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AEP Ohio

AEP Data Center Hearing Resumes (Case No. 24-508-EL-ATA)

Summary: This week, cross-examination of AEP Ohio's Vice President of Regulatory Affairs revealed the Company's lack of good faith bargaining and failure to conduct any analysis on how customers will be impacted by AEP Ohio's unreasonable and unlawful data center tariff proposal. Cross-examination of AEP Ohio's second witness revealed the Company's discriminatory arrangement with Intel, which permits Intel to avoid the additional financial burdens imposed by the data center tariff *and* to sell excess capacity to data centers on its own terms. Another AEP-aligned witness admitted that she had not performed any analysis to determine the impact of the AEP Ohio tariff proposal on Ohio's economic competitiveness or on customer rates, despite claiming that the AEP Ohio tariff is more favorable to customers and the State than the customer coalition tariff proposal.

AEP Updates Riders (Case No. 89-6007-EL-TRF)

Summary: Effective January 1, 2025, AEP will increase several riders as follows for non-residential customers:

- The gridSMART Rider will increase to \$17.53 per month from \$17.12 per month for nonresidential customers; and
- The Distribution Investment Rider will increase to 23.63101% of a customer's distribution charges from 21.11760% of a customer's distribution charges, effective December 1, 2024.

AEP Increases Default Standard Service Offer (SSO) Rate

Summary: Based on recent competitive auctions, the default service rate for AEP increased to \$0.0778/kWh from \$0.07610/kWh, effective January 1, 2025.

AES

AES Updates Riders (Case Nos. 89-6004-EL-TRF, et al.)

Summary: Effective January 1, 2025, the following riders have been adjusted for all non-residential customer classes:

- The Infrastructure Investment Rider will increase to 10.1090% of base distribution charges from 4.8660% of base distribution charges; and
- The Distribution Investment Rider will increase to 14.8385% of base distribution charges from 8.6903% of base distribution charges.

FirstEnergy

Procedural Schedule Set for House Bill 6 Audit Proceedings (Case Nos. 17-974-EL-UNC, et al.)

Summary: The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) scheduled May 13, 2025 as the hearing date for the consolidated Rider DMR, DCR, and corporate separation audit proceedings.

The FirstEnergy Utilities Decreased Default SSO Rates

Summary: Based on recent competitive auctions, the default service rate for the three FirstEnergy utilities decreased as follows: the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company's SSO rate decreased to \$0.079922/kWh from \$0.0856/kWh; Ohio Edison's SSO rate decreased to \$0.079877/kWh from \$0.0818/kWh; and Toledo Edison's SSO rate decreased to \$0.080422/kWh from \$0.0825/kWh, effective January 1, 2025.

Columbia

Columbia Increases Default Standard Choice Offer (SCO) Rate

Summary: Based on recent competitive auctions, the default service rate for Columbia increased to \$0.5174/ccf from \$0.5091/ccf, effective December 31, 2024.

CenterPoint Energy (Vectren)

CenterPoint Increases Default SCO Rate

Summary: Based on recent competitive auctions, the default service rate for CenterPoint increased to \$0.5060/ccf from \$0.4971/ccf, effective January 1, 2025.