

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
THE DAYTON POWER AND LIGHT
COMPANY D/B/A AES OHIO, FOR
APPROVAL OF A WAIVER OF OHIO
ADM.CODE 4901:1-18-06(A)(2).

CASE NO. 21-1234-EL-WVR

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on April 28, 2022

{¶ 1} The Dayton Power and Light Company d/b/a AES Ohio (AES Ohio) is an electric distribution utility, as defined in 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} On December 16, 2021, AES Ohio filed an application for waiver of Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-18-06(A)(2), which requires a utility to provide personal notice to a customer at the customer's premises prior to disconnecting service or to leave a written notice at the premises if the customer is not home. According to AES Ohio, the Commission approved the stipulation filed in Case No. 18-1875-EL-GRD, et al., which included implementation of Phase I of AES Ohio's Smart Grid Plan, and, among other things, required AES Ohio to file a supplemental application for waiver of the above code section. *In re the Application of The Dayton Power and Light Co.*, Case No. 18-1875-EL-GRD, et al., Opinion and Order (June 16, 2021) at ¶ 42. AES Ohio asserts that the requested waiver is limited to its residential customers whose residence is equipped with advanced metering infrastructure that is capable of two-way communication, which allows for automated remote connection, disconnection, and reconnection of service. Further, AES Ohio states that this limited waiver would not apply to customers identified as "critical," or those on a medical certification or a life support system that have completed the appropriate documentation. According to AES Ohio, approval of this waiver would no longer require AES Ohio to dispatch an agent to disconnect residential service in person, reducing cost and increasing safety for its employees and contractors who may otherwise encounter possible hazards or threats at a customer's premises. Also, AES Ohio states that the cost savings of remotely reconnecting and disconnecting service will be included as an offset within the

Infrastructure Investment Rider recovery mechanism. Along with the waiver request, AES Ohio outlined its plan to notify customers regarding this procedure change, as well as attached a proposed bill message notifying specific customers of the change.

{¶ 3} On December 23, 2021, the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, Ohio Poverty Law Center, and Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc., jointly filed their respective motions to intervene in this proceeding.

{¶ 4} In order to assist the Commission in its review of AES Ohio's application, the attorney examiner finds that a comment period should be set. Thus, motions for intervention and comments should be filed no later than May 27, 2022. Reply comments should be filed no later than June 10, 2022.

{¶ 5} It is, therefore,

{¶ 6} ORDERED, That the procedural schedule set forth in Paragraph 4 be adopted. It is, further,

{¶ 7} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all interested persons and parties of record in this matter.

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/s/ Matthew J. Sandor

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry ordering that motions for intervention and comments should be filed no later than May 27, 2022 and reply comments should be filed no later than June 10, 2022. electronically filed by Kelli C. King on behalf of Matthew Sandor, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio