

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the :  
Application of :  
Ohio Power Company to : Case No. 12-1945-EL-ESS  
Establish New :  
Reliability Standards. :

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PROCEEDINGS

before Ms. Greta See, Attorney Examiner, at the  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad  
Street, Room 11-C, Columbus, Ohio, called at 10 a.m.  
on Tuesday, March 11, 2014.

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1 Tuesday Morning Session,  
2 March 11, 2014.

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4 EXAMINER SEE: Let's go on the record.  
5 Scheduled before the Public Utilities Commission of  
6 Ohio is Case No. 12-1945-EL-ESS, being entitled in  
7 the Matter of the Application of Ohio Power Company  
8 to Establish New Reliability Standards.

9 My name is Greta See. I am the Attorney  
10 Examiner assigned to this case by the Commission. At  
11 this time I would like to take appearances of the  
12 parties.

13 On behalf of the company.

14 MR. SATTERWHITE: Thank you, your Honor.  
15 On behalf of Ohio Power Company, Matthew J.  
16 Satterwhite, 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

17 EXAMINER SEE: On behalf of the Office of  
18 Ohio Consumers' Counsel.

19 MR. SERIO: Thank you, your Honor. On  
20 behalf of the residential utility customers of Ohio  
21 Power Company, Bruce J. Weston, Consumers' Counsel,  
22 by Joseph P. Serio.

23 EXAMINER SEE: And on behalf of the staff  
24 of the Commission.

25 MR. McNAMEE: On behalf of the staff of

1 the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, I am Thomas  
2 W. McNamee, Assistant Attorney General. The address  
3 is 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio.

4 EXAMINER SEE: Mr. Satterwhite.

5 MR. SATTERWHITE: Thank you, your Honor.  
6 The parties were able to reach a joint stipulation  
7 and recommendation by working together in this case.  
8 That was filed on March 3 and on March 4 we filed the  
9 testimony of Gary Spitznogle. And so I would suggest  
10 moving forward we could call Mr. Spitznogle to the  
11 stand to sponsor the testimony and the stipulation.

12 EXAMINER SEE: Go ahead and call your  
13 witness.

14 MR. SATTERWHITE: The company would call  
15 Gary Spitznogle.

16 (Witness sworn.)

17 EXAMINER SEE: Mr. Satterwhite.

18 MR. SATTERWHITE: Thank you, your Honor.

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20 GARY O. SPITZNOGLE

21 being first duly sworn, as prescribed by law, was  
22 examined and testified as follows:

23 DIRECT EXAMINATION

24 By Mr. Satterwhite:

25 Q. Mr. Spitznogle, could you please state

1 your name and business address for the record.

2 A. Gary Spitznogle, 850 Tech Center Drive,  
3 Gahanna, Ohio 43230.

4 Q. And by whom are you employed and what  
5 capacity?

6 A. I'm employed by AEP Ohio as Vice  
7 President of Regulatory and Finance. Sorry.

8 Q. And did you have testimony filed in your  
9 name in this docket on March 4, 2014?

10 A. I did, yes.

11 Q. And do you have a document I've premarked  
12 in front of you Company Exhibit No. 1?

13 A. Yes.

14 MR. SATTERWHITE: Your Honor, I have also  
15 provided a copy of that and the stipulation to the  
16 court reporter as well.

17 Q. Can you please identify that document.

18 A. It is a Prefiled Testimony of Gary O.  
19 Spitznogle on Behalf of Ohio Power in Support of the  
20 Joint Stipulation and Recommendation, Case No.  
21 12-1945-EL-ESS.

22 Q. And was this prepared by you or under  
23 your direction?

24 A. Yes, it was.

25 Q. And do you have any corrections or

1 changes to this testimony today?

2 A. No, I do not.

3 Q. Okay. What is the purpose of this  
4 testimony?

5 A. It is to support the joint stipulation  
6 and recommendation.

7 Q. And do you adopt this testimony as your  
8 testimony for the record in this case today?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And you also mentioned the joint  
11 stipulation and recommendation. You have in front of  
12 you what I have previously marked as Joint Exhibit  
13 No. 1?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Would you please identify that document  
16 for the record.

17 A. It is the joint stipulation and  
18 recommendation for Case No. 12-1945-EL-ESS.

19 Q. And I believe it shows on the certificate  
20 of service on the last page that this was filed on  
21 March 4 -- March 3, 2014, correct?

22 A. That is correct.

23 Q. And is this the document that your  
24 testimony sponsors?

25 A. Yes, it is.

1 MR. SATTERWHITE: Your Honor, at this  
2 time I move for admission of Company Exhibit 1 and  
3 Joint Exhibit No. 1 and turn the witness over to the  
4 Bench to see if there are any questions.

5 EXAMINER SEE: Okay. Any  
6 cross-examination by the parties? Mr. Serio?

7 MR. SERIO: No, your Honor.

8 EXAMINER SEE: Mr. McNamee?

9 MR. McNAMEE: None, your Honor, and no  
10 objection to the motion.

11 EXAMINER SEE: I'm sorry. Repeat that,  
12 Mr. McNamee.

13 MR. McNAMEE: No objection to the motion.

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15 EXAMINATION

16 By Examiner See:

17 Q. Mr. Spitznogle, there are a couple of  
18 items that refer to dates in your testimony. If you  
19 would refer to page 3. If the Bench is correct on  
20 line 3 of page 3, you refer to it as being filed on  
21 March 3. The date you referred to, are those -- is  
22 that the item that was filed in the docket, in the  
23 Commission's docket?

24 A. Yes, that is correct.

25 Q. And on page 4, are you referring to the



1 application in this case that was filed by the  
2 company on June 29 as opposed to June 28?

3 A. I'm not sure -- I don't have the  
4 application here. I need to look to confirm that  
5 date.

6 Q. You'll accept it, subject to check --

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. -- if the Bench believes it was filed on  
9 June 29, correct?

10 A. That is correct.

11 EXAMINER SEE: Thank you. Okay. And if  
12 I recall correctly, there are no objections to the  
13 admission to Mr. Spitznogle's testimony. And are  
14 there any objections to the admission of the joint  
15 stipulation and recommendation marked as Joint  
16 Exhibit 1?

17 MR. SERIO: No, your Honor.

18 MR. McNAMEE: No.

19 EXAMINER SEE: The Bench notes included  
20 in the joint stipulation references to exhibits --  
21 items that have already been filed in the docket,  
22 that being the company's application to establish the  
23 new reliability standards, the initial comments filed  
24 by OCC, the initial comments filed by the staff, the  
25 reply comments filed by Ohio Power on various dates

1 in the docket, and those will be marked by the Bench  
2 as needed.

3 Is there anything further,  
4 Mr. Satterwhite?

5 MR. SATTERWHITE: No, thank you, your  
6 Honor.

7 EXAMINER SEE: With the admission of  
8 Company Exhibit 1 and Joint Exhibit 1, if there are  
9 no further matters to be addressed, then the hearing  
10 is adjourned.

11 (EXHIBITS ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE.)

12 (Thereupon, the hearing was concluded at  
13 10:08 a.m.)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is  
a true and correct transcript of the proceedings  
taken by me in this matter on Tuesday, March 11,  
2014, and carefully compared with my original  
stenographic notes.

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Karen Sue Gibson, Registered  
Merit Reporter.

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