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Docketing Division
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus OH 43215

RE: In the Matter of The Applications of the Electric Distribution Companies (EDUs) for approval of a New Tariff for the Solar Generation Fund Rider:

Duke Energy Ohio, Inc	Case No. 21-918-EL-ATA
The Dayton Power and Light Company d/b/a AES Ohio	Case No. 21-921-EL-ATA
Ohio Edison, Cleveland Electric Illuminating, Toledo Edison	Case No. 21-938-EL-ATA
Ohio Power Company	Case No. 21-942-EL-ATA

Dear Docketing Division:

Enclosed please find the Staff's Review and Recommendations regarding the applications filed by the EDUs for approval of a new Tariff for the Solar Generation Fund Rider.

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STAFF REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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Background

On July 14, 2021, in accordance with applicable legislative directives, the Commission issued an Entry in Case No. 21-447-EL-UNC (Entry), establishing a rate mechanism for the retail recovery of costs related to the solar generation fund pursuant to R.C. 3706.46 for the period up to December 31, 2027.

In its Entry the Commission directed the Electric Distribution Companies (EDUs) to file proposed Solar Generation Fund Riders (Rider SGF) 45 days prior to the annual effective dates of Rider SGF, subject to review and approval by the Commission.

Staff Review and Recommendation

Pursuant to the Commission's Entry, the EDUs filed their proposed Rider SGF tariffs. Staff has reviewed the proposed tariffs and finds that the Companies have included the appropriate rates for residential and non-residential customers.

Per the Commission's Entry, Rider SGF is to become effective November 1, 2021 on a bills-rendered basis. Tarif language included in the proposed Rider SGF for Ohio Edison, Cleveland Electric Illuminating and Toledo Edison (FE EDUs) states that the Rider will become effective on November 1, 2021 on a service-rendered basis. Staff recommends that the Commission direct the FE EDUs to modify their proposed tariff language to comply with the Commission's Entry, making Rider SGF effective November 1, 2021 on a bills-rendered basis.

Ohio Power Company included proposed tariff language indicating that Rider SGF is subject to reconciliation, consistent with Section 3706.46 of the Revised Code and the Entries in Case No. 21-447-EL-ATA. Staff recommends that the Commission direct Ohio Power Company to modify their proposed language to indicate the Rider is subject to reconciliation and refunds, consistent with the language included in the other EDU's proposed Rider SGF tariffs.

Conclusion

The Staff recommends that the Commission approve the EDU's proposed Rider SGF tariffs subject to above recommendations and that the proposed rates become effective on November 1, 2021 on a bills-rendered basis.

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Summary: Staff Review and Recommendation regarding the applications filed by the EDUs for approval of a new Tariff for the Solar Generation Fund Rider electronically filed by Zee Molter on behalf of PUCO Staff