BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of The)	Case No. 15-1907-EL-AIS
Dayton Power and Light Company for)	
Authority to Issue Short-term Notes and)	
Other Evidences of Indebtedness.)	

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) The Dayton Power and Light Company (DP&L), an Ohio corporation is a public utility, as defined in R.C. 4905.02, and is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) R.C. 4905.401 permits public utilities that are electric light companies to "issue notes, or other evidences of indebtedness payable at periods of not more than twelve months[,]" when authorized by the Commission. Pursuant to the statute, Commission authorization is not required for a public utility electric light company to issue short-term notes and other evidences of indebtedness aggregating "not more than five per cent of the par value of the other stocks, bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness" of the company.
- (3) Pursuant to R.C. 4905.401, as of September 30, 2015, DP&L was permitted to have outstanding notes and other evidences of short-term indebtedness, issuable without prior authorization of the Commission, in the amount of approximately \$39 million. Additionally, in Case No. 14-1807-EL-AIS, the Commission authorized DP&L to have short-term debt outstanding aggregate principal amounts of not more than \$600 million at any one time through December 31, 2015. *In re The Dayton Power and Light Co.*, Case No. 14-1807-EL-AIS, Finding and Order (Dec. 10, 2014).
- (4) On November 13, 2015, DP&L filed an application and exhibits under the provisions of R.C. 4905.401(A), to renew the authority to issue notes, revolving loan agreement (RLA) loans, and other evidences of short-term indebtedness in an

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aggregate amount not to exceed \$600 million, inclusive of the statutorily exempted amount of short-term debt issuable by DP&L in accordance with R.C. 4905.401(A). The requested authority represents a renewal of DP&L's existing authority granted in Case No. 14-1807-EL-AIS.

- (5) DP&L proposes that the proceeds from the notes, loans, or other evidences of indebtedness would be used to repay long-term debt and for other corporate purposes pursuant to R.C. 4905.401.
- (6) On November 27, 2015, the Commission's Staff filed its review and recommendations regarding DP&L's application, providing that, upon Staff's review, Staff believes the application is reasonable and should be approved by the Commission.
- (7) Upon review of the application, the Commission finds that the amount of the short-term borrowings, and the terms thereof, appear to be reasonably required for DP&L to meet its present and prospective obligations to provide utility service. Accordingly, the Commission finds that DP&L's application should be approved.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That DP&L is authorized through December 31, 2016, to have short-term notes outstanding, including those issued pursuant to R.C. 4905.401(A), in aggregate principal amounts of not more than \$600 million at any one time, pursuant to the terms and conditions as described in the application, and in this Finding and Order. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the authorization granted by this Finding and Order shall not be construed as limiting the Commission's determination of the appropriateness of DP&L's future long-term security offerings issued wholly or in part for the purpose of retiring their outstanding short-term evidences of indebtedness. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Finding and Order be construed to imply any guaranty or obligation as to the unsecured notes and other evidences of indebtedness or the associated interest on the part of the state of Ohio. It is, further,

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ORDERED, That nothing in this Finding and Order be deemed to be binding upon the Commission in any future proceedings or investigation involving the justness or reasonableness of any rate, charge, rule, or regulation of DP&L. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Finding and Order be construed to imply any guaranty or obligation by the Commission to assure completion of any specific construction project of DP&L. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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