THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT OF DR. THOMAS INWOOD,

COMPLAINANT,

v.

CASE NO. 18-744-EL-CSS

THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY,

RESPONDENT.

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on September 19, 2018

- **{¶ 1}** By Entry issued August 16, 2018, a settlement conference in this matter was scheduled to occur at the Commission's offices at 11:00 a.m. on September 4, 2018.
- {¶ 2} On September 4, 2018, an attorney examiner and a representative of Respondent, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, were in attendance for the scheduled conference. However, the Complainant, Dr. Thomas Inwood, was not present and, consequently, the settlement conference was not convened.
- {¶ 3} The attorney examiner finds that the settlement conference should be rescheduled to October 11, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. at the Commission offices, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus Ohio 43215-3793. All parties should register at the lobby desk and then proceed to the 11th Floor in order to participate in the settlement conference.
- {¶ 4} The purpose of the settlement conference will be to explore the parties' willingness to negotiate a resolution in lieu of an evidentiary hearing. The parties should bring with them to the settlement conference all documents relevant to this matter. In accordance with Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-26, any statements made in an attempt to settle this matter without the need for an evidentiary hearing will not generally be admissible

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to prove liability or invalidity of a claim. An attorney examiner from the Commission's

legal department will facilitate the settlement process. However, nothing prohibits any

party from initiating settlement negotiations prior to the scheduled settlement

conference.

§¶ 5 Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-26(F), the representatives of the public

utility shall investigate the issues raised on the complaint prior to the settlement

conference, and all parties attending the conference shall be prepared to discuss

settlement of the issues raised and shall have the authority to settle those issues.

§¶ 6} As is the case in all Commission complaint proceedings, the complainant

has the burden of proving the allegations of the complaint. Grossman v. Public Util.

Comm., 5 Ohio St.2d 189, 214 N.E. 2d 666 (1966).

{¶ 7} Complainant is advised that failure to attend the October 11, 2018

settlement conference may result in dismissal of his complaint for lack of prosecution.

 $\{\P 8\}$ It is, therefore,

§¶ 9 ORDERED, That a settlement conference be scheduled for October 11, 2018,

at 11:00 a.m., at the Commission offices, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-

3793. It is, further,

¶ 10 ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

s/Daniel Fullin

By: Daniel E. Fullin

Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry scheduling settlement conference for 10/11/2018 in accordance with Paragraph 3 - electronically filed by Sandra Coffey on behalf of Daniel Fullin, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio