THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OHIO POWER COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A STANDARD SERVICE OFFER PURSUANT TO R.C. 4928.143, IN THE FORM OF AN ELECTRIC SECURITY PLAN.

CASE NO. 16-1852-EL-SSO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OHIO POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF CERTAIN ACCOUNTING AUTHORITY.

CASE NO. 16-1853-EL-AAM

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on December 1, 2016

- $\{\P 1\}$ Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio (AEP Ohio) is an electric distribution utility as defined in R.C. 4928.01(A)(6) and a public utility as defined in R.C. 4905.02, and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- {¶ 2} R.C. 4928.141 provides that an electric distribution utility shall provide consumers within its certified territory a standard service offer (SSO) of all competitive retail electric services necessary to maintain essential electric services to customers, including a firm supply of electric generation services. The SSO may be either a market rate offer in accordance with R.C. 4928.142 or an electric security plan (ESP) in accordance with R.C. 4928.143.
- {¶ 3} In Case No. 13-2385-EL-SSO, et al., the Commission modified and approved AEP Ohio's application for an ESP for the period beginning June 1, 2015, through May 31, 2018, pursuant to R.C. 4928.143. *In re Ohio Power Co.*, Case No. 13-2385-EL-SSO, et al. (*ESP 3 Case*), Opinion and Order (Feb. 25, 2015), Second Entry on Rehearing (May 28, 2015), Fourth Entry on Rehearing (Nov. 3, 2016).
- {¶ 4} On May 13, 2016, in the *ESP 3 Case*, AEP Ohio filed an application that, if approved, would modify the ESP and extend its term through May 31, 2024.

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{¶ 5} By Entry issued September 7, 2016, AEP Ohio was directed to refile its ESP

extension application in the above-captioned cases.

{¶ 6} On November 23, 2016, AEP Ohio filed its ESP extension application in

the above-captioned cases, as directed.

 $\{\P 7\}$ At this time, the attorney examiner finds that a technical conference

should be scheduled to allow interested persons the opportunity to better understand

AEP Ohio's application. The technical conference will be held on December 14, 2016, at

10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Hearing

Room 11-B, Columbus, Ohio.

¶ 8} The procedural schedule for these cases will be established by subsequent

entry.

 $\{\P 9\}$ It is, therefore,

¶ 10 ORDERED, That a technical conference be held on December 14, 2016, at

10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Hearing

Room 11-B, Columbus, Ohio. It is, further,

{¶ 11} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all interested

persons and parties of record.

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s/Sarah Parrot

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Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry scheduling a technical conference for 12/14/2016 in accordance with Paragraph 7. - electronically filed by Sandra Coffey on behalf of Sarah Parrot, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio