THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT OF DOUGLAS A. MORGAN,

CASE NO. 21-385-EL-CSS

COMPLAINANT,

v.

OHIO POWER COMPANY D/B/A AEP OHIO,

RESPONDENT.

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on April 19, 2022

- {¶ 1} Pursuant to R.C. 4905.26, the Commission has authority to consider written complaints filed against a public utility by any person or corporation regarding any rate, service, regulation, or practice relating to any service furnished by the public utility that is in any respect unjust, unreasonable, insufficient, or unjustly discriminatory.
- {¶ 2} Respondent, Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio, (AEP Ohio or the Company), is a public utility as defined in R.C. 4905.02 and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- {¶ 3} On April 9, 2021, Douglas A. Morgan (Complainant or Mr. Morgan) filed a complaint against AEP Ohio, alleging that the manner in which AEP Ohio is maintaining and utilizing its power line or other facilities is responsible for noise and radio frequency interference which, intermittently and for days at a time, prevents Mr. Morgan, a certified amateur radio license holder, from using his amateur radio equipment. Mr. Morgan alleges that he has reported this to AEP Ohio, but that the Company has, to date, not located or repaired the problem.
- {¶ 4} On April 28, 2021, AEP Ohio filed its answer to the complaint. In its answer, AEP Ohio admits that Complainant is a customer of the Company, but otherwise denies all of the complaint's allegations and sets forth several affirmative defenses.

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 $\{\P 5\}$ A prehearing settlement teleconference was scheduled for and held in this case

on May 26, 2021. Although the parties did not reach a formal settlement of the case at that

time; they agreed to keep working towards a mutually agreeable resolution of the case.

[¶ 6] To date, the parties have not filed any correspondence in the docket indicating

that a resolution has been reached or that the parties now wish to proceed to hearing.

¶ 7} The parties are now directed to file with the Commission, by May 19, 2022, a

letter indicating whether settlement negotiations are still ongoing or the parties are ready to

proceed to hearing. If no such letter is filed, the attorney examiner will presume that the

parties are ready to proceed to hearing and will schedule a hearing date, accordingly.

 $\{\P 8\}$ It is, therefore,

§¶ 9 ORDERED, That the parties file, by May 19, 2022, a letter regarding the status

of this proceeding, in accordance with Paragraph 7. It is, further,

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

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

s/Daniel E. Fullin

By: Daniel E. Fullin

Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry ordering that the parties file, by May 19, 2022, a letter regarding the status of this proceeding, in accordance with Paragraph 7. electronically filed by Kelli C. King on behalf of Daniel Fullin, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio