

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT PETITION
OF AEP OHIO AND MIDWEST ELECTRIC
INC. REQUESTING REVISION TO
TERRITORIAL BOUNDARY MAP.

CASE NO. 18-943-EL-PEB

FINDING AND ORDER

Entered in the Journal on July 25, 2018

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} In this Finding and Order, the Commission grants the joint petition of Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio and Midwest Electric Inc. to reallocate their service territories.

II. DISCUSSION

{¶ 2} On March 7, 2012, in Case No. 10-2376-EL-UNC, the Commission approved and confirmed the merger of Columbus Southern Power Company (CSP) into Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio (AEP Ohio). *In re Ohio Power Co. and Columbus Southern Power Co.*, Case No. 10-2376-EL-UNC (*AEP Ohio Merger Case*), Entry (Mar. 7, 2012).

{¶ 3} AEP Ohio and Midwest Electric Inc. (ME) are electric suppliers as defined in R.C. 4933.81. By Entries issued in Case No. 78-1311-EL-ORD, the Commission certified the territories of CSP and ME. Following the merger approved in the *AEP Ohio Merger Case*, AEP Ohio provides retail electric service to customers within CSP's certified territory.

{¶ 4} Pursuant to R.C. 4933.83(E), two or more electric suppliers may jointly petition the Commission to reallocate their service territories and electric load centers. In their petition, the electric suppliers shall designate which portion of their territories and electric load centers will be served by each electric supplier.

{¶ 5} On May 31, 2018, AEP Ohio and ME jointly petitioned the Commission to include overlap "C" in Van Wert County, Jennings Township, Ohio. Specifically, they request the following relocation:

On Quadrangle map I-4 include overlap "C" served by ME in AEP Ohio territory, parcel 280559400000, and physically addressed as 21638 State Route 116, Spencerville, Ohio 45887

{¶ 6} In support of their request, AEP Ohio and ME explain that Pine Valley Ranch, LLC. has requested ME to serve the Pine Valley Poultry Facility located at 21638 State Route 116 in Spencerville. ME has three phase service nine tenths of a mile south of this location while AEP Ohio's nearest three phase line is approximately 11,700 feet from the requested service location.

{¶ 7} No objections have been filed to the joint petition for reallocation.

{¶ 8} The Commission finds that granting the requested relief will promote the purposes of R.C. 4933.81 to 4933.90, and will further promote the provision of adequate service to all territories and electric load centers affected by the relocation as required by R.C 4933.83(E). Accordingly, the Commission finds that the joint petition is reasonable and should be approved.

{¶ 9} The Commission, therefore, directs that the territorial boundaries of AEP Ohio and ME be appropriately modified as delineated in the joint petition and the maps of the certified territories be amended accordingly.

III. ORDER

{¶ 10} It is, therefore,

{¶ 11} ORDERED, That the request of AEP Ohio and ME to reallocate their territory boundaries be granted. It is, further,

{¶ 12} ORDERED, That the change on quadrangle map I-4, described in the joint petition, be approved to show the boundary line change. It is, further,

{¶ 13} ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon each party of record.

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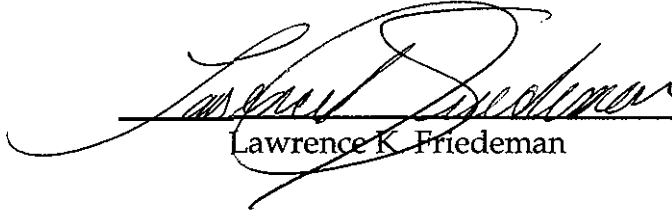
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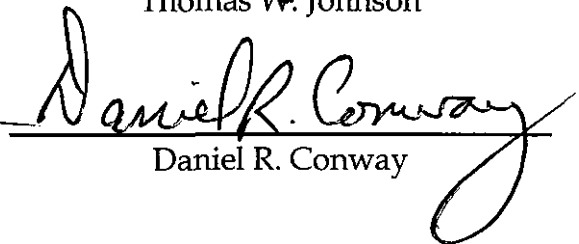
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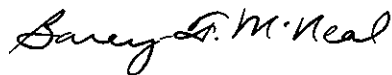


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