

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
VECTREN ENERGY DELIVERY OF OHIO,
INC. D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY OHIO
FOR APPROVAL OF REVISED TARIFFS.

CASE No. 21-553-GA-ATA

FINDING AND ORDER

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I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Commission approves the application of Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Ohio to amend its tariffs to reflect its new trade name.

II. DISCUSSION

{¶ 2} Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Ohio (CEOH or the Company) is a natural gas company as defined in R.C. 4905.03 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. 4909.18 provides, in part, that a public utility may file an application to establish any rate, charge, regulation, or practice. If the Commission determines that the application is not for an increase in any rate and does not appear to be unjust or unreasonable, the Commission may approve the application without the need for a hearing.

{¶ 4} On May 7, 2021, CEOH filed an application to amend its tariffs, in order to reflect its new trade name, "CenterPoint Energy Ohio." CEOH states that it also proposes to amend its tariffs to update references to the website of its parent company. CEOH adds that, because the tariffs predominantly use the Company's legal name, few tariff pages are affected. Finally, CEOH notes that the transition to the new trade name will not involve any change in the Company's legal name, corporate structure, or ownership or have any impact on the Company's existing rates, services, rules, or regulations.

{¶ 5} On May 13, 2021, Staff filed its review and recommendations in response to CEOH's application. Noting that the application will not result in any rate change, Staff recommends that it be approved.

{¶ 6} The Commission finds that CEOH's application to amend its tariffs does not appear to be unjust or unreasonable and that it should be approved. The Commission notes that no comments or motions to intervene were filed in response to the application. Finally, consistent with R.C. 4909.18, the Commission finds that no hearing is required in this case.

III. ORDER

{¶ 7} It is, therefore,

{¶ 8} ORDERED, That CEOH's application to amend its tariffs be approved. It is, further,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That CEOH be authorized to file tariffs, in final form, consistent with this Finding and Order. CEOH shall file one copy in this case docket and one copy in its TRF docket. It is, further,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That the effective date of the new tariffs shall be a date not earlier than the date upon which the final tariff pages are filed with the Commission. It is, further,

{¶ 11} ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon all interested persons and parties of record.

COMMISSIONERS:

Approving:

Jenifer French, Chair
M. Beth Trombold
Lawrence K. Friedeman
Daniel R. Conway
Dennis P. Deters

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