

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC. FOR  
ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
SIGNIFICANTLY EXCESSIVE EARNINGS  
TEST.

CASE NO. 19-460-EL-UNC

### ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on April 28, 2020

{¶ 1} Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke or the Company) is an electric distribution utility as defined by 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.

{¶ 2} Pursuant to the directives of R.C. 4928.143(F), the Commission is required to evaluate the earnings of each electric utility's approved electric security plan to determine whether the plan or offer produces significantly excessive earnings for the electric utility.

{¶ 3} On May 15, 2019, Duke filed an application for the administration of the significantly excessive earnings test, as required by R.C. 4928.143(F) and Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-35-10 for 2018.

{¶ 4} By Entry issued January 23, 2020, the attorney examiner, among other things, established a procedural schedule and set this matter for hearing on March 18, 2020.

{¶ 5} Subsequently, by Entry issued March 12, 2020, the attorney examiner rescheduled the evidentiary hearing to convene on May 7, 2020.

{¶ 6} On March 9, 2020, the governor signed Executive Order 2020-01D (Executive Order), declaring a state of emergency in Ohio to protect the well-being of Ohioans from the dangerous effects of COVID-19. As described in the Executive Order, state agencies are required to implement procedures consistent with recommendations from the Department of Health to prevent or alleviate the public health threat associated with COVID-19. Additionally, all citizens are urged to heed the advice of the Department of Health regarding this public health emergency in order to protect their health and safety.

{¶ 7} As a result of the Executive Order, beginning March 13, 2020, the Commission reduced on-site staffing, and most employees began working from home to reduce exposure to COVID-19.

{¶ 8} Accordingly, the attorney examiner reschedules the evidentiary hearing to convene on July 17, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. at the Commission offices, Hearing Room 11-D, 11th floor, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793. The parties should register at the lobby desk and then proceed to the 11th floor in order to participate in the hearing.

{¶ 9} It is, therefore,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That the hearing be rescheduled to July 17, 2020, in accordance with Paragraph 8. It is, further,

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

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

/s/Lauren L. Augostini

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