## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF VECTREN ENERGY DELIVERY OF OHIO, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF AN INCREASE IN GAS RATES.

**CASE NO. 18-298-GA-AIR** 

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF VECTREN ENERGY DELIVERY OF OHIO, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE RATE PLAN.

**CASE NO. 18-299-GA-ALT** 

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF VECTREN ENERGY DELIVERY OF OHIO, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE RATE PLAN.

CASE NO. 18-49-GA-ALT

## **ENTRY**

## Entered in the Journal on January 24, 2019

- {¶ 1} Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc. (VEDO or the Company) is a natural gas company and a public utility as defined by R.C. 4905.03 and R.C. 4905.02, respectively. As such, VEDO is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission pursuant to R.C. 4905.04, 4905.05, and 4905.06.
- {¶ 2} On January 3, 2018, VEDO filed a notice of intent to file an application for approval of an alternative rate plan under R.C. 4929.05. *In the Matter of the Application of Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc. for Approval of an Alternative Rate Plan*, Case No. 18-49-GA-ALT (*CEP Rider Case*). On February 21, 2018, the Company filed two additional notices of intent: one to file an application for an increase in rates and charges under R.C. 4909.18 and a second notice of intent to file a separate application for approval of an alternative rate plan under R.C. 4929.05. *In the Matter of Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc. for Approval of an Increase in Gas Rates*, Case No. 18-298-GA-AIR; *In the Matter of Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc. for Approval of an Alternative Rate Plan*, Case No. 18-299-GA-ALT (together, *Rate Case Proceedings*).

{¶ 3} On March 30, 2018, VEDO filed its combined application to increase rates and charges and for approval of an alternative rate plan pursuant to R.C. 4909.18 and R.C. 4929.05 in the *Rate Case Proceedings*. And, on April 13, 2018, VEDO filed its application for approval of an alternative rate plan in the *CEP Rider Case*. By Entry issued May 24, 2018, the attorney examiner granted a motion to consolidate all three of VEDO's cases into one proceeding.

- {¶ 4} Subsequently, Staff filed comprehensive written reports of its investigation of VEDO's applications, several parties were granted intervention, and a procedural schedule was issued for these consolidated cases. Currently, the hearing is scheduled to commence on January 29, 2019.
- {¶ 5} On January 16, 2019, Federal Executive Agencies (FEA) filed a motion requesting that the Commission grant Robert J. Friedman permission to appear and participate as counsel for FEA in these cases.
- {¶ 6} Gov. Bar R. XII governs pro hac vice admission in Ohio, with Section 2 providing the rules governing eligibility to practice. Pursuant to Gov. Bar R. XII, Section 2(A)(7), an attorney seeking to appear pro hac vice must file a motion accompanied by a certificate of pro hac vice registration furnished by the Supreme Court of Ohio's Office of Attorney Services and include other specified information. The attorney examiner has examined the motion for admission pro hac vice submitted on behalf of Attorney Friedman and finds that the motion complies with Gov. Bar R. XII, Section 2(A)(7), is reasonable, and should be granted.
  - $\{\P 7\}$  It is, therefore,
- {¶ 8} ORDERED, That the motion to appear pro hac vice filed by Robert J. Friedman be granted. It is, further,

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

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/s/Patricia A. Schabo

By: Patricia A. Schabo Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry granting motion to appear pro hac vice electronically filed by Heather A Chilcote on behalf of Patricia Schabo, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission