

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Commission's )  
Investigation of Ohio's Retail Electric ) Case No. 12-3151-EL-COI  
Service Market. )

ENTRY

The legal director finds:

- (1) On December 12, 2012, the Commission issued an entry initiating an investigation into Ohio's retail electric service market, which established deadlines for interested parties to file initial comments by January 30, 2013, and reply comments by February 15, 2013.
- (2) On December 24, 2012, a joint motion for an extension of deadlines for initial and reply comments and a request for an expedited ruling was filed by Industrial Energy Users-Ohio, Ohio Energy Group, Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy, Ohio Poverty Law Center, Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council, and the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (collectively referred to as "Joint Movants"). In their motion, Joint Movants contend that additional time is needed to address and respond to the questions posed by the Commission. Specifically, Joint Movants assert that, due to the "monumental" scope of the Commission's investigation, the holidays, and the Joint Movants' involvement with other Commission proceedings, a 30-day extension is needed on the initial comments, as well as 30 days to prepare and file reply comments. Joint Movants propose that the deadlines for initial comments should be extended to March 1, 2013, and reply comments extended to April 1, 2013. On December 26, 2012, a Commission Entry denied this request.
- (3) However, the Commission, on its own motion, has now determined that additional time may be needed due to the scope and magnitude of the issues presented. Additionally, the Commission notes that many of the Joint Movants and intervenors in this case are involved with other significant Commission cases where the procedural schedules were

recently extended. As such, the Commission now finds that an extension to the current comment period is appropriate.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That all parties wishing to address the questions set forth in the Commission Entry filed on December 12, 2012, file initial comments no later than March 1, 2013, and reply comments on March 29, 2013. It is, further,

ORDERED, That notice of this entry be served upon all electric utilities, all certified competitive retail electric service providers, all governmental aggregators providing retail electric service, and all other interested parties via the Commission's electric-energy electric list serve and its 08-888 list serve.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

s/ Elizabeth C. Stevens

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By: Elizabeth C. Stevens  
Legal Director

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry ordering parties wishing to address the questions set forth in the Commission Entry filed on December 12, 2012, file initial comments no later than March 1, 2013, and reply comments on March 29, 2013, electronically filed by Vesta R Miller on behalf of Elizabeth C. Stevens, Legal Director, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio