

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application)	
of Ohio Power Company to Update its)	Case No. 13-1406-EL-RDR
Transmission Cost Recovery Rider)	

**MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE OF THE HEARING DATE
AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT**

Pursuant to rules 4901-1-13 and 4901-1-27, Ohio Administrative Code (“O.A.C.”), Ohio Power Company (“AEP Ohio” or the “Company”) respectfully requests that the Commission grant a continuance of the hearing currently scheduled to take place in this proceeding on November 4, 2013, and, pursuant to rule 4901-1-12, O.A.C., grant AEP Ohio’s motion on an expedited basis. The reasons supporting this motion are set forth in the accompanying memorandum in support.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

Rule 4901-1-13(A), O.A.C., provides that continuances of public hearings may be granted upon motion of any party for good cause shown. Further, rules 4901-1-27(B)(6) and (B)(7), O.A.C., provide that the presiding hearing officer may grant continuances and take such other actions as are necessary to avoid unnecessary delay; prevent the presentation of unnecessary or cumulative evidence; prevent irrelevant cross-examination; and generally assure the hearing proceeds in an orderly and expeditious manner.

The parties to this proceeding have been engaged in productive settlement negotiations for several weeks, and those negotiations are being memorialized into a settlement agreement. Although the parties have reached an agreement in principle resolving all of the issues raised in this proceeding through the Company's Application, additional time is necessary to finalize the agreement. Granting the continuance will narrow (and most likely eliminate) the issues for hearing, prevent the presentation of unnecessary or cumulative evidence and irrelevant cross-examination, and will generally assure the hearing proceeds in an orderly and expeditious manner. If the continuance is granted, the Company proposes to file a stipulation and recommendation and testimony in support next week. If no stipulation and recommendation is filed next week, the parties can discuss rescheduling the hearing at that time.

Rule 4901-1-12(C), O.A.C., allows a party to request that the Commission consider a motion on an expedited basis. Accordingly, AEP Ohio respectfully requests

an expedited ruling on this motion. All parties are aware of this motion and provided AEP Ohio with permission to represent that they agree with the request.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served upon the below-named counsel via electronic mail, this 1st day of November, 2013.

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