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Statewide

OMAEG Submits Comments in EV Charging Investigation (Case No. 22-1025-AU-COI)

Summary: In November 2022, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) initiated an investigation to consider adopting a new electric vehicle (EV) charging standard pursuant to the 2021 federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

The OMAEG submitted [comments](#), stating that adopting the EV charging standard could benefit Ohio's commercial and industrial customers if implemented correctly. The OMAEG explained that the standard should facilitate "smart charging" electric rates, which would incentivize off-peak EV charging and reduce electricity consumption during periods of high demand.

Additionally, the OMAEG urged the PUCO to require investor-owned utilities (EDUs) to publish "hosting capacity" maps to facilitate competitive and cost-effective development of charging infrastructure. Most importantly, OMAEG urged the PUCO to adopt the EV charging standard in a way that facilitates competitive installation of customer-owned infrastructure, ensures charging stations are treated as a competitive service, and does not subsidize EDUs.

Other parties also supported adopting the new EV charging standard. Many advocated that EDUs should have only a limited role in the electrification of the transportation sector, and that any EV charging programs must be implemented in a fully competitive manner.

AES

AES Increases Infrastructure Investment Rider (IIR) (Case No. 22-477-EL-RDR)

Summary: The IIR increased to 4.5330% of base distribution charges from 2.7390% of base distribution charges for all customers.

Centerpoint Energy (formerly Vectren)

Centerpoint Decreases Default SCO

Summary: Based on recent competitive auctions, the default service rate for natural gas decreased to \$0.43966/Ccf from \$0.61086/Ccf. Although the default rate decreased, customers should continue to check their competitive supplier contracts before choosing not to shop and switching to the SCO.

Columbia Gas

Columbia Decreases Default Standard Choice Offer (SCO) Rate (Case No. 89-8003-GA-TRF)

Summary: Based on recent competitive auctions, Columbia decreased its default service rate for natural gas to \$0.47590/Ccf from \$0.6359/Ccf. Although the default rate is decreasing, customers should continue to check their competitive supplier contracts before choosing not to shop and switching to the SCO.

Duke

Duke Updates Electric Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) Rider, Creates Gas Rider (Case Nos. 89-6002-EL-TRF and 89-8002-GA-TRF)

Summary: The TCJA credit decreased to 2.69% of a customer's applicable base distribution charges, from 5.09% of a customer's applicable base distribution charges for electric service. The credit refunds the electric distribution share of benefits resulting from the TCJA of 2017, and it applies to all customer classes except for transmission voltage service customers.

The TCJA credit for natural gas service is established at \$1.52 per month for Small General Service customers, and \$6.16 per month for Large General Service customers.