## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Complaint of Jason M. Hebert,	) ) )	
Complainant,	) )	•
v.	) )	Case No. 11-5990-EL-CSS
The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company,	) ) )	
Respondent.	)	
	ENTRY	

## The Commission finds:

- (1) On December 19, 2011, Jason M. Hebert (complainant) filed a complaint against the respondent, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (CEI), which alleges that CEI's live electrical wire dislodged from a pole, landed on the complainant's property, and erupted into an electrical fire that damaged the complainant's driveway.
- (2) CEI filed an answer to the complaint on January 9, 2012, by which it admits that, on August 7, 2011, a power line at the complainant's address became disconnected and fell onto his asphalt driveway. In its answer, the respondent further admits that, on the same date, it dispatched a crew to the complainant's property, that the crew discovered the line was burning and worked to repair the line as quickly and safely as possible, and that the complainant's driveway sustained damage before the line could be de-energized.
- (3) A prehearing settlement conference was originally scheduled for May 17, 2012. It was postponed and rescheduled several times. In the meantime, the parties engaged in ongoing informal settlement negotiations.
- (4) On August 8, 2012, the complainant filed a motion to dismiss the complaint with prejudice, stating that the parties have reached a settlement in this proceeding.

(5) The Commission finds that the motion to dismiss with prejudice is reasonable and should be granted. Accordingly, the complaint should be dismissed.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That this complaint be dismissed with prejudice and closed of record. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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