

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
OHIO POWER COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY  
TO ESTABLISH A STANDARD SERVICE  
OFFER PURSUANT TO R.C. 4928.143 IN  
THE FORM OF AN ELECTRIC SECURITY  
PLAN.

CASE NO. 23-23-EL-SSO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
OHIO POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL  
OF CERTAIN ACCOUNTING AUTHORITY.

CASE NO. 23-24-EL-AAM

### ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on January 13, 2023

{¶ 1} Ohio Power Company d/b/a AEP Ohio (AEP Ohio or Company) is an electric distribution utility, as defined in R.C. 4928.01(A)(6), and a public utility, as defined under R.C. 4905.02. As such, AEP Ohio is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

{¶ 2} R.C. 4928.141 mandates that an electric distribution utility shall provide a standard service offer (SSO) of all competitive retail electric services necessary to maintain essential electric services to customers, including a firm supply of electric generation service, to all consumers within its certified territory. The SSO may be either a market rate offer in accordance with R.C. 4928.142 or an electric security plan (ESP) in accordance with R.C. 4928.143.

{¶ 3} Most recently, in Case No. 16-1852-EL-SSO et al., the Commission modified and approved, pursuant to stipulation, AEP Ohio's application for its fourth ESP to commence on June 1, 2018, and continue through May 31, 2024, pursuant to R.C. 4928.143. *In re Ohio Power Co.*, Case No. 16-1852-EL-SSO et al., Opinion and Order (Apr. 25, 2018); Second Entry on Rehearing (Aug. 1, 2018).

{¶ 4} On January 6, 2023, AEP Ohio filed an application that, if approved, would establish the Company's fifth ESP for a period to commence on June 1, 2024, and continue

through May 31, 2030. AEP Ohio also filed an application for approval of certain accounting authority to implement aspects of the proposed ESP.

{¶ 5} The attorney examiner finds it appropriate to schedule a technical conference to allow interested persons the opportunity to better understand AEP Ohio's application. The technical conference will be held on February 7, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., in Hearing Room B, at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

{¶ 6} The attorney examiner encourages electronic service of discovery requests and responses, where feasible. Similarly, an attorney serving discovery should attempt to contact the attorney upon whom the request will be served to advise counsel of the forthcoming discovery.

{¶ 7} The procedural schedule, including a local public hearing(s), will be established by subsequent entry.

{¶ 8} It is, therefore,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That the technical conference be held on February 7, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission. It is, further,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That the discovery practices set forth in Paragraph 6 be observed. It is, further,

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

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

/s/Greta See

By: Greta See  
Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry ordering that a technical conference will be held on February 7, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. electronically filed by Heather A. Chilcote on behalf of Greta See, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission