



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 4901:5-19-05 Actions taken upon declaration of an energy emergency.

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(A) Voluntary curtailment. Upon declaration of an energy emergency by the governor, the following provisions shall be applicable:

(1) Each electric provider that has not imposed mandatory curtailments under its emergency curtailment plan shall increase its efforts to effect voluntary conservation, by all consumers, of at least twenty-five per cent of all nonpriority use of electricity.

(2) Each electric provider shall implement a public appeals campaign through news media to its consumers, making appropriate suggestions for achieving usage reductions.

(3) Each electric provider shall issue periodic bulletins informing consumers of how consumers should respond if it becomes necessary to initiate mandatory curtailment of electric energy, updates of the fuel supply level, and how consumers may substantiate a claim for priority use, as defined in rule 4901:5-19-01 of the Administrative Code.

(4) Each electrical provider shall report to the commission the anticipated and actual load in kilowatt-hours consumed and estimates of fuel savings resulting from load reduction or other measures as part of the report of electrical supply adequacy described in paragraph (E) of rule 4901:5-19-02 of the Administrative Code.

(5) The commission may consult with the appropriate independent system operator, regional transmission organization, independent consultant, or other outside entities and may encourage all electric providers to purchase and to share energy among themselves to aid in alleviating existing energy shortages and to prevent even more severe future energy shortages.

(6) All electric providers and electric power producers shall reduce internal consumption of electric energy to the maximum degree possible, consistent with safe, efficient operation. The use of electricity on premises, including parking and large area lighting and interior lighting, shall be



curtailed, except lighting essential for security or safety.

(7) When it is determined that such action is appropriate, the governor or the commission may consult with the director of the Ohio environmental protection agency, the appropriate independent system operator, regional transmission organization, any other oversight agency, independent consultant, or other outside entities. At such time, the governor or the commission may:

(a) Request authorization from the proper authorities to curtail use of pollution control facilities.

(b) Request authorization from the proper authorities to burn nonconforming coal in order to maximize use of the remaining stockpiles.

(c) Request industry to utilize industrial-owned generation equipment to supplement utility generation to the maximum extent possible.

(8) The governor may consult with the appropriate independent system operator, regional transmission organization, independent consultant, or other outside entities and, if the governor deems it appropriate, may order electric power producers with greater fuel supplies to increase sales of electric energy.

(B) During an energy emergency, the governor may order mandatory curtailment of the use of electricity after consultation with the commission and the appropriate independent system operator, regional transmission organization, independent consultant, or other outside entities.