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In re: Case Nos. 09-1820-EL-ATA, 09-1821-EL-GRD, 09-1822-EL-EEC and 09-1823-EL-AAM

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find enclosed an original and twenty (20) copies of MOTION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE AND MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF THE OHIO ENERGY GROUP to be filed in the above-referenced matter.

Copies have been served on all parties on the attached certificate of service. Please place this document of file.

Respectfully yours,

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In The Matter Of The Application Of Ohio Edison : Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating : Company And The Toledo Edison Company For : Approval Of Ohio Site Deployment of the Smart : Grid Modernization Initiative and Timely Recovery : of Associated Costs :

THE OHIO ENERGY GROUP'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

Pursuant to the Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-1-11, the Ohio Energy Group. ("OEG") moves for leave to intervene in this proceeding. The Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission") should grant OEG leave to intervene because OEG has a real and substantial interest in the proceeding, and the Commission's disposition of this proceeding may impair or impede OEG's ability to protect that interest.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF THE OHIO ENERGY GROUP'S MOTION TO INTERVENE

Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-01-11, the Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission") should grant The OEG Co. ("OEG") leave to intervene in this proceeding.

OEG is a non-profit entity organized to represent the interests of large industrial customers in electric and gas regulatory proceedings before the Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission"). OEG's members who are participating in this intervention are: Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., AK Steel Corporation, Aleris International, Inc., Alcoa Inc., ArcelorMittal USA, BP-Husky Refining, LLC, Brush Wellman, Inc., Charter Steel, Chrysler LLC, E.I. DuPont deNemours & Company, Ford Motor Company, Johns Manville, Linde, Inc., North Star BlueScope Steel, LLC, PPG Industries, Inc., Republic Engineered Products, Inc., Sunoco, Inc. (R&M) and Worthington Industries. These companies purchase electric distribution services from First Energy. Therefore, the interests of OEG's members may be directly affected by the outcome of this proceeding. OEG intends to play a constructive role in this case and provide information which will assist the Commission.

No other party to this proceeding can adequately represent OEG's interest. Intervention would not unduly delay the proceeding nor unjustly prejudice any existing party.

Accordingly, OEG has a real and substantial interest and is entitled to intervene in this action under Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-1-11.

Respectfully submitted,

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