

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of the)
Fuel Adjustment Clauses for Columbus) Case No. 11-5906-EL-FAC
Southern Power Company and Ohio)
Power Company and Related Matters.)

In the Matter of the Fuel Adjustment)
Clauses for Columbus Southern Power) Case No. 12-3133-EL-FAC
Company and Ohio Power Company.)

In the Matter of the Fuel Adjustment) Case No. 13-572-EL-FAC
Clauses for Ohio Power Company.)

In the Matter of the Fuel Adjustment) Case No. 13-1286-EL-FAC
Clauses for Ohio Power Company.)

In the Matter of the Fuel Adjustment) Case No. 13-1892-EL-FAC
Clauses for Ohio Power Company.)

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio (AEP Ohio or the Company) is a public utility as defined in R.C. 4905.02 and an electric utility as defined in R.C. 4928.01(A)(11), and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) In Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO, et al., the Commission modified and approved, pursuant to R.C. 4928.143, AEP Ohio's application for an electric security plan, including a fuel adjustment clause (FAC) mechanism under which the Company is intended to recover prudently incurred fuel and fuel-related costs. *In re Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company*, Case No. 11-346-EL-SSO, et al., Opinion and Order (Aug. 8, 2012) at 18. In addition, a new alternative energy rider was established to enable AEP Ohio to recover alternative energy costs, which were previously recovered through the FAC. Annual audits are to be

performed of AEP Ohio's fuel costs, fuel management practices, and alternative energy costs.

- (3) On December 4, 2013, in the above-captioned proceedings, the Commission selected Energy Ventures Analysis, Inc. (EVA) to perform the annual audit of AEP Ohio's fuel and alternative energy costs for the 2012, 2013, and 2014 audit periods.
- (4) On May 9, 2014, in Case No. 13-1892-EL-FAC, EVA filed its report regarding the management/performance and financial audits of AEP Ohio's FAC for 2012 and 2013.
- (5) By Entry issued in the above-captioned proceedings on May 21, 2014, the Commission selected Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP (Baker Tilly) to investigate AEP Ohio's alleged double recovery of certain capacity-related costs, and to recommend to the Commission a course of action based on the auditor's findings.
- (6) On October 6, 2014, Baker Tilly filed its audit report addressing AEP Ohio's recovery of certain capacity-related costs.
- (7) In order to assist the Commission in its review of the audit reports filed by EVA and Baker Tilly, the following procedural schedule should be established:
 - (a) Motions to intervene shall be filed by January 16, 2015.
 - (b) A prehearing conference shall take place on January 27, 2015, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Hearing Room C, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.
 - (c) Testimony on behalf of AEP Ohio, Staff, and intervenors shall be filed by February 6, 2015.
 - (d) An evidentiary hearing shall commence on February 23, 2015, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Hearing Room C, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the procedural schedule set forth in Finding (7) be adopted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

s/Greta See

By: Greta See
Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry that the procedural schedule set forth in Finding (7) be adopted; electronically filed by Debra Hight on behalf of Greta See, Attorney Examiner.