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RE: *In the Matter of the Applications of Ohio Power Company to update the tariff language* its Energy Efficiency Peak Demand Reduction Rider and Enhanced Service Reliability Rider, Case Nos. 18-440-EL-ATA and 18-441-EL-ATA

Dear Docketing Division:

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Enclosed please find the Staff's Review and Recommendations in regard to the Applications of Ohio Power Company in Case Nos. 18-440-EL-ATA and 18-441-EL-ATA.

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Ohio Power Company

Case No. 18-440-EL-ATA Case No. 18-441-EL-ATA

SUMMARY

On March 13, 2018, Ohio Power Company (AEP Ohio) filed applications to modify the tariff language of its Energy Efficiency Peak Demand Reduction Rider (EEPDR) in Case No. 18-440-EL-ATA and its Enhanced Service Reliability Rider (ESRR) in Case No. 18-441-EL-ATA.

The proposed language clarifies that the EEPDR and the ESRR are subject to reconciliation, including, but not limited to, refunds to customers, based upon the impact to the carrying charge rate recovered through the riders of changes in Federal corporate income taxes due to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 or based upon the results of audits ordered by the Commission.

STAFF REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Staff has reviewed the proposed tariff language as filed on March 13, 2018, and believes that the language appropriately clarifies that the EEPDR and the ESRR are subject to reconciliation, including, but not limited to, refunds to customers, based upon the impact to the carrying charge rate recovered through the riders of changes in Federal corporate income taxes due to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 or based upon the results of audits ordered by the Commission.

CONCLUSION

The Staff recommends approval of the applications for the proposed language to be included in the EEPDR and ESRR tariffs.