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> RE: In the Matter of the Application of The Dayton Power and Light

Company; PUCO Case No. 12-426-EL-SSO, et al. Resubmission of Reply Memorandum (Oct. 24, 2012)

Dear Ms. Hunter:

On November 6, 2012, The Dayton Power and Light Company ("DP&L") filed its Memorandum in Opposition to Joint Movants' Motion Seeking an Order Directing It to Comply with the Standard Filing Requirements for an Electric Security Plan and Memorandum in Support and Memorandum Contra Its Request for Waivers ("Memorandum in Opposition"). Though the Memorandum in Opposition was filed timely (Ohio Admin. Code § 4901-1-12(B)), DP&L encountered issues with the electronic filing and inadvertently filed materials that were not intended to be filed. DP&L thus asks that the filing be removed from the Commission's website and that DP&L be permitted to re-post the same Memorandum in Opposition to the Commission's Docketing Information System today, November 7, 2012. There are no differences between the Memorandum in Opposition filed yesterday and the Memorandum in Opposition that will be posted today. DP&L apologizes for the issue and appreciates your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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The Dayton Power and Light Company for

Approval of Its Electric Security Plan

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The Dayton Power and Light Company for

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In the Matter of the Application of The Dayton Power and Light Company to Establish Tariff Riders

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Case No. 12-428-EL-AAM

Case No. 12-429-EL-WVR

Case No. 12-672-EL-RDR

THE DAYTON POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY'S MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO JOINT MOVANTS' MOTION SEEKING AN ORDER DIRECTING THE DAYTON POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY TO COMPLY WITH THE STANDARD FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ELECTRIC SECURITY PLAN AND MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT AND MEMORANDUM CONTRA THE DAYTON POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY'S REQUESTS FOR WAIVERS

I. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Almost all of the information that Joint Movants¹ seek is either in the filing in this case, is not required by the standard filing requirements, or could have been sought in discovery. Joint Movants seek an order from the Commission compelling The Dayton Power and Light Company ("DP&L") to include in its ESP Application: (1) "the projected costs" of the Yankee

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¹ The Joint Movants filing this pleading are Industrial Energy Users-Ohio, Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy, The Kroger Company, the Ohio Energy Group, Honda of America Manufacturing, Inc., SolarVision, LLC, the OMA Energy Group, and the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (collectively, "Joint Movants").

Solar project; (2) a "quantification or estimation" of DP&L's proposed switching tracker; (3) "a description of the effect on large-scale governmental aggregation of any unavoidable generation charge proposed to be established in" DP&L's ESP Application; (4) "a section demonstrating that its current corporate separation plan is in compliance with section 4928.17 of the Revised Code, Chapter 4901:1-37 of the Administrative Code, and consistent with the policy of the state as delineated in divisions (A) to (N) of section 4928.02 of the Revised Code"; (5) "a complete quantification of the RR, specifically the cost of retail enhancements"; and (6) a quantification of DP&L's "pro forma financial projections and projected rate impacts" and pro forma financial projections "broken down on a generation/distribution/transmission basis." Joint Motion, pp. 1-3, 5-6. Joint Movants also request that the Commission "suspend the procedural schedule in this case until DP&L complies." Id. at p. 3.

As demonstrated below, the Commission should deny the Joint Motion and set a procedural schedule that would move this case forward. First, DP&L's request for waiver of any requirement that it file pro forma financial information or rate impacts associated with the. Yankee Solar Project should be granted for good cause shown under Ohio Admin. Code § 4901:1-35-02. In addition, DP&L will make a supplemental filing that will include capital costs for the Yankee facility. Second, DP&L intends to make a supplemental filing that will include illustrative financial projections of DP&L's proposed switching tracker. Third, DP&L has already disclosed in its ESP Application the information that Joint Movants seek with regard to items 3, 4 and 5 above. Last, Joint Movants fail to specify how DP&L allegedly "fails to properly quantify the pro-forma financial projections and projected rate impacts[.]" Further, the

² Joint Movants' Motion Seeking an Order Directing The Dayton Power and Light Company to Comply with the Standard Filing Requirements for an Electric Security Plan and Memorandum in Support and Memorandum Contra The Dayton Power and Light Company's Requests for Waivers ("Joint Motion").

Commission's standard filing requirements do not require DP&L to include in its ESP Application a breakdown of pro forma financial projections on a generation, distribution, and transmission basis.

II. PROJECTED COSTS OF THE YANKEE SOLAR PROJECT

DP&L's Application sought a waiver of any requirement that it file information related to costs associated with the Yankee Solar Project because DP&L does not seek to recover costs associated with that project in this case. ESP Application, ¶ 18. Additionally, the detailed information required to develop the revenue requirements for the project is not yet complete. Disclosure of any cost estimates is therefore premature. Moreover, DP&L was unable, due to time constraints associated with the filing of its ESP Application, to provide pro forma financial projections regarding revenue requirements associated with the Yankee Solar Project. DP&L intends to provide its cost support for the Yankee Solar Project in a later proceeding before the Commission, which is the reason the Company sought a waiver of this requirement. Finally, DP&L will soon file a supplement to its Application that will include the capital costs for the Yankee facility.

For these reasons, the Commission should grant DP&L's request for a waiver of the requirement that it file cost support associated with the Yankee Solar Project for good cause shown. Ohio Admin. Code § 4901:1-35-02 ("The commission may, upon an application or a motion filed by a party, waive any requirement of [Ohio Admin. Code § 4901:1 et seq.], other than a requirement mandated by statute, for good cause shown.").

III. "QUANTIFICATION OR ESTIMATION" OF SWITCHING TRACKER

Joint Movants could have simply sought this information in discovery, but for their own reasons made it the subject of a motion. In any event, the amounts that will be included in the switching tracker will depend on the amount of future switching; DP&L will soon make a supplemental filing that will estimate the amounts to be included in DP&L's proposed switching tracker based upon an assumed level of future switching.

IV. <u>EFFECT ON LARGE-SCALE GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATION</u>

Contrary to the Joint Movants' claim (p. 6), DP&L's ESP Application included information regarding the effect on large-scale governmental aggregation of any unavoidable generation charge. This information can be found in the Testimony of Dona R. Seger-Lawson at page 18, lines 4 to 13. The motion is thus moot as to that item.

V. <u>CORPORATE SEPARATION PLAN</u>

Joint Movants assert that:

"DP&L failed to provide 'a section demonstrating that its current corporate separation plan is in compliance with section 4928.17 of the Revised Code, Chapter 4901:1-37 of the Administrative Code, and consistent with the policy of the state as delineated in divisions (A) to (N) of section 4928.02 of the Revised Code.' Although DP&L witness Sobecki provides testimony regarding corporate separation, her testimony falls well short of compliance with the standard filing requirements."

Joint Movants' argument is flawed for two reasons. <u>First</u>, Joint Movants fail to specify how DP&L purportedly "falls well short of compliance with the standard filing

³ Joint Motion, p. 6.

requirements." Second, DP&L properly disclosed in its ESP Application the information that Joint Movants seek regarding DP&L's corporate separation plan. This information can be found in DP&L's Third Amended Corporate Separation Plan, which is located in Book III, Appendix A, at pages 1 to 30 of the ESP Application, which describes in detail how DP&L is in compliance with corporate separation rules. The motion is thus moot as to this item as well.

VI. QUANTIFICATION OF RECONCILIATION RIDER

Joint Movants also assert that DP&L did not provide "quantification" of the Reconciliation Rider, "specifically the cost of retail enhancements." Joint Movants fail to cite any statute or code provision that would require DP&L to disclose such information in its ESP Application. In any event, the information that Joint Movants seek regarding the Reconciliation Rider can be found in the Testimony of Dona R. Seger-Lawson at page 13, lines 4 to 6. Again, the motion is moot as to this item.

VII. PRO FORMA FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS

Joint Movants also contend that DP&L "fails to properly quantify the pro forma financial projections and projected rate impacts that are required by the standard filing requirements. Additionally, the pro forma financial projections are on a total company basis rather than being broken down on a generation/distribution/transmission basis."

⁴ Joint Motion, p. 6.

⁵ Joint Motion, p. 6.

⁶ Joint Motion, p. 6.

The Commission should reject Joint Movants' argument for lack of specificity as to how DP&L purportedly "fails to properly quantify the pro forma financial projections and projected rate impacts[.]" Id. In addition, Joint Movants fail to cite any statute or code provision that requires DP&L to break down pro forma financial projections in its ESP Application on a generation, distribution, and transmission basis. While such a requirement exists in the Commission's MRO rules, 7 no such requirement applies to DP&L's ESP Application.

VIII. <u>PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE</u>

As shown above, most of the Joint Movants' requests are baseless. If the Commission were to conclude that DP&L's ESP Application was deficient in some respect, then the deficiency can be addressed in discovery or in a supplemental filing by the Applicant.

However, there is no basis in Ohio Rev. Code § 4928.143 or the Commission's rules to support the Joint Movants' request that the Commission suspend a case in its entirety.

Indeed, as demonstrated above, most of the information that Joint Movants seek is already in DP&L's filing. Further, the Joint Movants do not identify any prejudice that they would suffer from a short delay in the filing of any additional information that the Commission would order DP&L to file. Further, DP&L would be substantially prejudiced if the Commission were to delay setting a schedule in this case. The Commission should thus set this case for a prompt hearing.

⁷ Ohio Admin. Code § 4901:1-35-03(B)(2)(b) (MRO applications shall include "[p]ro forma financial projections of the effect of the CBP plan's implementation, including implementation of division (D) of section 4928.142 of the Revised Code, upon generation, transmission, and distribution of the electric utility, for the duration of the CBP plan.").

IX. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

For the foregoing reasons, the Commission should deny the Joint Motion and allow this case to proceed.

Respectfully submitted,

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