

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Ohio)	
Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric)	
Illuminating Company, and The Toledo)	Case No. 09-1820-EL-ATA
Edison Company for Approval of Ohio)	Case No. 09-1821-EL-GRD
Site Deployment of the Smart Grid)	Case No. 09-1822-EL-EEC
Modernization Initiative and Timely)	Case No. 09-1823-EL-AAM
Recovery of Associated Costs.)	

ENTRY ON REHEARING

The Commission finds:

- (1) Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Toledo Edison Company (collectively, FirstEnergy or the Companies) are public utilities as defined in R.C. 4905.02, and, as such, are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On November 18, 2009, FirstEnergy filed an application with the Commission in this proceeding for approval of its proposed Ohio Site Deployment, a three-year pilot program of the Companies' Smart Grid Modernization Initiative (Smart Grid Program). By Finding and Order issued on June 30, 2010, the Commission approved FirstEnergy's application for the Smart Grid Program with modifications, specifically Phase 1 of the Smart Grid Program, which was an initial test phase of 5,000 customers. The Commission provided that, after reviewing the results of Phase 1, the Commission would make a decision whether the Companies should proceed to Phase 2, or expansion of the initial test phase to 44,000 customers.
- (3) On October 19, 2012, the Companies filed a report on the Consumer Behavior Study of Phase 1 of the Smart Grid Program as well as a request for a directive from the Commission as to whether the Companies should proceed with Phase 2 of the Smart Grid Program.
- (4) On February 8, 2013, Staff filed a report (Staff Report) recommending that the Commission approve Phase 2 of the

Smart Grid Program for a second and third year. Additionally, Staff made multiple recommendations.

- (5) On February 21, 2013, the Companies filed a letter in response (Response Letter) to the Staff Report.
- (6) Thereafter, on April 18, 2013, FirstEnergy and Staff filed a joint recommendation (Joint Recommendation) reflecting several of the proposed modifications and clarifications contained in the Response Letter.
- (7) By Finding and Order issued May 15, 2013, the Commission adopted the Joint Recommendation. The Companies were instructed to proceed with Phase 2 of the Smart Grid Program and implement the recommendations as set forth in the Joint Recommendation and the Staff Report.
- (8) On December 22, 2014, FirstEnergy filed an application seeking authority for further cost recovery to complete studies related to the Ohio Site Deployment of the Smart Grid Program.
- (9) By Finding and Order issued May 28, 2015, the Commission granted FirstEnergy's application with certain modifications.
- (10) Pursuant to R.C. 4903.10, any party who has entered an appearance in a Commission proceeding may apply for rehearing with respect to any matters determined by the Commission within 30 days of the entry of the order upon the Commission's journal.
- (11) On June 29, 2015, Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) and FirstEnergy filed applications for rehearing regarding the Commission's May 28, 2015 Finding and Order. OCC and FirstEnergy subsequently filed memoranda contra the applications for rehearing.
- (12) The Commission finds that sufficient reason has been set forth by the parties in their applications for rehearing to warrant further consideration of the matters specified in the applications for rehearing. Accordingly, the applications for rehearing filed by the parties should be granted for further consideration of the matters specified in the applications for rehearing.

It is, therefore,

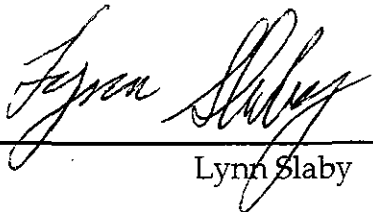
ORDERED, That the applications for rehearing filed by FirstEnergy and OCC be granted for further consideration of the matters specified in the applications for rehearing. It is, further,

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

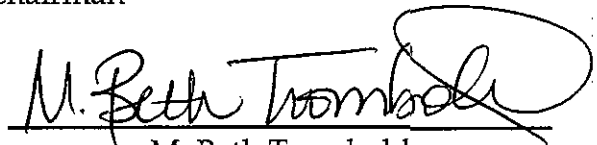
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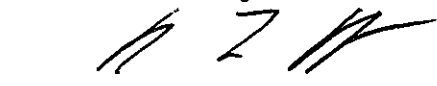
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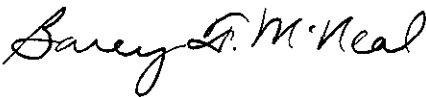


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