollment Request and Response
- 814 Reinstatement Request and Response
- 820 Payment/Remittance
- 824 Application Advice
- 867 Usage

On July 26, 2012, a resolution was filed on behalf of all the OEWG participants requesting that the Commission adopt the above-referenced guidelines, as well as the OEWG change control process that is open to all market participants and accessible on the OEWG page posted on the Commission's website under Electric Industry Information.

- (4) The Commission applauds the efforts of all OEWG participants in developing EDI documentation to support uniform operational practices in Ohio and notes the consensus of the electric distribution utilities, as well as certified retail electric suppliers and marketers that these guidelines and change control process should be adopted for use in Ohio. Consequently, we will adopt the above-referenced EDI Implementation Guideline transaction sets and the OEWG change control process, and encourage the participation and cooperation of all stakeholders in OEWG's development of operational guidelines for transactions in the Ohio retail electric market.


It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the above-referenced EDI Implementation Guideline transaction sets and change control process be adopted for transactions in the Ohio retail electric market. It is, further,


ORDERED, That notice of this finding and order be served via the electric-energy and OEWG listserves, and upon all parties of record.

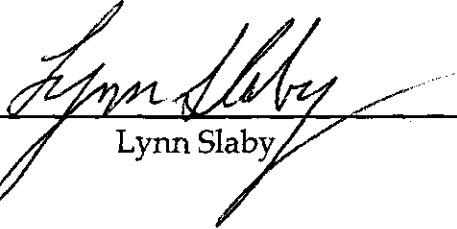
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