Career Opportunity

Senior Regulatory Analyst

The advocate for Ohio residential utility consumers, the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC or Agency), seeks a Senior Regulatory Analyst with an expert understanding of utility regulation for the consumer protection services in its Analytical Services Department. This is an excellent opportunity to help Ohioans, regarding their electric, natural gas, telephone, and water utility services. At OCC, we put Consumers First.

Since 1976, OCC has advocated on behalf of Ohio utility consumers for reasonable utility bills and reliable utility service. OCC has achieved significant savings for consumers in avoided utility charges, helped to create assistance programs for at-risk (including low-income) consumers, and worked to establish other consumer protections. OCC has educated thousands of utility consumers about their utility choices and ways to save money on their utility bills.

The Senior Regulatory Analyst should be someone who excels in both teamwork and independent work. The Analyst will provide advice to the Consumers’ Counsel and Deputy Consumers’ Counsel, when requested. The Analyst will research and analyze utility operations related to cost-of-service studies, revenue allocation methodologies, and rate design. The Analyst will review single-issue ratemaking filings by utilities that result in rider charges to consumers. The Analyst will be responsible for performing financial analyses of utilities. The Analyst will draft written requests for utility information and other data. The Analyst will perform analysis of impacts on consumers’ utility bills regarding utility filings at the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Department of Energy, and the Federal Communications Commission. The Analyst may testify and be cross-examined in regulatory proceedings. Other duties can be assigned as needed to protect consumers.

The Analyst will be responsible for writing requests for proposals, including work requirements, to solicit consultant work products. The Analyst will assist with functionally supervising consultants for this work.

The Analyst will provide analysis and consumer protection recommendations concerning utility-related legislation at the Ohio Legislature. The Analyst will assist with responses to inquiries from the Legislature (and from the general public), including inquiries about constituents’ utility issues. The Analyst may prepare and/or present expert testimony to the Legislature.

Salary is negotiable within state government standards, commensurate with education and experience. The Senior Regulatory Analyst must have, from an accredited institution, a bachelor’s degree in business administration, accounting, finance or economics or other related degree with a masters’ degree preferred and a minimum of 10 years or equivalent experience in public utility regulation. A working knowledge of rules, processes, utility regulation, and utility consumer issues is required. Excellence in analysis and the ability to communicate technical issues in an understandable and persuasive way are needed. A thorough knowledge of Microsoft Office programs (including Excel, Word, PowerPoint, and Outlook), online research, and other
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technology used in consumer advocacy is expected. The Analyst should have a willingness to work more than 40 hours per week as needed for consumer advocacy.

Please apply for this position using the Ohio Hiring Management System (OHMS) link: Sr. Regulatory Analyst Posting. Please include your resume, cover letter and salary requirements with your application. Applications will only be accepted via OHMS, without phone calls until October 20, 2020.