BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of The Toledo Edison Company's Experimental Power Curtailment Program.) Case No. 00-590-EL-ATA)
In the Matter of the Application of The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company's Experimental Power Curtailment Program.))) Case No. 00-592-EL-ATA))
In the Matter of the Application of The Ohio Edison Company's Experimental Power Curtailment Program.) Case No. 00-593-EL-ATA)

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) The Applicants, The Toledo Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Ohio Edison Company, are public utilities as defined in Section 4905.02, Revised Code, and, as such, are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- (2) On March 29, 2000, the Applicants petitioned this Commission for approval to amend their Experimental Power Curtailment Programs.
- (3) The programs were approved by this Commission on May 26, 1999. The purpose of the programs was to test customer interest and responsiveness to the opportunity to receive rate credits in exchange for firm load curtailments and to provide retail firm-power-service customers with the opportunity to gain experience with market supply and demand price signals.
- (4) The Applicant is proposing to amend the programs to make participation in the programs available to interruptible customers to broaden the participation of the customers in the programs.

In addition, the programs were amended to allow for an easier understanding of the level that is required for the customer to curtail when participating in the programs.

The program size limit has been increased from 75 customers to 100 customers per company.

- (5) The programs will be offered on an experimental basis through May 31, 2003.
- (6) Except as provided in the proposed programs, all terms, conditions, rates, and charges outlined in the customer's existing rate tariff or contract will continue to apply. Participation in the programs will not affect the customer's obligations for electric service under the existing tariff or contract.
- (7) After a thorough review of the applications, Staff agrees with the proposal and, therefore, has recommended their approval to the Commission.
- (8) These applications have been filed pursuant to Section 4909.18, Revised Code, and the Commission finds, as the Applicants allege, that the applications are not for an increase in any rate, joint rate, toll, classification, charge or rental and do not appear to be unjust or unreasonable and should be approved. Therefore, the Commission finds that it is unnecessary to hold a hearing in this matter.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That, subject to the terms of this Finding and Order, the proposed Experimental Power Curtailment Programs as amended are approved. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the Applicants are authorized to file in final form, four complete printed copies of the new tariffs consistent with the findings of this Finding and Order. One copy shall be filed in this case docket, one copy should be filed with the Applicant's TRF docket, and the remaining two copies shall be designated for distribution to the Commission Staff. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the effective date of the new tariffs shall be a date not earlier than both the date of this Finding and Order and the date upon which the copies of the final tariffs are filed with this Commission. The new tariffs shall be effective for services rendered on or after such effective date. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the Applicants shall provide to the Staff the proposed notice and shall notify all customers affected by the application pursuant to Rule 4901:1-1-03, Ohio Administrative Code. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the Applicants provide a report to the Commission in January and July, that includes the participating customer names, dates, times, and duration of curtailment, and the amount of credits and charges that were made to each of the customers. It is, further,

ORDERED, That nothing in this Finding and Order shall be binding upon this Commission in any future proceeding or investigation involving the justness or reasonableness of any rate, charge, rule, or regulation. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon the Applicants.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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