

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Duke)	
Energy Ohio, Inc., for an Increase in)	Case No. 21-887-EL-AIR
Electric Distribution Rates.)	

In the Matter of the Application of Duke)	Case No. 21-888-EL-ATA
Energy Ohio, Inc., for Tariff Approval.)	

In the Matter of the Application of Duke)	
Energy Ohio, Inc., for Approval to)	Case No. 21-889-EL-AAM
Change Accounting Methods.)	

**PREFILED TESTIMONY
OF
ANNIE BAAS**

**SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO
RATES AND ANALYSIS DEPARTMENT
REGULATORY UTILITY SERVICES DIVISION**

STAFF EX. ____

October 3, 2022

1 1. Q. Please state your name and business address.

2 A. My name is Annie Baas. My business address is 180 East Broad Street, Columbus,
3 Ohio 43215.

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5 2. Q. By whom are you employed?

6 A. I am employed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO or
7 Commission).

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9 3. Q. What is your current position with the PUCO?

10 A. My current position is Utility Specialist in the Regulatory Utility Services Division
11 of the Rates and Analysis Department.

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13 4. Q. Would you briefly state your professional and educational background?

14 A. I earned an Associate of Science in Accounting from Columbus State Community
15 College and a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Franklin University. I joined
16 the PUCO in May of 2016 in the Rates and Analysis Department. I have also
17 attended various rate case training programs sponsored by this Commission.

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19 5. Q. Have you testified in previous cases before the PUCO?

20 A. No.

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22 6. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

1 A. The purpose of my testimony is to respond to objections raised by the Ohio
2 Consumers' Counsel (OCC). Specifically, OCC Objection No. 17 and Objection
3 No. 18.

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5 7. Q. In Objection 17, OCC objects to the Staff Report's recommended distribution of
6 revenue by customer class. How do you respond?

7 A. The Joint Stipulation and Recommendation (Stipulation) filed in this proceeding
8 amended the distribution of revenue by customer class proposed in the Staff Report.
9 The Signatory Parties negotiated the various terms, including the recommended
10 revenue requirement and its allocation to each customer class. Staff Witness
11 Lipthrott's testimony supports the Stipulation.

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13 8. Q. In Objection 18, OCC objects to the Staff Report's recommended residential
14 customer charge of \$7.32. How do you respond?

15 A. The Stipulation filed in this proceeding amended the residential customer charge
16 of \$7.32 proposed in the Staff Report. The Signatory Parties negotiated the various
17 terms, including the customer charges in several different customer classes. Staff
18 Witness Lipthrott's testimony supports the Stipulation.

1 9. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

2 A. Yes. However, I reserve the right to submit supplemental testimony as new
3 information subsequently becomes available or in response to positions taken by
4 other parties.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the **Pre-filed Testimony of Annie Baas** has been served upon the below-named counsel via electronic mail, this 3rd day of October 2022.

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