## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Ohio

Edison Company, The Cleveland electric

Illuminating Company, and The Toledo

Edison Company for Approval of Their

Energy Efficiency and Peak Demand

Reduction Program Portfolio Plans for

2013 to 2015.

Case Nos. 12-2190-EL-POR

12-2191-EL-POR

12-2192-EL-POR

### **OBJECTIONS**

## SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

Pursuant to Rule 4901:1-39-04(D), O.A.C., the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Staff") respectfully submits the following objections to Ohio Edison Company's, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company's, and The Toledo Edison Company's (collectively, "FirstEnergy" or "Companies") energy efficiency and peak demand reduction portfolio filing of July 31, 2012. These objections are based upon the information currently available to Staff. Because Staff is still performing its investigation in this matter, Staff reserves the right to modify, amend, or withdraw these objections at a later time if necessary.

- 1. The Companies did not develop their current programs based on direct input from their retail distribution C&I customers that have either participated or withdrawn from the Companies' current prescriptive programs. The Companies should have surveyed both participating and non-participating EE customers to receive customer input and make appropriate changes to the Companies' proposed programs based upon this input.
- With regards to the timeline for when C&I customers actually 2. receive their rebates, the Companies do not have definite deadlines. The Companies need to establish definite deadlines for when

customers' applications for C&I rebates should be received by the Companies and definite deadlines for when the Companies have to deliver rebates to customers after completed applications are received.

- 3. The Companies need to have an incentive and/or penalty mechanism for those commercial and industrial customers who elect to have an audit performed. In addition, the Companies or their representative contractors should stay in close contact with customers who have had audits performed and follow up with these customers soon after the audits are completed.
- 4. The EE budgets for the Ohio Edison Company's and the Illuminating Company's C&I EE Equipment Program Large Customers are not proportional to the amount budgeted to be spent in the Toledo Edison's service territory relative to the Mwh consumed in this category.
- 5. Information regarding EE applications and rebates is not easy to locate on the Companies' website. This may deter customer participation. The Companies should make their website more "user friendly" with respect to finding information on their EE programs and rebates.
- 6. The Companies should bid their capacity savings from their EE programs in the prior year and planned years into the PJM BRA and other appropriate PJM incremental auctions. Capacity revenues received from the EE programs in the PJM auctions should be credited toward the appropriate energy efficiency riders.

Respectfully Submitted,

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the forgoing Objections submitted on by the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio was served via electronic mail upon the following parties of record, this 17th day of September, 2012.

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