

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Duke )  
Energy Ohio, Inc. for Approval to Modify ) Case No. 15-50-GA-RDR  
Rider FBS, Rider EFBS, Rider FRAS, and )  
Rider GTS. )

ENTRY ON REHEARING

The Commission finds:

- (1) Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke or the Company) is a public utility as defined in R.C. 4905.02 and a natural gas company under R.C. 4905.03 and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On March 21, 2007, in Case No. 05-732-EL-MER, et al., the Commission approved a stipulation, which, inter alia, set the rate of Duke's firm balancing service rider (Rider FBS). *In re Cinergy Corp.*, Case No. 05-732-EL-MER, et al. (*Merger Case*), Entry (Mar. 21, 2007). Rider FBS is a mechanism that enables Duke to recover the estimated portion of storage costs associated with daily balancing from choice suppliers and aggregators, and the charges collected by the Company are then applied as a credit to the gas cost recovery mechanism. As a result of the stipulation in the *Merger Case*, Duke participated in a collaborative that resulted in the proposal of Duke's enhanced firm balancing service rider (Rider EFBS).
- (3) On January 15, 2015, in the above-captioned proceeding, Duke filed, pursuant to R.C. 4909.18, an application to adjust Rider FBS and Rider EFBS. Further, Duke proposed to modify the terms under which choice suppliers and aggregators receive either firm balancing service or enhanced firm balancing service. Duke also sought to modify certain terms under its full requirements aggregation service (FRAS) and gas trading service (GTS) tariffs to coincide with the changes requested for Rider FBS and Rider EFBS.

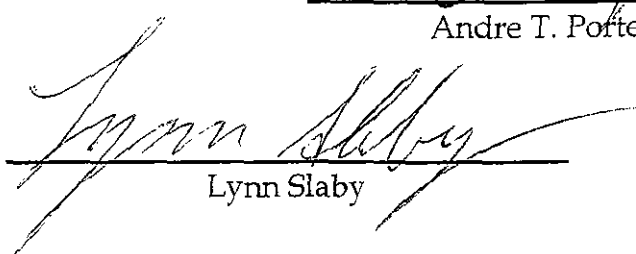
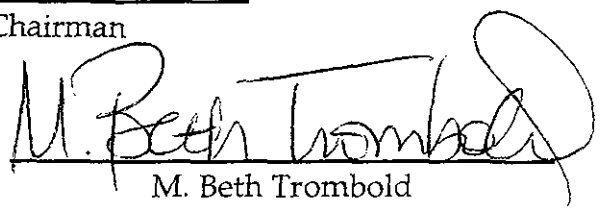

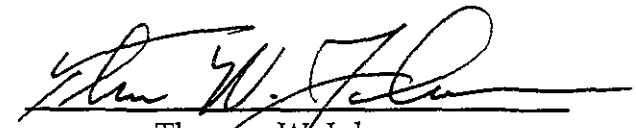
- (4) On March 25, 2015, the Commission issued a Finding and Order, approving Duke's proposed rate adjustments to Rider FBS and Rider EFBS, which were not opposed by the parties to this proceeding. However, in light of the issues raised in the parties' comments, the Commission found that further review was necessary with respect to the other tariff modifications proposed in Duke's application, specifically the Company's proposal to modify the terms under which choice suppliers and aggregators receive firm balancing service or enhanced firm balancing service, and the Company's related proposal to modify the FRAS and GTS tariffs.
- (5) By Opinion and Order issued January 6, 2016, the Commission modified and approved Duke's application to modify the terms under which choice suppliers and aggregators receive either firm balancing service or enhanced firm balancing service, as well as the Company's related proposal to modify the FRAS and GTS tariffs.
- (6) R.C. 4903.10 states that any party who has entered an appearance in a Commission proceeding may apply for a rehearing with respect to any matters determined therein by filing an application within 30 days after the entry of the order upon the Commission's journal.
- (7) On February 5, 2016, applications for rehearing of the Commission's Opinion and Order were filed by Duke, Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. (IGS), and Retail Energy Supply Association (RESA). Memoranda contra the various applications for rehearing were filed by Duke, RESA, and the Ohio Consumers' Counsel on February 16, 2016.
- (8) The Commission believes that sufficient reason has been set forth by Duke, IGS, and RESA to warrant further consideration of the matters specified in the applications for rehearing. Accordingly, the applications for rehearing filed by Duke, IGS, and RESA should be granted.

It is, therefore,

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

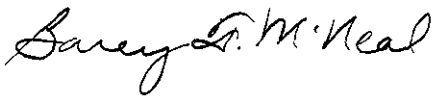
ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry on Rehearing be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

  
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