

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Regulation of the)
Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause Contained) Case No. 15-218-GA-GCR
Within the Rate Schedules of Duke Energy)
Ohio, Inc. and Related Matters.)

In the Matter of the Uncollectible Expense)
Rider of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. and Related) Case No. 15-318-GA-UEx
Matters.)

In the Matter of the Percentage of Income)
Payment Plan Rider of Duke Energy Ohio,) Case No. 15-418-GA-PIP
Inc.)

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) By Entries issued on February 25, 2015, the Commission, inter alia, initiated these cases to review the gas cost recovery rates, the purchased gas adjustment clause, and related matters within the rate schedules of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke or the Company). The Entries scheduled these matters for hearing on February 9, 2016; directed Duke to file any direct testimony at least 16 days prior to the hearing, or by January 22, 2016; and directed the Company to publish notice of the hearing between 15 and 30 days prior to the hearing date.
- (2) By Entry issued January 26, 2016, the attorney examiner granted a motion of Duke, the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, and Staff for an extension of the filing date for Duke's direct testimony, until January 29, 2016.
- (3) On January 29, 2016, Duke and Staff (jointly, Movants) filed a motion to continue the evidentiary portion of the hearing and the filing date for Duke's direct testimony. In support of the motion, Movants explain that they have submitted a stipulation and recommendation (stipulation) that resolves all of the issues between them. Movants state that the Company now wishes to submit testimony in support of the stipulation and requires additional time to prepare such testimony. In addition, Movants request an expedited ruling on this issue.

- (4) Upon consideration of Movants' motion, the attorney examiner finds that it is reasonable and should be granted.
- (5) Accordingly, the evidentiary hearing in these cases should be continued to March 30, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., in Hearing Room 11-C, 11th Floor, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793. Testimony in support of the stipulation should be filed by March 14, 2016. Testimony in opposition to the stipulation should be filed by March 21, 2016. Further, in order to preserve the continuity of the publicized hearing notice in these matters, the hearing will be convened briefly on the currently scheduled hearing date, February 9, 2016. Thereafter, as previously noted, the evidentiary portion of the hearing will be continued to March 30, 2016.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That Movants' motion for a continuance be granted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the evidentiary hearing be continued and testimony be filed in accordance with finding (5). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties 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 continuing the evidentiary hearing to March 30, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.; testimony in support of the stipulation be filed by March 14, 2016; testimony in opposition to the stipulation be filed by March 21, 2016; and the hearing will be convened briefly on the scheduled hearing date, February 9, 2016; electronically filed by Vesta R Miller on behalf of Kerry K. Sheets, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio