BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the Application of The :

Dayton Power and Light Company for

Approval of Its Plan to Modernize Its

Distribution Grid

In the Matter of the Application of The

Dayton Power and Light Company for

Approval of a Limited Waiver of Ohio

Adm. Code 4901:1-18-06(A)(2)

In the Matter of the Application of The

Dayton Power and Light Company for

Approval of Certain Accounting Methods

In the Matter of the Application of The

Dayton Power and Light Company for

Administration of the Significantly Excessive

Earnings Test Under R.C. 4928.143(F) and

Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-35-10 for 2018

In the Matter of the Application of The

Dayton Power and Light Company for

Administration of the Significantly Excessive

Earnings Test Under R.C. 4928.143(F) and

Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-35-10 for 2019

In the Matter of the Application of

The Dayton Power and Light Company for a

Finding That Its Current Electric Security

Plan Passes the Significantly Excessive

Earnings Test and More Favorable in the

Aggregate Test in R.C. 4928.143(E)

Case No. 18-1875-EL-GRD

Case No. 18-1876-EL-WVR

Case No. 18-1877-EL-AAM

Case No. 19-1121-EL-UNC

Case No. 20-1041-EL-UNC

Case No. 20-0680-EL-UNC

THE DAYTON POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY'S OBJECTIONS AND RESPONSES TO INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS PROPOUNDED UPON DP&L BY THE OFFICE OF THE OHIO CONSUMERS' COUNSEL -- FIRST SET CONSOLIDATED CASES (OCTOBER 30, 2020)

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The Dayton Power and Light Company ("DP&L") objects and responds to The Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel's Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents Propounded Upon Dayton Power and Light Company, First Set Consolidated Cases, October 30, 2020, as follows.

GENERAL OBJECTIONS

- 1. DP&L objects to and declines to respond to each and every discovery request to the extent that it seeks information that is irrelevant and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Ohio Admin. Code § 4901-1-16(B).
- 2. DP&L objects to and declines to respond to each and every discovery request to the extent that it is harassing, unduly burdensome, oppressive or overbroad. Ohio Admin. Code §§ 4901-1-16(B) and 4901-1-24(A).
- 3. DP&L objects to each and every discovery request to the extent that it seeks information that is privileged by statute or common law, including privileged communications between attorney and client or attorney work product. Ohio Admin. Code § 4901-1-16(B). Such material or information shall not be provided, and any inadvertent disclosure of material or information protected by the attorney-client privilege, the attorney work product doctrine or any other privilege or protection from discovery is not intended and should not be construed to constitute a waiver, either generally or specifically, with respect to such information or material or the subject matter thereof.
- 4. DP&L objects to each and every discovery request to the extent that it seeks information that is proprietary, competitively sensitive or valuable, or constitutes trade secrets. Ohio Admin. Code § 4901-1-24(A).

- 5. To the extent that interrogatories seek relevant information that may be derived from the business records of DP&L or from an examination or inspection of such records and the burden of deriving the answer is the same for the party requesting the information as it is for DP&L, DP&L may specify the records from which the answer may be derived or ascertained and afford the party requesting the information the opportunity to examine or inspect such records. Ohio Admin. Code § 4901-1-19(D).
- 6. DP&L objects to each and every interrogatory that can be answered more efficiently by the production of documents or by the taking of depositions. Under the comparable Ohio Civil Rules, "[a]n interrogatory seeks an admission or it seeks information of major significance in the trial or in the preparation for trial. It does not contemplate an array of details or outlines of evidence, a function reserved by rules for depositions." Penn Cent. Transp. Co. v. Armco Steel Corp., 27 Ohio Misc. 76, 77, 272 N.E.2d 877, 878 (Montgomery Cty. 1971). As Penn further noted, interrogatories that ask one to "describe in detail," "state in detail," or "describe in particulars" are "open end invitation[s] without limit on its comprehensive nature with no guide for the court to determine if the voluminous response is what the party sought in the first place." Id., 272 N.E.2d at 878.
- 7. DP&L objects to each and every discovery request to the extent that it calls for information that is not in DP&L's current possession, custody, or control or could be more easily obtained through third parties or other sources. Ohio Admin. Code § 4901-1-19(C) and 4901-1-20(D). DP&L also objects to each and every discovery request that seeks information that is already on file with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio or the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. To the extent that each and every discovery request seeks information available in pre-filed testimony, pre-hearing data submissions and other documents that DP&L has filed with

the Commission in the pending or previous proceedings, DP&L objects to it. Ohio Admin. Code § 4901-1-16(G).

- 8. DP&L reserves its right to redact confidential or irrelevant information from documents produced in discovery. All documents that have been redacted will be stamped as such.
- 9. DP&L objects to each and every discovery request to the extent that it is vague or ambiguous or contains terms or phrases that are undefined and subject to varying interpretation or meaning, and may, therefore, make responses misleading or incorrect.
- 10. DP&L objects to any discovery request to the extent that it calls for information not in its possession, but in the possession of DP&L's unregulated affiliates.
- 11. DP&L objects to each and every discovery request to the extent that it calls for a legal conclusion, and thus seeks information that cannot be sponsored by a witness.
- 12. DP&L objects because these discovery requests seek information that DP&L does not know at this time.
- 13. DP&L objects to the request to the extent that it mischaracterizes previous statements or information or is an incomplete recitation of past statements or information or takes those statements or information outside of the context in which they were made.

INTERROGATORIES

INT-1-1. Pursuant to Ohio Adm. Code 4901-1-16(C), identify each expert witness that you expect to testify at the hearing regarding the Settlement.

RESPONSE: General Objections Nos. 3 (privileged and work product), 7 (not in DP&L's possession or available on PUCO website). DP&L further objects because it does not have to submit testimony in support of the stipulation until November 30, 2020. DP&L further objects because the request seeks information that is privileged and work product. Subject to all general objections, DP&L states that a response will be provided when DP&L files testimony on November 30, 2020. Subject to all general objections, DP&L states that it intends to call the following witnesses:

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Karin Nyhuis

R. Jeffrey Malinak

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing The Dayton Power and Light Company's Objections and Responses to Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents Propounded upon DP&L by The Office of The Ohio Consumers' Counsel -- First Set Consolidated Cases (October 30, 2020), has been served via electronic mail upon the following counsel of record, this 19th day of November, 2020.

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