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BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO SEP 13 1996

Application Not for an Increase in Rates  
pursuant to Section 4909:18 Revised Code  
DOCKETING DIVISION  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

In the Matter of The Application ]  
of Ohio Power Company for Authority ]  
to Continue the Availability of its ]  
Minimum Billing Demand Rider. ]

Case No. 96- 987 -EL-ATA

1. APPLICANT RESPECTFULLY PROPOSES: (Check applicable proposals)

- ☐ New Service ☐ Change in Rule or Regulation  
☐ New Classification ☐ Reduction in Rates  
☐ Change in Classification ☐ Correction of Error  
☒ Other, not involving increase in rates  
☐ Various related and unrelated textual revision, without  
change in intent

2. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: In order to promote continued economic growth in Ohio, the Company proposes to continue the availability of its Minimum Billing Demand Rider previously approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio in Case No. 93-2093-EL-ATA. The continuation would extend the availability of the Rider from December, 1996 through December, 1998.

3. TARIFFS AFFECTED: (If more than 2, use additional sheets)

<u>P.U.C.O. No. 16</u>	<u>P.U.C.O. No.</u>
Tariff Title	Tariff Title
SCHEDULE MBDR (Minimum Billing Demand Rider)	
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4. Attached hereto and made a part hereof are: (Check applicable Exhibits)

  X   Exhibit A - existing schedule sheets (to be superseded) if applicable

  X   Exhibit B - proposed schedule sheets

       Exhibit C-1

(a) if new service is proposed, describe;


(b) if new equipment is involved, describe (preferably with a picture, brochure, etc.) and where appropriate, a statement distinguishing proposed service from existing services;

(c) if proposed service results from customer requests, so state, giving if available, the number and type of customers requesting proposed service.

       Exhibit C-2 - if a change of classification, rule or regulation is proposed, a statement explaining reason for change.

  X   Exhibit C-3 - statement explaining reason for any proposal not covered in Exhibits C-1 or C-2.

5. This application will not result in an increase in any rate, joint rate, toll, classification, charge or rental.
6. Applicant respectfully requests the Commission to permit the filing of the proposed schedule sheets, to become effective on the date, subsequent to filing, to be shown on the proposed schedule sheets which will be filed with the Commission; and to be in the form of the schedule sheets in Exhibit B, modified by any further revisions that have become effective prior to the effective date of the proposed schedule sheets.

  
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SCHEDULE MBDR  
(Minimum Billing Demand Rider)

The MEASUREMENT AND DETERMINATION OF DEMAND sections of Schedules GS-2, GS-3, GS-4, and I.R.P. each contain, in addition to other provisions, the following provision: "The monthly billing demand shall in no event be less than \* % of the greater of (a) the customer's contract capacity... or (b) the customer's highest previously established monthly billing demand during the past 11 months..."

In order to encourage economic growth, the customer, upon prior written application received and accepted by the Company, may elect to incur in any billing month through December 1996, billing demands higher than the customer's contract capacity or highest previously established monthly billing demand during the term of the contract. Such written notice shall be made no later than the first day of the calendar month preceding the billing month for which application of the Rider is requested. When such application is made and acceptance given, such higher monthly billing demand shall not be used in the calculation, made pursuant to clause (b) above, of any bill rendered for any subsequent month during the remaining term of the contract. No other contract or schedule change or modification will be made hereunder.

The written application by the customer to the Company shall specify the number of KW desired to be taken in excess of the existing contract capacity, the reason for the amount of such KW overrun and the months during which the overrun is anticipated to be made.

The Company will have sole responsibility for determining whether the Company's facilities are adequate to meet the increased load and whether the characteristics of the increased load might be disruptive to the Company's other customers. If the Company's facilities are deemed by the Company to be inadequate or insufficient to serve the load for any reason, the customer will be required to pay all costs to improve the facilities as necessary whether such improvements are temporary or permanent in nature.

\* percentage is specified in each schedule

Filed pursuant to Order No. 94-996-EL-AIR dated March 23, 1995.

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Issued by  
Carl A. Erikson, President  
Columbus, Ohio

OHIO POWER COMPANY

Exhibit B

1st Revised Sheet No. 23  
Cancels Original Sheet No. 23

P.U.C.O. No. 16

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SCHEDULE MBDR  
(Minimum Billing Demand Rider)

The "Monthly Billing Demand" sections of Schedules GS-2, GS-3, GS-4, and I.R.P. each contain, in addition to other provisions, the following provision: "... monthly billing demand established hereunder shall not be less than 60% of the greater of (a) the customer's contract capacity... or (b) the customer's highest previously established monthly billing demand during the past 11 months..."

In order to encourage economic growth, the customer, upon prior written application received and accepted by the Company, may elect to incur in any billing month through December 1998, billing demands higher than the customer's contract capacity or highest previously established monthly billing demand during the term of the contract. Such written notice shall be made no later than the first day of the calendar month preceding the billing month for which application of the Rider is requested. When such application is made and acceptance given, such higher monthly billing demand shall not be used in the calculation, made pursuant to clause (b) above, of any bill rendered for any subsequent month during the remaining term of the contract. No other contract or schedule change or modification will be made hereunder.

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Marsha P. Ryan, Vice President  
Columbus, Ohio

Indications are that Ohio Power Company's Minimum Billing Demand Rider approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio in Case No. 93-2093-EL-ATA is having a beneficial impact within the Company's service territory. Customers taking service on the Company's Schedules GS-2, GS-3, GS-4 and IRP are able to accept additional business orders which, but for the Rider, would not have been economical to accept. This additional business activity benefits Ohio's economy by promoting a broader employment base. In addition, the increased load enabled the Company to more fully utilize its existing capacity.

The Company believes that extension of the Rider through 1998 will continue to aid in the promotion of economic growth in its service territory. The Company is therefore proposing to continue the Minimum Billing Demand Rider, which modifies the Monthly Billing Demand section of Schedules GS-2, GS-3, GS-4 and IRP. The proposed continuation would enable customers, after proper notice to the Company, to incur in any billing month through December, 1998, monthly billing demands higher than the customer's contract capacity or highest previously established monthly billing demand. The higher demand incurred during the period would not be used in the calculation of any bill rendered for any subsequent month during the remaining term of the customer's contract.

Customers would have to apply for service under the proposed Rider in writing to the Company no later than the first calendar day of the month preceding the billing month for which application is made. Such applications would have to meet the requirements delineated in the proposed Rider.