

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC., FOR AN
INCREASE IN ITS ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION
RATES.

CASE NO. 21-887-EL-AIR

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC., FOR TARIFF
APPROVAL.

CASE NO. 21-888-EL-ATA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC., FOR
APPROVAL TO CHANGE ACCOUNTING
METHODS.

CASE NO. 21-889-EL-AAM

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on May 20, 2022

{¶ 1} Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke) is an electric light company and public utility as defined by R.C. 4905.03(C) and R.C. 4905.02, respectively. As such, Duke is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to R.C. 4905.04, 4905.05, and 4905.06.

{¶ 2} On October 1, 2021, Duke filed an application for an increase in electric distribution rates, for approval of tariff modifications, and for approval to changes in certain accounting methods.

{¶ 3} The Commission has caused an investigation to be made of the facts set forth in the rate increase application by the company, the exhibits attached thereto, and other matters connected with the application.

{¶ 4} On May 19, 2022, Staff filed a written report of its investigation (Staff Report). Copies of the Staff Report were mailed to Duke and other persons deemed to be interested in the case.

{¶ 5} Pursuant to R.C. 4909.19 and Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-28(B), all objections to the Staff Report must be filed within 30 days after the filing of such report. All objections

must be specific; any objection that lacks the specificity required to convey what is actually being placed at issue will be stricken pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-28(B).

{¶ 6} Motions to strike objections should be filed by June 30, 2022, and memoranda contra motions to strike objections shall be filed by July 8, 2022. Unless an objection is struck or withdrawn, each objection must be discussed in the initial post-hearing brief of the objecting party. If the objection is not discussed in that initial brief, the objection will be deemed withdrawn without further action.

{¶ 7} Motions to intervene in this proceeding should be filed by June 21, 2022.

{¶ 8} Pre-filed testimony should be filed pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-29.

{¶ 9} A prehearing conference will be held on June 28, at 10:00 a.m. in Hearing Room 11-A at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215. The purpose of the conference will be to discuss procedural aspects of the case and to provide an opportunity for the parties to conduct settlement discussions.

{¶ 10} The evidentiary hearing in this proceeding will commence on August 9, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in Hearing Room 11-A at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

{¶ 11} Any accommodations necessary to ensure availability of social distancing and plexiglass dividers should be made in advance of the hearing. As pandemic restrictions are evolving, additional instructions regarding further safety requirements or accommodations for the hearing room will be forthcoming, either posted on the Commission's website or communicated to the parties.

{¶ 12} The local public hearings will be scheduled, and publication required, by subsequent entry.

{¶ 13} It is, therefore,

{¶ 14} ORDERED, That the prehearing conference in this proceeding be scheduled as stated in Paragraph 9. It is, further,

{¶ 15} ORDERED, That the evidentiary hearing in this proceeding be scheduled as stated in Paragraph 10. It is, further,

{¶ 16} ORDERED, That all interested persons comply with the time frames established in Paragraphs 5, 6, 7, and 8. It is, further,

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

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry ordering that a prehearing conference will be held on June 28, at 10:00 a.m.; that the evidentiary hearing in this proceeding will commence on August 9, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.; and, setting procedural schedule electronically filed by Heather A. Chilcote on behalf of Matthew Sandor, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio