

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Commission’s Review :
of Chapter 4901:1-26, Ohio Case No. 22-0863-EL-ORD
Administrative Code, Regarding Electric :
Companies.

COMMENTS OF AES OHIO

The Dayton Power and Light Company d/b/a AES Ohio (“AES Ohio” or the “Company”) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments regarding the rules in Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 4901:1-26 (Dispute Resolution) and Staff’s proposed revisions to those rules pursuant to the October 5, 2022, Entry in this proceeding. The Company’s comments are set forth below.

Rule 4901:1-26-03 (Mediation)

Staff proposes various changes to Rule 4901:1-26-03 to simplify the process for requesting and conducting mediations under Chapter 4901:1-26. AES Ohio agrees that the detailed requirements in the rule should be streamlined; however, the Company does not agree that the Commission should eliminate a party’s opportunity to respond to another party’s unilateral mediation request. Since the purpose of any mediation is to explore whether voluntary settlement is possible, AES Ohio believes that the Commission should afford parties who do not wish to mediate a chance to explain their position. Doing so can promote administrative economy and further clarify the issues in dispute. The Company, nevertheless, believes that the Commission should be allowed to refer a matter to mediation over a party’s objection if it believes that doing so would be a

valuable exercise, such as for exploring settlement, simplifying the issues, expediting the proceeding, or considering any other matter that might aid in resolving the case.

AES Ohio thanks the Commission for this opportunity and reserves the right to provide additional comments regarding Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 4901:1-26 pursuant to the October 5, 2022, Entry.

Respectfully submitted,

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