

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Duke)
Energy Ohio, Inc. to Adjust Rider DR-IM) Case No. 15-883-GE-RDR
and Rider AU for 2014 SmartGrid Costs.)

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On June 4, 2015, Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke) filed an application to adjust Rider Distribution Reliability - Infrastructure Modernization (Rider DR-IM) and Rider Advanced Utility (Rider AU) to allow for recovery of 2014 costs for SmartGrid deployment.
- (2) By Entry issued July 1, 2015, the attorney examiner, among other things, set September 4, 2015, as the deadline for the filing of motions to intervene.
- (3) On June 11, 2015, June 17, 2015, and June 25, 2015, Direct Energy Business, LLC and Direct Energy Services, LLC (jointly, Direct Energy), the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC), and Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy (OPAE), respectively, filed motions to intervene. In its motion, Direct Energy states that it is a certified competitive retail electric service (CRES) provider in Ohio and that that it currently provides service to retail customers in Duke's territory. In its motion, OCC states that it represents Duke's residential consumers and that the interests of these customers may be adversely affected by the outcome of this case. OPAE states, in its motion, that its membership includes a number of non-profit organizations with facilities receiving electric and gas service from Duke and that residential customers, including OPAE's low-income bill payment assistance and weatherization clients, will be affected by Duke's application. Direct Energy, OCC, and OPAE submit that they have real and substantial interests in this proceeding and that their participation in this matter will not unduly prolong or delay the proceeding.
- (4) No memoranda contra were filed in response to the motions to intervene filed by Direct Energy, OCC, and OPAE.

- (5) The attorney examiner finds that Direct Energy's, OCC's, and OP&E's motions to intervene are reasonable and should be granted.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the motions to intervene filed by Direct Energy, OCC, and OP&E be granted. It is, further,

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

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

/s/ Kerry K. Sheets

By: Kerry K. Sheets
Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry granting the motions to intervene filed by Direct Energy, OCC, and OPAE; electronically filed by Vesta R Miller on behalf of Kerry K. Sheets, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio