THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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CASE NO. 13-572-EL-FAC

IN THE MATTER OF THE FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSES FOR OHIO POWER COMPANY.

CASE NO. 13-1286-EL-FAC

IN THE MATTER OF THE FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSES FOR OHIO POWER COMPANY.

CASE NO. 13-1892-EL-FAC

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OHIO POWER COMPANY TO ADOPT A FINAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR THE RETAIL STABILITY RIDER.

CASE NO. 14-1186-EL-RDR

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OHIO POWER COMPANY FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE SIGNIFICANTLY EXCESSIVE EARNINGS TEST PURSUANT TO R.C. 4928.143(F) AND OHIO ADM.CODE 4901:1-35-10.

CASE NO. 15-1022-EL-UNC

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OHIO POWER COMPANY FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE SIGNIFICANTLY EXCESSIVE EARNINGS TEST PURSUANT TO R.C. 4928.143(F) AND OHIO ADM.CODE 4901:1-35-10.

CASE NO. 16-1105-EL-UNC

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on February 27, 2019

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Commission approves Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio's request to expire its phase-in recovery rider tariffs.

II. DISCUSSION

- $\{\P\ 2\}$ Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio (AEP Ohio or Company) is an electric distribution utility as defined in R.C. 4928.01(A)(6) and a public utility as defined in R.C. 4905.02, and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- {¶ 3} R.C. 4928.141 provides that an electric distribution utility shall provide consumers within its certified territory a standard service offer (SSO) of all competitive retail electric services necessary to maintain essential electric services to customers, including a firm supply of electric generation services. The SSO may be either a market rate offer in accordance with R.C. 4928.142 or an electric security plan (ESP) in accordance with R.C. 4928.143.
- {¶ 4} On February 23, 2017, the Commission modified and approved a joint stipulation and recommendation (Global Settlement Stipulation) filed in the above-captioned cases by AEP Ohio and numerous other parties to resolve a number of pending issues regarding the Company's second ESP and other related matters. Among other terms, the Global Settlement Stipulation provided that the revenue requirement for the phase-in recovery rider (PIRR) would be reduced by \$97.4 million over the remaining collection period for the rider. The PIRR enables AEP Ohio to recover deferred fuel costs from its first ESP over a collection period beginning in 2012 and continuing through 2018. Order on Global Settlement Stipulation at ¶¶ 7, 99.

- {¶ 5} On February 6, 2019, AEP Ohio filed correspondence to expire its PIRR tariffs. AEP Ohio states that, since the Global Settlement Stipulation became effective, the Company has reduced the PIRR revenue requirement by \$95,273,496 and, therefore, a final over-collection of \$2,126,503 exists for the PIRR. AEP Ohio notes that all rates under the PIRR tariffs expired effective with the February 2019 billing cycle. Additionally, AEP Ohio states that it will maintain the over-collection as a regulatory liability, pending further direction from the Commission.
- {¶ 6} The Commission finds that AEP Ohio's request to expire its PIRR tariffs should be approved. The Commission also finds that no hearing is required on this matter. Finally, we note that AEP Ohio should continue to maintain the over-collection as a regulatory liability, until otherwise directed by the Commission.

III. ORDER

- {¶ 7} It is, therefore,
- {¶ 8} ORDERED, That AEP Ohio's request to expire its PIRR tariffs be approved. It is, further,

 \P 9 ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all interested persons and parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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