

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Strategic Energy L.L.C. for Renewal of its Certification as a Retail Electric Service Provider. ) Case No. 00-1758-EL-CRS )

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On October 1, 2004, Strategic Energy L.L.C. (Strategic) filed an application for renewal of its certification as a competitive retail electric service (CRES) provider. On October 14, 2004, Strategic filed a motion for a protective order to keep Exhibit C-3 (financial statements), Exhibit C-4 (financial arrangements) and Exhibit C-5 (forecasted financial statements) confidential and not part of the public record.
(2) In its motion, Strategic states that the information contained in Exhibits C-3, C-4, and C-5 contains confidential financial statements, arrangements, and forecasts and that such information is generally not disclosed to the public. Strategic also contends that disclosure of this information could give competitors an advantage that would hinder Strategic's ability to compete. In addition, Strategic argues that public disclosure of this information is not likely to assist the Commission in carrying out its duties under the Commission's CRES rules.
(3) Upon review of Strategic's motion, the examiner finds that, pursuant to Rule 4901-1-24(D), Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), Strategic's request for a protective order to maintain under seal Exhibits C-3, C-4, and C-5 should be granted. Therefore, pursuant to Rule 4901-1-24(F), O.A.C., this protective order will automatically expire 18 months after the date of its issuance. Extensions of the protective order may be requested by filing an appropriate motion at least 45 days in advance of the expiration date of the existing order. Accordingly, the docketing division should maintain under seal the information set forth in Exhibits C-3, C-4, and C-5 of Strategic's renewal application for a period of 18 months from the date of this entry.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That Strategic's motion for a protective order be granted. It is, further,

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ORDERED, That the docketing division continue to maintain under seal the information set forth in Exhibits C-3, C-4, and C-5 of Strategic's renewal application for a period of 18 months from the date of this entry. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry should be served upon all parties of record.

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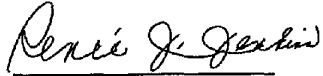


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