

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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

CASE NO. 22-507-GA-AIR

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC. FOR  
APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE FORM OF  
REGULATION.

CASE NO. 22-508-GA-ALT

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

CASE NO. 22-509-GA-ATA

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

CASE NO. 22-510-GA-AAM

### ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on April 28, 2023

{¶ 1} Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke) is a natural gas company and a public utility as defined by R.C. 4905.03 and R.C. 4905.02, respectively. As such, Duke is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission pursuant to R.C. 4905.04, 4905.05, and 4905.06.

{¶ 2} On June 30, 2022, as amended on September 8, 2022, Duke filed a combined application to increase rates and charges and for approval of an alternative rate plan pursuant to R.C. 4909.18 and R.C. 4929.05, respectively.

{¶ 3} The Commission caused an investigation to be made of the facts set forth in the rate increase application by Duke, the exhibits attached thereto, and other matters connected with the application. On December 21, 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.

{¶ 4} On December 22, 2022, the attorney examiner established a procedural schedule. Thereafter, the attorney examiner granted several requests to adjust the procedural schedule, including rescheduling the evidentiary hearing to be held on May 23, 2023. In response to a motion to modify the procedural schedule filed by Duke, on April 20, 2023, the attorney examiner issued an Entry extending the deadline to file testimony to April 28, 2023.

{¶ 5} On April 28, 2023, Duke filed a joint stipulation and recommendation (Stipulation). All parties except for the Ohio Consumers' Counsel signed the Stipulation.

{¶ 6} The attorney examiner first notes that the date of the evidentiary hearing, May 23, 2023, will remain unchanged. At this time, the attorney examiner directs the parties to observe the following procedural schedule:

- a. All testimony in support of the Stipulation is to be filed by May 4, 2023.
- b. All testimony in opposition to the Stipulation is to be filed by May 12, 2023.
- c. Staff testimony in response to objections is to be filed by May 17, 2023.

{¶ 7} In addition, consistent with Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-16(D) and (E), the response time for supplemental discovery is five calendar days. Unless otherwise agreed to by the parties, discovery requests and replies shall be served by hand delivery or e-mail. An attorney serving a discovery request shall take into account the May 23, 2023 hearing date and attempt to contact, in advance, the attorney upon whom the discovery request will be served to advise the attorney that a request will be forthcoming.

{¶ 8} It is, therefore,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That the procedural schedule be established as set forth in Paragraph 6. It is, further,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That all persons comply with the procedural directives as set forth above in Paragraph 7. It is, further,

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

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

/s/Matthew J. Sandor

By: Matthew J. Sandor  
Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry setting forth the following procedural schedule: testimony in support of Stipulation due May 4, 2023; testimony in opposition to Stipulation due May 12, 2023; and Staff testimony in response to objections due May 17, 2023; and ordering that parties comply with the procedural directives set forth in Paragraph 7 electronically filed by Debbie S. Ryan on behalf of Matthew J. Sandor, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.