THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT OF MITCHELL STAPLES,

COMPLAINANT,

v.

CASE NO. 22-561-EL-CSS

PLANET ENERGY OHIO CORP.,

RESPONDENT.

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on August 3, 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. Additionally, pursuant to R.C. 4928.16, the Commission has jurisdiction under R.C. 4905.26, upon complaint of any person, regarding the provision by an electric services company subject to certification under R.C. 4928.08 of any service for which it is subject to certification.
- {¶ 2} Planet Energy Ohio Corp. (Planet Energy) is an electric services company as defined in R.C. 4928.01 and is certified to provide competitive retail electric service under R.C. 4928.08. Accordingly, Planet Energy is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
- [¶ 3] On June 1, 2022, Mitchell Staples (Complainant) initiated a complaint against Planet Energy alleging, essentially, that Planet Energy violated a fixed rate contract between Planet Energy and the Complainant. Complainant asserts that he received a letter from Planet Energy on April 29, 2022, stating that on May 2, 2022, the company would no longer supply his electricity. Complainant claims that he and Planet Energy had a fixed rate contract that was supposed to run until October and that buying a new contract will result in Complainant paying higher rates. Complainant asks to be reimbursed for these additional expenses.

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 $\{\P\ 4\}$ On June 17, 2022, Commission Staff filed correspondence stating that it intends

to participate in this docket.

§§ Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901-9-01(B), a copy of the complaint was mailed

to Planet Energy on June 1, 2022, directing Planet Energy to file its answer and any other

responsive pleading within 20 days after June 1, 2022.

[¶ 6] A review of the Commission's records reveals that Planet Energy has not filed

any responsive pleading as required by Ohio Adm. Code 4901-9-01(B).

¶ 7} Planet Energy is ordered to file its answer and any other responsive pleading

in this matter no later than August 23, 2022.

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

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That Planet Energy comply 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/ Matthew J. Sandor

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Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry ordering that Planet Energy file its answer and any other responsive pleading in this matter no later than August 23, 2022 electronically filed by Heather A. Chilcote on behalf of Matthew Sandor, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio