

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Adoption of Electronic)
Data Interchange Standards and Uniform) Case No. 13-02-EL-EDI
Business Practices for the Electric Utility)
Industry in 2013.)

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, certified retail electric suppliers, marketers, EDI service providers, and other interested stakeholders. 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.
- (2) The Commission first adopted Ohio EDI Implementation Guideline transaction sets in Case No. 00-813-EL-EDI in its July 19, 2000, Finding and Order. The Commission approved revisions to the Implementation Guidelines in Case No. 12-1770-EL-EDI through its Finding and Order issued on August 1, 2012.
- (3) The OEWG conducts monthly teleconferences or meetings to develop and document EDI Implementation Guidelines for Ohio. OEWG has established a change control process that is

open to all market participants and accessible on the OEWG page of the Commission's website. The change control process maintains current redline versions of the Ohio EDI Implementation Guidelines on the OEWG page. The OEWG has incorporated all approved changes from 2012 into a new version of the EDI Implementation Guideline transaction sets which were filed in this docket on March 28, 2013:

- 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
- (4) On May 15, 2013, a resolution was filed on behalf of all the OEWG participants requesting that the Commission adopt the above-referenced revisions to the EDI guidelines.
- (5) 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 developed through the OEWG change control process, and encourage the participation and cooperation of all stakeholders in OEWG's refinement of operational guidelines for transactions in the Ohio retail electric market.

It is, therefore,

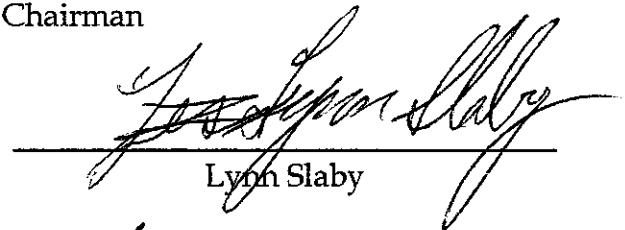
ORDERED, That the above-referenced EDI Implementation Guideline transaction sets and change control process be adopted for transactions in the Ohio retail electric market. It is, further,

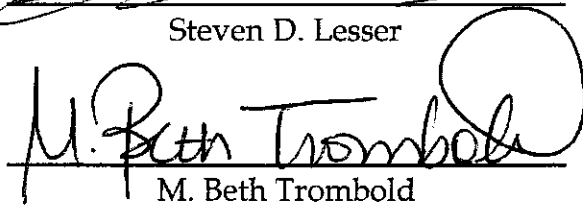
ORDERED, That notice of this finding and order be served via the electric-energy and OEWG listserves, and upon all parties of record.

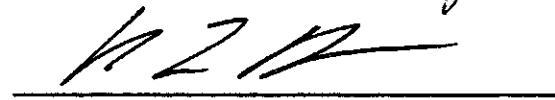
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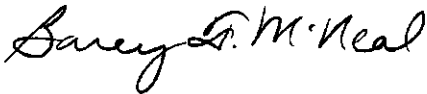

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