

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
THE OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
AGENCY FOR AN ORDER APPROVING
ADJUSTMENTS TO THE UNIVERSAL
SERVICE FUND RIDERS OF
JURISDICTIONAL OHIO ELECTRIC
DISTRIBUTION UTILITIES.

CASE NO. 18-976-EL-USF

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on November 21, 2018

{¶ 1} On May 31, 2018, the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) filed a notice of intent (NOI) to file its annual Universal Service Fund (USF) rider adjustment application on or before October 31, 2018. ODSA's NOI set forth the USF rider revenue requirement methodology and rate design methodology that would be used in preparing its subsequent USF rider adjustment application.

{¶ 2} By Opinion and Order issued September 19, 2018, the Commission approved, pursuant to a Joint Stipulation and Recommendation, the proposed USF rider revenue requirement methodology and USF rider rate design methodology.

{¶ 3} On October 31, 2018, ODSA filed its 2018 USF adjustment application, and supporting testimony, to adjust the USF riders of all Ohio jurisdictional electric utilities to be effective January 1, 2019, on a bills-rendered basis.

{¶ 4} To assist the Commission with its consideration of ODSA's USF adjustment application, by Entry issued November 1, 2018, a procedural schedule was established such that if any party requested, a settlement conference would be held on November 15, 2018 and the hearing on ODSA's adjustment application would be held on November 27, 2018.

{¶ 5} No party requested a settlement/prehearing conference.

{¶ 6} On November 20, 2018, ODSA filed a motion for a continuance and a request for expedited ruling. In the motion, ODSA notes that in Case No. 17-1382-EL-UNC, the

Commission directed Ohio Power Company (AEP Ohio) to work with ODSA and Commission Staff to apply the balance of specific undistributed refunds to AEP Ohio's USF revenue requirement for the rates to be collected in 2019. *In re AEP Ohio*, Case No. 17-1382-EL-UNC, Entry (Oct. 31, 2018). In addition, ODSA states that it is in the process of revising the adjustment application to incorporate actual data from the electric distribution utilities for the month of September 2018. ODSA reasons that as a result of absences during the Thanksgiving holiday, additional time is needed for the parties to review the amended application and to engage settlement discussions. Accordingly, ODSA requests that the hearing in this proceeding be continued to December 5, 2018. ODSA certifies, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-12(C), that all of the parties to this proceeding have been contacted and none objects to the continuance or the expedited ruling.

{¶ 7} ODSA's motion for a continuance of the hearing is reasonable and should be granted. Accordingly, the hearing in this matter is rescheduled until December 5, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., in Hearing Room D, at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

{¶ 8} It is, therefore,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That ODSA's motion for a continuance of the hearing be granted.
It is further,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That the hearing be rescheduled in accordance with Paragraph 7.
It is, further,

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

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/s/ Greta See

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry granting motion for continuance and rescheduling hearing electronically filed by Heather A Chilcote on behalf of Greta See, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission