

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF OHIO POWER COMPANY TO AMEND  
ITS INTERCONNECTION TARIFF.

CASE NO. 14-1609-EL-ATA

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CASE NO. 16-1730-EL-ATA

### FINDING AND ORDER

*Entered in the Journal on December 21, 2016*

#### I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Commission approves the application of Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio, as filed on August 31, 2016, to revise its interconnection tariff.

#### II. DISCUSSION

{¶ 2} 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.

{¶ 3} Pursuant to R.C. 4928.11(A) and 4928.06, the Commission is required to adopt rules that establish uniform interconnection standards to ensure transmission and distribution system safety and reliability and that provide for high quality, safe, and reliable electric service.

{¶ 4} On May 19, 2014, the Commission final filed with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review amended rules in Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 4901:1-22, with an effective date of July 10, 2014, requiring electric utilities to file revised or updated interconnection tariffs.

{¶ 5} On September 12, 2014, in Case No. 14-1609-EL-ATA, AEP Ohio filed an application for approval of its revised interconnection tariff to comply with the amended rules in Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 4901:1-22. On August 16, 2016, AEP Ohio filed correspondence requesting that its application be withdrawn, in light of a new application filed in Case No. 16-1730-EL-ATA. The Commission finds that AEP Ohio's request is reasonable and should be granted.

{¶ 6} AEP Ohio filed its new application for approval to revise its interconnection tariff, in Case No. 16-1730-EL-ATA, on August 16, 2016. Subsequently, on August 31, 2016, AEP Ohio filed an amended application. In the amended application, AEP Ohio notes that Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-22-02(B) requires each electric distribution utility to file uniform interconnection service tariffs for review and approval by the Commission. AEP Ohio, therefore, proposes to amend its interconnection tariff, consistent with the current rules in Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 4901:1-22.

{¶ 7} No party filed comments or objections to AEP Ohio's application for approval of its revised interconnection tariff.

{¶ 8} On September 20, 2016, Staff filed its review and recommendation. Staff indicates that AEP Ohio has satisfied the interconnection tariff filing requirement. Staff also recommends that the Commission approve AEP Ohio's amended application to revise its interconnection tariff, as filed on August 31, 2016.

{¶ 9} The Commission finds that AEP Ohio's proposed interconnection tariff, as filed on August 31, 2016, does not appear to be unjust or unreasonable and should be approved. Additionally, as no party filed comments or objections to AEP Ohio's application for approval of an interconnection tariff, we find that no hearing is necessary in this matter.

### III. ORDER

{¶ 10} It is, therefore,

{¶ 11} ORDERED, That AEP Ohio's request to withdraw its application in Case No. 14-1609-EL-ATA be granted. It is, further,

{¶ 12} ORDERED, That Case No. 14-1609-EL-ATA be dismissed and closed of record. It is, further,

{¶ 13} ORDERED, That AEP Ohio's amended application in Case No. 16-1730-EL-ATA, as filed on August 31, 2016, be approved. It is, further,

{¶ 14} ORDERED, That AEP Ohio be authorized to file tariffs, in final form, consistent with this Finding and Order. AEP Ohio shall file one copy in this case docket and one copy in its TRF docket. It is, further,

{¶ 15} ORDERED, That the effective date of the new tariffs shall be a date not earlier than the date upon which the final tariff pages are filed with the Commission. It is, further,

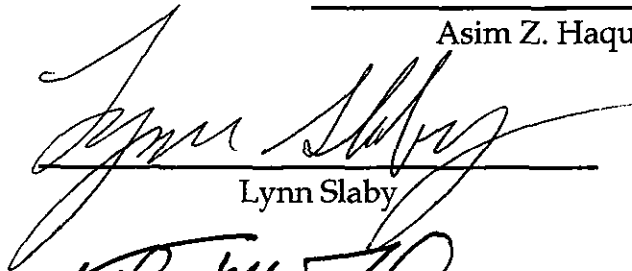
{¶ 16} ORDERED, That nothing in this Finding and Order shall be binding upon the Commission in any future proceeding or investigation involving the justness or reasonableness of any rate, charge, rule, or regulation. It is, further,

{¶ 17} ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon all parties and interested persons of record.

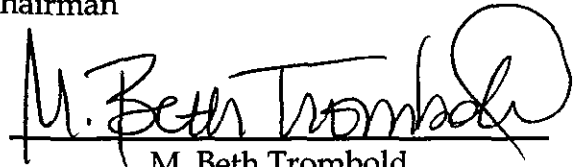
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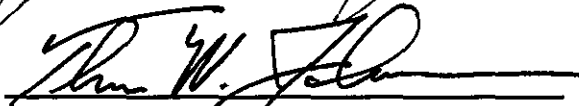
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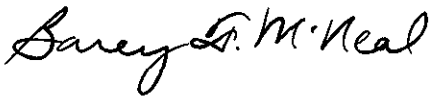
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