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     In the Matter of the
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    of Ohio Edison Company,
    The Cleveland Electric
    Illuminating Company, The : Case No. 12-2190-EL-POR
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Friday Morning Session,

October 26, 2012.

EXAMINER PRICE: Let's go on the record.

Good morning. The Public Utilities

Commission has set for hearing at this time and

place, Case Nos. 12-2190-EL-POR, et al., being

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 Portfolio

Plans for 2013 through 2015.

My name is Gregory Price. With me is Mandy Willey Chiles. We are the attorney examiners assigned to preside over today's hearing. We will dispense with appearances, as has been our practice since the first day.

Do we have any preliminary matters we wish to address before we take our first witness?

Mr. Allwein.

MR. ALLWEIN: Thank you, your Honors. We wanted to ask the Bench about any ruling on our motion for local public hearings in these cases.

EXAMINER PRICE: We are prepared to rule on that at this time. Your motion will be denied.

MR. ALLWEIN: Thank you, your Honor.

And I have another issue to bring up, and that is, I would like to move for judicial notice of the affidavit of John Dargie, a witness in this case, regarding Ohio Edison's meeting the cumulative benchmarks for 2011 but not meeting them in an incremental way.

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I believe the issues of cumulative and incremental are going to be discussed at length today. We've discussed this affidavit earlier in the proceeding. I have copies for everybody, for those who would like to see a copy, and I request jud -- that the Bench take judicial notice of this affidavit for those reasons.

EXAMINER PRICE: FirstEnergy.

MS. KOLICH: Thank you, your Honor. The company opposes such a request on several grounds. First of all, I do not expect to discuss cumulative versus incremental at length today.

Secondly, Mr. Dargie was on the stand on Monday. This is Friday. If there were concerns about the understanding -- or the companies' understanding or Mr. Dargie's understanding of those issues, they should have been brought up while he was on the stand. Moreover, what I believe -- I'm not

quite sure what point counsel wants to make, but in the daily transcripts for -- for Volume I, which was taken on Monday, the 22nd, on page 96 the issue of the companies' achieving their targets and which targets they achieved in each of the years and which ones they did not was specifically addressed in the redirect of Mr. Dargie where he clarified that which targets were, in fact, met and which ones weren't.

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So there is no need to take judicial notice of the information requested because it's already in the record.

EXAMINER PRICE: Thank you.

Mr. Allwein, FirstEnergy brings up a good point. Mr. Dargie was on the stand. Why didn't you just introduce the affidavit at that time?

MR. ALLWEIN: I did not have a copy of it with me at that time, and I guess in the midst of the proceedings I simply didn't think to make the request at that time, but in preparation for today, I realized that, in my opinion, Ms. Kolich disagrees with me that this is going to be an issue today as well. And I just believe this affidavit does demonstrate that the company has an understanding of the benchmarks in both a cumulative measure and in an incremental measure, and I think it will be helpful

for today's discussion, as well as -- as it was for Mr. Dargie's discussion.

MS. KOLICH: May I respond?

EXAMINER PRICE: You may.

MS. KOLICH: I believe the clarity of the record when I bring up issues with regard to cumulative versus incremental is my responsibility, and while I appreciate counsel's concerns, I believe it's within the discretion of the company how they want to present their case and what information they believe is necessary to make their case.

EXAMINER PRICE: I understand.

We are going to go ahead -- we are going to go ahead and take administrative notice of this document. The companies will have an opportunity on Tuesday to explain, rebut any statements within the document, and if it's unnecessary because it's not an issue coming out of our cross-examination, it won't be necessary.

MS. KOLICH: Do we have a copy of that?

EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Allwein is going to

22 mark it now and we are going to --

MR. ALLWEIN: Would you like me to mark this as a Sierra Club exhibit?

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                 MR. ALLWEIN: Okay.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Or NRDC, I don't care.
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: Well, it doesn't matter.
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     I'll mark it as a Natural Resources Defense Council
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    exhibit.
                 MS. KOLICH: Is it being admitted on
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    behalf of Sierra Club or NRDC?
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: Well, it's all about NRDC,
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: NRDC Exhibit number?
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: 3.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: 3, thank you. It will
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                 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: The Bench would like a
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    copy, but most importantly, the court reporter needs
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: Indeed.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: There is only one key
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    person in the room, and it's the court reporter.
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    witness?
                 MS. KERN: I can raise it now.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: That's fine, Ms. Kern.
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MS. KERN: OCC would like the opportunity to file surrebuttal to the companies' rebuttal testimony. We obviously don't know if it's necessary yet and won't know until we see the companies' rebuttal.

Understanding that it's within the discretion of the attorney examiners to allow such surrebuttal, and it has been allowed in the past, we would just request that we would have that opportunity if it's necessary. Thank you.

EXAMINER PRICE: Thank you. Your request is noted, but we will defer ruling on that until we have a more definitive request.

Anything else?

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MS. KOLICH: Yes, your Honor. Companies recognize we have made several commitments to provide the Bench and the parties with certain information. The companies intend to do that on Tuesday during the presentation of witnesses in their rebuttal case.

EXAMINER PRICE: Thank you. That will be fine. Okay.

Yes, sir.

MR. KELTER: Just to make sure we've got this right, your Honor, I wanted to clarify when the rebuttal testimony is going to be filed.

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MS. KOLICH: I believe we made a
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    commitment to get it out by noon on Monday.
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                 MR. KELTER: That's what I thought, too,
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    but I just wanted to make sure.
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                 MS. KOLICH: It's on the record.
                 EXAMINER PRICE: It's on the record now.
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                 We'll fix that on the next break.
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                 (Discussion off the record.)
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. Let's go back on
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    the record.
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                 At this time we will take our first
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    witness.
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                 Mr. Allwein.
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: Your Honors, I call Dylan
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    Sullivan, staff scientist for the Natural Resources
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    Defense Council to the stand.
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                 (Witness sworn.)
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Please state your name
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    and business address for the record.
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                 THE WITNESS: My name is Dylan Sullivan.
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    My business address is 2 North Riverside Plaza, 2250,
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    Chicago, Illinois 60606.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Thank you.
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                 Please proceed, Mr. Allwein.
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: Your Honors, I request,
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    please, that you mark the following exhibit entitled
     "Direct Testimony of Dylan Sullivan" as NRD --
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    Natural Resources Defense Council Exhibit 4.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: So marked.
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                 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: And I ask that you please
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    mark the exhibit entitled "Supplemental Testimony of
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    Dylan Sullivan on behalf of the Natural Resources
    Defense Council" as Exhibit 5.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: So marked.
                 MR. ALLWEIN: NRDC Exhibit 5, sorry.
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                         DYLAN SULLIVAN
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    being first duly sworn, as prescribed by law, was
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    examined and testified as follows:
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    By Mr. Allwein:
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                Mr. Sullivan, good morning.
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            A. Good morning.
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                 Could you please state your name,
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                 My name is Dylan Sullivan, and I'm a
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     staff scientist.
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Q. And can you also state your business address, please.

EXAMINER PRICE: He did that for me.

MR. ALLWEIN: Oh, he did already? I'm sorry.

- Q. Can you please describe the exhibit that's just recently been marked as NRDC Exhibit No. 4, please.
- A. That's my direct testimony and attachments.
- Q. And can you please identify the exhibit that's just been marked as NRDC Exhibit 5, please.
 - A. That's my supplemental testimony.
- Q. All right. And in both cases, the testimony in both of these documents, was that prepared by you or under your direction?
 - A. Yes, it was.
- Q. Do you have any corrections or updates that you would like to make to either of your testimonies this morning? And for the record, please let us know which document you are referring to specifically.
- A. I have a few grammatical changes in my direct testimony, and one to reflect a discussion that we had in our deposition on the original direct

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- Q. On the original direct testimony?
- A. I'm sorry, the direct testimony, NRDC Exhibit 4.
 - Q. Okay. Can you walk us through those changes, please.
 - A. Sure. Page 1, line 23, after "American Electric Power-Ohio," I have parentheses and then "the Companies or." That should be deleted so that the parenthetical just reads "AEP-Ohio."
- On page 17, line 22, in the middle of the line there, there's "Company's." That apostrophe should be removed.

And then the more substantive change is on page 18, line 10. That sentence says "shared savings mechanism." There should be a comma instead of a period, and then the new text says "unless such projects go beyond business' usual levels of efficiency."

MS. KOLICH: I'm sorry, I missed that reference.

THE WITNESS: Page 18, line 10.

MS. KOLICH: Got it.

Q. And then can you repeat the modification, please?

Sure, "unless such projects go beyond 1 Α. business' usual levels of efficiency." 2 And that is all. 3 That's all the changes to your direct 4 Q. 5 testimony? 6 Α. Yes. And do you have any changes in your 7 Q. 8 supplemental testimony? 9 No, I do not. Α. 10 All right. Now, if I were to ask you the Q. 11 same questions that appear in your testimony today 12 under oath, would your answers be the same, noting 13 the corrections that you just described? 14 Yes, they would be. Α. 15 And that is for both the direct testimony Q. 16 and the supplemental testimony? 17 Α. Yes. Thank you. 18 MR. ALLWEIN: 19 Your Honor, I now present this witness 20 for cross-examination. 21 EXAMINER PRICE: Thank you.

MR. OLIKER: Excuse me, your Honor, has the supplemental testimony been marked?

EXAMINER PRICE: Yes.

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MR. OLIKER: Did I miss that?

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EXAMINER PRICE: Yes. If I was not
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    clear, it was NRDC 5.
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                 MS. LOUCAS: No questions, your Honor.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Consumers' counsel.
                 MS. KERN: No questions, your Honor.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: OEG.
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                 MS. KYLER: No questions, your Honor.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: ELPC.
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                 MR. VICKERS: No questions, your Honor.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: IEU-Ohio.
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                 MR. OLIKER: No questions, your Honor.
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                 EnerNOC.
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                 MR. POULOS: No questions, your Honor.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE:
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                 MS. MOONEY: No questions, your Honor.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Company.
                 MS. KOLICH: Yes, thank you, your Honor.
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                 Before we start cross-examination, I
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    would like to make two motions to strike, the first
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    one regarding Attachment 2 to Mr. Sullivan's
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    10, line 19, and the document marked as Attachment 2
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    is Industrial Energy Improvement prepared for the
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    Energy Trust of Oregon by Navigant Consulting.
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Now, the reference on page 10, line 19, I am not moving to strike; however, I am moving to strike the supporting document. In the introduction which -- it's not numbered, but it's -- well, first page of text, apparently there is an Energy Trust of Oregon that is operating an Industrial Energy Improvement pilot program through Strategic Energy Group, which sounds like a program administrator.

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This report apparently takes whatever Energy Trust of Oregon and/or Strategic Energy Group told Navigant, who prepared the report, provided the information to Navigant on which this report is based.

I believe this is -- well, it's being introduced for the truth of the matter asserted, and it's based on what the Trust said and/or the administrator said to Navigant, which is hearsay, and then Navigant is putting it into a document and telling people what they think they heard the parties said, which makes the report hearsay.

And NRDC is taking and now offering it for the truth of the matter asserted. There is no exception to the hearsay rules for this document, and for those reasons we move to dismiss -- or to strike.

EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Allwein.

MR. ALLWEIN: Thank you, your Honors. I am not going to argue with the fact that this may be hearsay, but I would like to point out a few things.

First of all, the Ohio Supreme Court has said in Greater Cleveland Welfare Rights Org, Inc., Incorporated, versus the Public Utilities Commission in 1982 that the Commission is not stringently confined to the Rules of Evidence and is granted broad discretion in conduct of the hearings.

That is reinforced by a Public Utilities

Commission entry that cites that Ohio Supreme Court

case, and that entry states that when it's deemed

appropriate, it allows the Commission to allow for

hearsay testimony, and that entry also notes that

hearsay rules are designed, in part, to exclude

evidence out of concern regarding the jurors' ability

to assign appropriate weight to evidence.

And that entry goes on to say, "These concerns are inapplicable to Commission proceedings because the Commission has expertise and can assign appropriate weight," and that is Case No.

07-1306-EL-CSS. That's on page 9, paragraph 20. And that is the complaint of Pro Se, Commercial Properties versus Cleveland Electric Illuminating.

Attachment 2, it really isn't meant to speak to the companies' plans as proposed here, as much as it is to speak to Mr. Sullivan's recommended addition to the companies' plans. It shows a model that could be used by the companies or by the Commission in creating a continuous improvement program, and, in fact, we've been hearing over the last few days that the companies, themselves, have been asking deponents who have recommended additional plans, "Do you have any methodology or budget for these plans?" And this was Mr. Sullivan's way of presenting a possible solution for the addition of this program.

The companies have deposed Mr. Sullivan on his direct testimony for three hours. They had the document available then that they could have asked him about. And I would finally point out that this is a document produced by Navigant Consulting, and I believe that the FirstEnergy Corporation sometimes employs Navigant Consulting for various things so they are aware of this companies' reputation.

EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Allwein, is this document offered for the truth of the matter asserted?

MR. ALLWEIN: This document is recom --

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                 EXAMINER PRICE: You got to answer yes or
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    no, and then you can explain.
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: What about "it depends"?
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Not going to work.
                 MR. ALLWEIN: Yes.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Yes or no.
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: This document is being
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    offered for the truth of the matter asserted in terms
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    of methodology of creating a continuous improvement
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    program.
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                 MS. KOLICH: May I respond?
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                 MS. KOLICH: Thank you. The reference is
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     found on page 10, line 19, on Mr. Sullivan's
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     testimony. And he indicates there nothing about this
    model that is included in the Attachment 2 being a
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Second of all, if we refer to page 94 of the companies' deposition of the original direct testimony of Mr. Sull -- Mr. Sullivan -- and I have copies for the Bench. I've already provided one to counsel.

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MR. ALLWEIN: Thank you, Ms. Kolich.

MS. KOLICH: You're welcome.

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I, in fact, did ask him about this in deposition, and it was on page 94, starting on line 14, and there is no reference there to his recommendation as being set forth in this document. He makes a generic recommendation in his testimony, and then goes on to say it's merely being provided to -- so the purpose of Attachment 2 is "to provide the companies and other intervenors more context for my recommendation that the Commission direct the companies to develop a continuous improvement program."

There's nothing in there about this supporting his recommendation. Apparently, it's just to provide everybody with names and how to get ahold of other people if they want to talk about this topic in general.

MR. ALLWEIN: And I would agree with that, except that that is part of the answer to the question, "Are there program models that FirstEnergy could adopt to do this," speaking of a continuous improvement program, on page -- or on page 10, line 16.

EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. Ms. Kolich, do you really believe this is offered for the truth?

You allege this is offered for the truth of the matter asserted. He doesn't care, for example -- I'm not even sure which page this is on because it's not page numbered, but under Findings, Overview, "What motivated the firms to participate?"

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It says that "Five of the eight firms interviewed indicated prime motivation for participating in the IUI was reduced utility costs through energy savings."

He doesn't care about that statement. He doesn't care what their motivation was. He just offers this as continuous improvement program.

MS. KOLICH: If, in fact that is what it is offered for, the problem is with all of the attachments we have seen in this proceeding, when they are attached to testimony, they become part of the testimony, which becomes part of the record, which means anything in this document can be cited in a brief.

And without having any idea what they are going to cite, in an abundance of caution, they either have to tell us what it's used for and which portions they are relying on, or it's open season with no opportunity to refute it in brief because you didn't know what they were relying on.

EXAMINER PRICE: But you have counsel's representation -- this is different from some of the other ones that we were talking about. The other documents had situations where is it was installation rates found in other programs, and that was clearly offered for the truth of the matter asserted.

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That's not counsel's representation as to what this is being offered for, and if he goes beyond that representation, then you will be able to point it out in your brief.

MS. KOLICH: Well, if in fact, this is his recommendation, what is it being offered for if not for the truth of the matter asserted?

EXAMINER PRICE: Again, it's not the information contained in the document is for the truth of the matter asserted. It's simply -- my understanding is he is simply offering this as there is such a thing as a continuous improvement project out there, and this is an example of one.

MS. KOLICH: If it's limited for that purpose only, I'll withdraw the motion to strike.

EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Allwein.

MS. KOLICH: If it is limited solely as an example of one program that's out there from one entity that's offering it.

EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Allwein.

MR. ALLWEIN: Your Honors, I would agree to that in so -- inasmuch as it just -- it answers this question, "Are there program models FirstEnergy could adopt?" Here is one. That's it.

MS. KOLICH: So is this the one he is recommending? Because I thought I heard you say earlier, and this was rather than putting it in testimony, the model he was recommending the companies adopt, or are you saying here is an example of a program somewhere in the country that's being -- doing a continuous improvement project?

MR. ALLWEIN: That the companies would adopt, and we will spend time in our brief describing what's in that attachment. And the only reason I say that, and don't agree with you absolutely, is just because, you know, in the question it says, "Are there program models," meaning more than one, and in the answer he also mentions that AEP Ohio has a continuous improvement program.

 $$\operatorname{MS.}$ KOLICH: I'll deal with it on cross and withdraw the motion.

23 EXAMINER PRICE: Amicably resolved.

24 Excellent. Next motion.

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MS. KOLICH: Yes. The companies move to

strike Attachment 3 to Mr. Sullivan's testimony, which appears to be an article written by Richard Sedano as to "Who Should Deliver Ratepayer-Funded Energy Efficiency."

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The company moves to strike this on two grounds, actually. I bet you all know what one of them is, but we will deal with the other one first, which is relevance. Who should deliver ratepayer-funded energy efficiency is not an issue in this case. It is not an issue in Ohio. The statute is clear the obligation lies with the utilities, so I don't see the relevance of this document as to addressing who should -- who should provide the energy efficiency.

And also the second reason is hearsay.

Mr. Sedano simply writes an article talking about some work that was performed on behalf of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission, which is updating a report by RAP, and on page 3 in the purpose of this update, last paragraph, the author acknowledges the work of Brenda Hausauer, some woman in the original work done for the 2003 report by Cheryl Harrington and Cathie Murray.

We don't have the 2003 report, which this purportedly updates, and, therefore, we have no way

to put this document in context. Not only that, as I said, the author is simply taking materials and writing an article about them, and I'm -- I'm assuming this is being offered for the truth of the matter asserted.

Again, the reference on page 21, line 10 through 17, quotes one paragraph out of the document, and that's what I was basing my assumption on.

EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Allwein.

MR. ALLWEIN: Thank you, your Honors.

Again, I am not going to dispute the issue that this may be hearsay. I would repeat briefly my citation to the Ohio Supreme Court case mentioned earlier and the Commission entry that I mentioned earlier and then I would say that --

EXAMINER PRICE: Certainly though,

Mr. Allwein, you can distinguish between a pro se

complainant coming in without an attorney trying to

litigate his complaint case and the Natural Resources

Defense Council, who has hired attorneys and expert

witnesses. Surely you don't put yourself in the same

position as a pro se complainant.

MR. ALLWEIN: I do not, your Honor, but the language in the entry is broad, in order to reiterate the -- the Ohio Supreme Court case, and it

doesn't limit it to a pro se complaint. It just discusses -- it goes beyond that to say, you know, the Commission is allowed to look at hearsay because they can assign the appropriate weight to any kind of document or statement like that.

And so we have included this because Dylan Sullivan is recommending third-party administration of some of the companies' -- or board to oversee the companies' administration of certain programs, and this -- so it is an issue as to who is going to deliver this in this case with his -- his recommendation here.

And I would note that, you know, going to the hearsay item, I mean, bringing in Rich Sedano would be expensive and time-consuming, and short of that --

EXAMINER PRICE: But not addressed in the Commission entry is the acknowledgment if you don't bring in Richard Sedano, they can't cross-examine him.

MR. ALLWEIN: Well, the idea here is this provided an introduction to Mr. Sullivan's recommendation for which he develops in subsequent pages. And by -- you know, short of bringing in Rich Sedano, the report as attached allows the Commission,

the companies, and other parties to put this "into context" in order, you know, for them to decide whether or not they should assign any/or appropriate weight to this document. And, again, it was available for the companies. They could have looked through this and asked Mr. Sullivan questions about it during his deposition.

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EXAMINER PRICE: Questions he wouldn't be competent to answer because -- legally competent,

Mr. Sullivan, questions he would not be competent to answer because he did not conduct the study.

MR. ALLWEIN: That's correct. But he is using this as a foundation for his recommendation, and I would also bring up that, you know, this is funded by the United States Government through the ARRA program. There isn't the disclaimer, and, actually, that money passed through NARUC, the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, of which this Commission is an active participant.

So I think that it should come in. It's a good foundation for his recommendation, and the Commission can assign appropriate weight to this document. The rest of the document is there for the companies and any of the other parties and the

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Commission -- I said "the Commission" to put it into context -- and assign it the appropriate weight, if any weight is to be assigned at all.
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EXAMINER PRICE: Thank you. The motion to strike is going to be granted, although certainly the Commission is not strictly bound by the evidentiary rules, and I am more than happy to construe hearsay exceptions broadly. I don't believe that we should just be accepting something that you acknowledge is hearsay and don't have an exception which, at least colorfully, fits into it.

Thank you. The motion to strike will be granted.

MS. KOLICH: Your Honor, given your ruling, I have a further motion to strike lines 10 through 17 on page 21 of Mr. Sullivan's direct testimony, which basically quotes a provision out of the document you just struck.

EXAMINER PRICE: We'll go ahead and grant that motion to strike.

MR. OLIKER: Can you give me that page reference again? I'm sorry.

MS. KOLICH: Yes. Page 21, lines 10 through 17, including the footnote, your Honor?

EXAMINER PRICE: That's part of line 17.

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                 MS. KOLICH:
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                 My name is Kathy Kolich, and I am counsel
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     for the companies. I will be asking you some
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    you are in again? My apologies.
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                 MS. KOLICH: No problem. His direct
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testimony.

MR. ALLWEIN: All right. Thank you.

Q. Page 3, line 22, you make the statement,
"The pursuit of these primary goals is unlikely to
generate a comprehensive energy efficiency and peak
demand reduction program portfolio that will meet or
exceed the energy efficiency benchmarks."

Do you see that?

A. I do.

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- Q. So at the time you filed your testimony, you had some concerns about whether the plans that the companies filed met or exceeded the energy efficiency benchmarks; is that right?
- A. Yes. I noted early in my analysis that incremental savings year over year on an annualized or pro rata basis actually declined over the plan period, so I think that was the source of this concern, and unless the -- looking at the data at that time, I didn't see the company planning to exceed the benchmarks.
- Q. Okay. Now, your direct testimony was filed on October 5; is that right?
 - A. I believe that's correct.
- Q. Okay. And at the time of your filing you did not include any analysis similar to what is included in your supplemental testimony labeled

- DSE-3, 4 and 5; is that right?
 - A. Let me check my testimony.
- Q. Sure.

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- A. I didn't come to -- I think the conclusion that you are referencing, but if you look on page 19, line 17, I did note that FirstEnergy -- and this was, I believe, on an annualized basis -- proposing only getting 69 percent of this energy efficiency benchmark from nonself-direct, non-T&D programs.
- Q. Right. But that wasn't my question. My question was at the time you filed your direct testimony on October 5, you did not perform an analysis similar to what's included in your testimony -- supplemental testimony as DES-3, 4, and 5, did you?
 - A. No.
- Q. Okay. But as I said, that analysis as to whether or not the companies would hit their cumulative or incremental benchmarks during the plan period was performed and included with your supplemental testimony; is that correct?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. Now, let's turn to those exhibits in your supplemental testimony.

- A. Okay.
- Q. Now, I believe -- do you have it?
- A. I do.

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Q. Okay. Now, these analyses took you about five days, is that right, to perform and run the numbers down, check the numbers, discuss your results with various people?

MR. ALLWEIN: Your Honor, I am going to object at this time to the process by which he completed these in terms of the amount of time or what was going on because I believe they are not relevant, and they are basically being pulled out of the totality of the circumstances. So I would like counsel to discuss the substance of his testimony and not items related to the circumstances surrounding the development of the testimony.

EXAMINER PRICE: Overruled.

- A. Can you repeat the question?
- Q. I'll just ask it a different way. How long did it take you to prepare these exhibits, Exhibits DES-3, 4, and 5?
- A. So I think you mentioned five days as an estimate. I think it was probably more like three days.
- 25 Q. Oh, okay.

- A. And I think if you look at my deposition, I said the same thing a few days ago.
- Q. You're right. And then I believe you went on to say that you then discussed it with some people before it was filed, but actual calculations took you approximately three days; is that right?
 - A. I think you're right.
- Q. Okay. Now, I believe in your supplemental testimony, page 4, line 8, you indicated that the analyses included in your supplemental testimony, DES-3, 4, and 5, could not have been filed with your direct testimony for several reasons, one of which was that you received information critical to your analysis 10 days before the direct testimony was due. Do you see that?
 - A. I do.

- Q. And another reason you indicated was your review of the plan was truncated. Do you see that?
 - A. I do.
- Q. And I believe you explained to me in deposition that reference meant the process -- or the period of time in which you could file objections to the plans was reduced from 45 -- from 60 days to 45 days; is that correct?
 - A. I believe I also mentioned testimony

deadlines as well at that time.

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- Q. Okay. And then the other reason you indicate, line 11, the plan failed to include a comparison between benchmarks and expected results; is that right?
 - A. That's right.
- Q. Okay. Do you know if the Commission requires the companies in their portfolio plans to provide such comparison?
 - A. A comparison of what to what?
- Q. The $\mbox{--}$ a comparison of the benchmarks and the expected results.
- A. I'm not sure. I think it's reasonable, though.
- Q. Okay. Do you know -- are you aware that the Commission issued an entry that set forth the requirements or a template on what should be included in the programs and the nature of the materials?
- A. I recall that there is a template requiring certain information. It's been awhile since I have looked at that particular rule, though.
- Q. Now, another reason you could not have filed on the 5th -- let me ask that a different way. Could another reason you could not have filed your exhibits on the 5th was because you didn't think

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                 MR. ALLWEIN: Your Honor, that is not the
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Do you intend to raise
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     this issue in your brief?
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                 MS. KOLICH: I may.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. Proceed.
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: Your Honor, may I ask one
    more thing? Isn't the proper process for this an
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    clarification, your Honor.
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- A. Can you restate that last question?
- Q. Sure. Could another reason you couldn't have filed your testimony on October -- or, I'm sorry, another reason that you could not have filed Exhibits DES-3, 4, and 5 on October 5 was because you had not thought about preparing those analyses until October 15?
- A. It's possible, but I do think that we -- and this is me, I should say me. I think we recognized this explanation wasn't part of the plan, but as you'll -- as I think you'll note from our objections and from my testimony, we -- we had a lot of analytical tasks to do between when the plan was filed and October 5. And those -- those other tasks were the ones I was able to do in the time.
- Q. It was probably made a little difficult for you to get those tasks out because you were on vacation the week testimony was due.

MR. ALLWEIN: Objection, harassment.

EXAMINER PRICE: Sustained.

MR. ALLWEIN: That's ridiculous.

EXAMINER PRICE: I sustained your

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MR. ALLWEIN: I didn't hear you, sorry.

EXAMINER PRICE: No further

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                 EXAMINER PRICE: That's not relevant.
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testimony was due the week you -- your direct

testimony was on October 5, right?

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- Q. You filed your supplemental testimony the first day of hearings, which was the 22nd; is that right?
- A. I believe we sent it to parties on Saturday, I believe.
 - Q. Right. But it was filed on the 22nd.
 - A. Okay.
- Q. And the primary reason you listed in your testimony, the first reason on page 4, line 9, was you could not include your analyses in your supplemental testimony with your direct testimony because information you received 10 days before the filing deadline that was critical to your analysis —strike that.

So one of the reasons you stated -- the first reason you stated that you couldn't do this analysis in a timely manner was because the information you received 10 days before the filing deadline which was critical to your analysis that you hadn't thought about doing until 10 days after the deadline; is that right?

MR. ALLWEIN: Objection. I think that mischaracterizes the witness' testimony regarding the

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5 THE WITNESS: I am going to ask her to 6 clarify.

Kathy, I think your -- your question includes a timeframe and -- or sort of like a timeline, and I just got confused about the question. So can you -- can you state it again or --

MS. KOLICH: Let's have it reread.

12 THE WITNESS: Okay.

EXAMINER PRICE: Could you read the question, please.

(Record read.)

- A. Kathy -- sorry, Ms. Kolich, I think your question mischaracterizes what I said about when it came in -- when we recognized this as a problem. So I stated that we recognized that this analysis wasn't part of the plan.
- Q. Okay. All of these questions will pertain to your direct testimony unless otherwise stated at this point.
- A. Okay. Thank you.

25 EXAMINER PRICE: Now, I have to ask, when

- 1 | did you realize this was an issue? Give me a date
- 2 | because the 10 days before timelines are killing me.
- 3 On or about what date did you realize this was an
- 4 issue?
- 5 THE WITNESS: I said this in my
- 6 deposition, and everything runs together, but I -- I
- 7 | commenced the analysis Monday or Wednesday of last
- 8 | week, and I can't recall which. And I think I
- 9 realized it might be an issue perhaps the week before
- 10 that.
- 11 EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. Thank you.
- 12 Q. (By Ms. Kolich) Okay. Now, you've got
- 13 | your direct testimony in front of you?
- 14 A. I do.
- Q. Okay. When you prepared your testimony,
- 16 you received various criteria; is that right?
- 17 A. I don't understand the question.
- 18 Q. The materials you reviewed to -- in order
- 19 to prepare your testimony, you read the statutes in
- 20 Ohio dealing with energy efficiency?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And Commission rules regarding plan
- 23 | filings and other requirements?
- 24 A. Yeah. I read Ohio Administrative Code
- 25 | 4901, Chapter 39.

- Q. Okay. Commission orders and entries?
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- Q. Obviously, you read the companies' plans.
- A. I did.
- Q. Okay. Companies' responses to NRDC -- did you say discovery requests?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Companies' responses to other parties' discovery requests?
- 10 A. Generally, yes, but not with the same level of attention.
- Q. How about materials in the Commission's docket involving the draft Technical Resource Manual, the TRM?
- 15 A. No.
 - Q. How about the docket involving the creation of a template for filing the EE/PDR plans?
- 18 A. No.
- Q. Did you review any other utilities' energy efficiency peak/demands reduction plans?
 - A. I reviewed AEP's 2012 through 2014 plan.
- Q. Okay. Now, in addition to reviewing materials, you also spoke to several people, including Dan Sawmiller?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. And Joel Swisher?
- 2 A. Yes.

- Q. Glenn Reed? And Wilson Gonzalez?
- 4 A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay page 4, line 3, of your testimony, you refer to "actions that would have happened without their involvement," their involvement being the companies'. Do you see that?
 - A. I do.
 - Q. Now, the actions you are referring to include the mercantile self-direct program; is that right?
 - A. Yes. That's mercantile self-direct customer actions. I think that also includes, perhaps, the results of the online audit program, which as I reference later on in the testimony is -- is, I believe, evaluated using an invalid control group. So I think that's what I mean in terms of "happened without their involvement."
 - Q. How about the T&D projects?
 - A. The T&D projects I would lump, actually, more into the "don't actually generate any new savings."
- 24 Q. Okay. Page 4, line 7.
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. "The Companies' short-term focus fails to position them to meet statutory requirements in the years outside the Plan." Do you see that?
 - A. I do.

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- Q. Now, just to clarify the record, you are referring to the years 2016 and beyond?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. Through what period?
 - A. I'm -- that period is 2016 through 2025.
- Q. Okay. Did you perform any quantitative analysis that would indicate by how much the companies would fall short in those years?
- A. So I -- as I noted earlier, when you look at pro rata or annualized savings, the expected savings of this plan actually decline in 2025 compared to 2014, and so as I said in my deposition, I believe that puts the company in a bad position to meet the standard in 2016.

But in terms of, you know, what the cumulative shortfall is going to be over 2025, I didn't do that, and because I -- you know, I don't have confidence in the companies' plans 2016 out. I can't answer that.

Q. Plans being general plans, not written plans; is that right?

A. I meant because there's no program portfolio plan through the years 2025.

Q. Okay.

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EXAMINER PRICE: But you don't know what programs they'll offer commencing January 1, 2016, do you?

are going to offer, but it -- these programs, especially the programs that we're talking about, about the company adding data centers, continuous energy improvement, retro-commissioning, there might be one other, it's hard to start from zero and get savings.

In continuous energy improvement, the company is actually hiring a third party to help build long time -- long-term relationships with the companies' largest customers and implement energy management plans, which generate savings over time.

Similarly it's -- unless the market for retro-commissioning services is built and nurtured by the companies, those savings aren't just going to appear. So the --

EXAMINER PRICE: They are just not laying enough of a foundation for these programs to work successfully to commence in 2016 --

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THE WITNESS: Exactly.
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2 EXAMINER PRICE: -- is your testimony.

THE WITNESS: Yes.

- Q. (By Ms. Kolich) Following up on that question, you're not exactly sure when the companies, in your opinion, won't be able to hit the targets, are you?
- A. I believe for the reasons I was talking about with Attorney Examiner Price earlier, I think 2016 is going to present difficulty.
- Q. Okay. Do you have a copy of your deposition, the deposition taken for your direct testimony?
- A. I do.

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- Q. Okay. Would you pull up page 25 of that deposition transcript.
- A. Sure, sure.
- MS. KOLICH: Does the Bench have a copy of that one?
- 20 EXAMINER CHILES: We do.
- EXAMINER PRICE: We do? That wasn't a statement. That was a question. I'm trying to find -- what date was the one taken that you are talking about?
- MR. LANG: October 21.

956 MS. KOLICH: October 12. 1 2 EXAMINER PRICE: We do have the October 3 12. 4 MR. ALLWEIN: Ms. Kolich, could you 5 repeat the page number again. 6 MS. KOLICH: Sure, page 25. 7 Q. (By Ms. Kolich) Are you there? 8 Α. Tam. 9 Okay. Line 22, actually the question 10 starts on line 19, "Back to falling short, do you know when the company, based on your statement here, 11 12 won't be able to hit their targets?" 13 The answer, "No." Is that right?? That's what I said then. 14 Α. 15 Page 5, line 16, of your testimony, you Q. 16 state that "The Commission should require the 17 Companies to" --18 Α. Just a moment, Kathy.

EXAMINER PRICE: Ms. Kolich.

THE WITNESS: Sorry.

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MS. KOLICH: We go back a long way.

Α. I wish I had a Post-it note to write that down right here. Can you repeat the question, please, or the line reference?

> Sure. I am referring to page 5, line 16. Q.

A. Yes.

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Q. And you state that "The Commission should also require the Companies to expand their" goals -- "goal of 'compliance with statutory targets' to include years outside the plan period."

Do you see that?

- A. I do.
- Q. So you're not suggesting that the law requires the companies to exceed their statutory targets in any given year during the plan period, are you?
 - A. No.
- Q. Now, page 4, line 18, of your testimony, you state that -- actually, on 17, the goal to maximize the ratio of kilowatt-hours spent harms customers in the long run, and is, in my opinion, contrary to Ohio law -- rules. Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. What is contrary to Ohio rules, the fact that they're maximizing the ratio of kilowatt-hours saved per dollars spent?
- A. The -- what I perceived to be the almost singular focus on that Element.
- MS. KOLICH: , I'm sorry, could I have that answer reread?

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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Please.
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    program was selected according to those program
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planning criteria, and the companies didn't do that.

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- Q. But you don't know for a fact whether the companies considered all members -- the benefits to all members of a customer class on the programs included in the plans, do you?
- A. I know that that explanation isn't in the plan, the explanation of why a program was selected considering that factor wasn't in the plan.
- Q. Were you present in any of the planning meetings with the companies when they were designing the plans?
 - A. No; but I did read the plan.
- Q. So it's your testimony that if the information on -- that the companies considered when out picking the programs to be included in the plans, if that discussion is not in the plans, it was not considered?
- A. It may have been, but there's no way for intervenors and the Commission to know that.
- Q. Exactly. So you have no idea what the companies considered when deciding which programs to include in the plan, do you?
- A. There are some parts of the program planning criteria that we know the company didn't consider because your own witnesses have said you

didn't consider.

- Q. Such as?
- A. Such as joint implementation with gas utilities of home performance programs. Mr. Dargie stated in his testimony that that was not considered.
 - Q. Any others?
- A. I would have to look at the list of program planning criteria. If you had it, I could -- I could take a look at that really quickly.
 - Q. I do.
 - A. Okay.
 - MS. KOLICH: May I approach?
- 13 EXAMINER PRICE: You may.
 - MS. KOLICH: For the record I just handed the witness a copy of Rule 4901:1-39-03, Program Planning Requirements.
 - A. So the planning criteria that I mentioned is the only one that I can recall definitively the company did not consider.
 - Q. Okay. And which one was that again?
 - A. That would be potential to integrate proposed programs with similar programs offered by other utilities if such integration produces the most cost effective result and is in the public interest.
 - Q. Thank you. Page 6, line 5 of your

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- 2 A. Yes.
 - Q. You refer to the term force majeure. Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, you don't know about the Commission's rules governing force majeure, do you?
 - A. No. I recall the application of those rules in some earlier cases that I'm familiar with, but I don't know the exact rules.
- 11 Q. Page 6, line 9.
- 12 EXAMINER PRICE: Let's go off the record.
- 13 (Off the record.)
- 14 EXAMINER PRICE: Back on the record.
- Q. I believe my reference was to page 6, line 9, of your testimony.
- 17 A. Okay.
- Q. You state, "We have not been as consistently and productively engaged in the Collaborative Group." Do you see that?
 - A. Yes, I do.
- Q. I want to clarify for the record, it is referring to NRDC?
- A. Yes, it is. You can see the question in my references in line 8 to NRDC.

Q. Oh, I'm sorry. And just to clarify, again, the collaborative group you are referring to, that would be the group of interested stakeholders that meet with the companies to discuss energy efficiency issues, commonly referred to as the collaborative; is that right?

A. Yes.

- Q. Now, on page 8, line 1.
- A. Yes.
- Q. You state, "FirstEnergy requested feedback on a list of programs and measures (on February 24, 2012)."
- A. Yes.
- Q. "And on a 42-slide presentation (on July 10, 2012)." Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Now, the list of programs in the 42-slide presentation wasn't the only materials that the collaborative received from the companies regarding these -- the plans that were filed, was it?
- A. So what I'm referring to here is our need to comment on a draft plan. And so the companies did provide, I think you would call them, the modeling results of the portfolio and some -- one or two line program descriptions but so, yes, we received more

information than the two things I mentioned here.

- Q. In fact, the companies provided you with a sector level kilowatt-hour savings by year analysis, didn't they?
- A. I don't recall actually receiving -- I don't recall -- can you say that again? What was it called?
- Q. Yes. It was called the sector level kilowatt-hour and megawatt savings by year analysis.
 - A. We could have received that, yeah.
- Q. Okay. And the companies also provided sector level program budget by year analysis, didn't they?
- 14 A. Yes.

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- Q. And they also provided program level cumulative savings projections, didn't they?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And they also provided portfolio specific assignments of energy efficiency costs by program and sector, didn't they?
 - A. Can you repeat that one?
- Q. Yeah. The portfolio of specific assignment of costs by program and sector.
- 24 A. Yes.
 - Q. And they also provided allocation of the

costs to customer sectors, didn't they?

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- Q. And they also provided annual lifetime costs, lifetime benefits, TRC results, lifetime kilowatt-hour savings, megawatt savings by sector and program, didn't they?
- A. I recall that there -- the TRC results were only for large programs, and you stated you weren't able to break out cost effectiveness at the subprogram level so, for example, I think we mentioned we weren't able to determine the cost effectiveness of the kits because you -- you weren't able to break out the cost effectiveness of the very large subprogram. So we got the cost effectiveness results for the larger home performance program but weren't able to understand the cost effectiveness of the major measures themselves and stated that.
- Q. The companies also provided projected units by measure by year, didn't they?
 - A. They did.
- Q. And they also provided program descriptions and incentive strategies, didn't they?
 - A. Can you say that again?
- Q. Yeah. Program descriptions and incentive strategies.

- A. So the program descriptions were very short, one or two sentences. And incentive strategy was usually merely a range of incentives, not exactly what we would call a strategy or plan for action, so we did receive a document titled that.
- Q. Did you follow up with the companies and ask for any further details regarding or surrounding the program descriptions or the incentive strategies?
- A. I can't recall right now whether we did or didn't based on that information.
- Q. Okay. And then the companies also provided some measure-specific information to the collaborative, such as annual kilowatt-hour savings projections, didn't they?
 - A. Yes, I believe they did.
- Q. On a measure-specific basis the kilowatt-hour savings.
 - A. I thought that's what you just said.
 - Q. That's savings projections versus -MS. KOLICH: One moment, please.
- Could I have that last question and response reread, pleases.
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MS. KOLICH: And then there was a -
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duplicative, if I recall. Could I have that read.

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MS. KOLICH: Yes. Strike that.

- Q. (By Ms. Kolich) They also provided on a measure-specific basis the kilowatt-hour -- the kilowatt savings projections, didn't they?
- A. Can you -- can you tell me when they provided this? Do you recall, just so I can refresh my memory?

EXAMINER PRICE: I don't think you are supposed to be asking them questions, but perhaps -THE WITNESS: But they appear to be answering them.

EXAMINER PRICE: That's a great answer in the form of a question.

- Q. I don't know right offhand so I can't answer your question right now, but I'm asking, in general, did you receive information from the companies prior to the plan filing regarding measure lives on a measure-specific basis?
- A. I believe we did, but I think this was distributed to you in mid July, which the companies filed a plan I think July 31, so I don't know what sort of feedback we were expected to be able to provide in that time.

- Q. I understand. I am just asking which information you got.
 - A. Okay.

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- Q. And the companies also provided the basis on which they were making their savings assumptions on each measure, didn't they?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Are you sure that that date you provided in July was the date on which you received that information?
 - A. I think I said mid July.
- Q. Okay. Are you sure you got it in July and not earlier?
 - A. I may have.
- Q. Okay. And the companies also provided incremental cost measures, didn't they, on a measure-specific basis?
- A. Yes; but some of those incremental costs were three years old.
- Q. And the companies also provided model rebates on a measure-specific basis, didn't they?
 - A. Yes, they did.
- Q. Page 8, line 13, you referred to the
 "Existing Plan, where most programs have been poorly
 implemented." Do you see that?

A. I do.

- Q. And when you talk about "most programs," you are referring to three programs, aren't you?
- A. You'll have to refresh me on my deposition answer.
- Q. Sure. In your deposition you referred to -- it would be on page 46, line 23.
- A. Yes, so I'm mainly referring to the energy efficient products program, the commercial/industrial incentive program, small and large, so those could be considered two programs.

 And also I -- as I mention, I don't think that the legacy CFL program was poorly implemented, but it's problems were the result of the companies' -- the problems with the design of the original CFL program.
- Q. Now, on page 8, line 24, you also thought about several other recommendations, first of all which is, "The development of avoided costs using common analytic practices." Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. That statement you are making there, you're simply relying on Mr. Swisher's testimony and his positions taken?
- A. So here I'm suggesting what the collaborative could do in order to learn to work

- better together, and so I'm suggesting some tasks here based on, yes, in this case, Mr. Swisher's testimony.
- Q. Okay. Now, on page 9, line 10, you make some suggested improvements to the collaborative process. Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Now, one of them is that "the Companies should send out meeting materials one week in advance of meetings." Do you see that specific one?
 - A. I do, yes.
- Q. Were you present when Mr. Dargie committed to the collaborative that the companies would use all reasonable efforts to accommodate that request?
- A. So he did make a commitment, but I think it makes sense to formalize that.
- Q. Okay. And then you go on, on line 11, that the process should "allow Collaborative members to add agenda items." Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Now, there has never been a time you can recall the companies have refused to discuss an issue brought up by a collaborative member, is there, if the information was available?

- A. No, I can't. I think this is another thing that I just wanted to formalize.
- Q. Okay. And you also suggest that the collaborative or the companies send out meeting notes. I assume you mean minutes from the meetings?
 - A. That's right.
- Q. And the companies do this already, don't they?
 - A. They do, yes.
- Q. Okay. Page 9, line 19 -- I'm sorry, it's actually line 17. I can't read my own writing. You refer to reducing wait times. Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Now, you don't know what the wait time is for application confirmation, do you?
- A. I know that it has been very problematic in the past, if you read the ADM Associates evaluation of the 2011 commercial and industrial incentive programs, but I don't know what the current average or maximum wait time is.
- Q. And -- oh, you did say current, okay.

 And you don't know the current rebate wait time, do
 you, rebate payment wait time?
 - A. No.
 - Q. Do you know what the terms and conditions

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of the programs provide as a rebate payment period?
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- A. I believe it's 90 days after application approval. I think that's right.
- Q. I am going to skip that section, CEIP, that Continuous Energy Improvement Period. We will come to that.
 - A. No objection.
- Q. We may come back to that. Page 19, line 7.
- 10 EXAMINER PRICE: Which page?
- 11 MS. KOLICH: We're zipping right along,
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- 13 EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. Thank you.
- 14 A. Line 7, you said?
- 15 Q. Page 19, line 7, your table.
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, in this table you -- you've adopted the percentages in line 7, the incentive percentages of OCC with one additional tier; is that right?
 - A. That's right.
- Q. Now, do you have a ballpark estimate of what the companies could earn if they hit the 130 percent, if you know.
- A. So I know if you look on page 20, line 2 that the companies suite of customer-directed

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proactive energy efficiency programs, and what I am
doing there is basically excluding mercantile T&D,

will generate $153 million of discounted net
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- A. -- that would be around 15.3 million, 10 percent of that, 10 percent of the 153 million.
- Q. But you suggest a cap at 10 million; isn't that right?
 - A. 10 million per year.
 - Q. Well, the calculation you just made, was -- that was over three years?
 - A. That's over three years.
 - Q. Ah, okay. And I referred to a cap.

 Looking at page 19, line 11 of your testimony, you suggest a cap of \$10 million per year split among the three companies; is that right?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And you more or less correspond that to AEP's cap of \$20 million; is that right?
 - A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. Now, the \$20 million cap of AEP is shared between Ohio Power and Columbus Southern; is that

right?

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- A. We talked about this in our deposition, but they might be operating as one company now for that purpose. I'm not sure if they are still splitting it between rate zones or operating companies.
 - O. So --
- A. So it's just better to look at that as just what the company gets.
- Q. Got it, so one company. Let's assume you're right, and they are one company. They could cap out at 20, and let's assume that the companies split the 10 million equally. These companies individually split out at 3 million per year, 3.3 million per year; is that right?
- A. I suggest that it be split out based on nonmercantile software customer load shared between -- to do a proportional based on that.
- Q. Okay. But if you just decided to split it, they would cap out at 3 million plus?
 - A. Uh-huh.
 - Q. Okay.
- EXAMINER PRICE: What percentage of the companies' total operating revenues would \$3 million be?

THE WITNESS: I don't know.

EXAMINER PRICE: How can you evaluate whether this is an appropriate incentive level if you don't know what impact it's going to have on the company's financials? Could it be so small it's irrelevant? Could it be so large that it's, you know, far beyond what their authorized return would be?

THE WITNESS: So, of course, the company is going to be held, I assume, to the SEET threshold, right, at the end of the day, the distribution utility?

EXAMINER PRICE: Yeah.

THE WITNESS: And I -- you know, in California, for example, they -- they split a lot of hairs and really try to figure out what exactly, you know, what this is going to be as a percentage of earnings. It's -- it's a difficult effort.

I think what you're after in this is a number that gets the companies' interest, that gets management attention, that makes -- that allows the people who manage energy efficiency to come to the CEO and say, "Look what we got."

EXAMINER PRICE: That would something that would materially move the return on equity,

right?

THE WITNESS: I am not sure if it necessarily has to get to that level. I also note that this is a company that has unrestricted lost distribution revenues, which is, you know, more, I think -- it's a more lucrative way to deal with the problem of possible lost revenues than Duke or AEP have, for example.

So the companies already have good downside production and, you know, I don't -- I don't work at the companies so I don't know exactly what's going to, you know, help make Tony Alexander look at this, but part of the -- part of the reason I went for the 10 million also is just that the company is proposing a pretty small suite of programs relative to their benchmarks as compared to AEP so.

EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. Thank you.

THE WITNESS: Uh-huh.

Q. (By Ms. Kolich) Page 23, line 23 -- actually, 22; page 23, line 22, you make a recommendation that the "Commission devolve the administration of the Companies' portfolio residential programs to an independent Board." Do you see that?

A. Yes.

- Q. Now, the board that you are recommending would only manage the residential programs, right?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And the companies would continue to manage the C&I programs?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Now, on page 24, line 16, you anticipate the hiring of a program im -- or an implementation contractor; is that right?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. That would be like a Honeywell or someone like that who -- who do you have? Can you give me an example of somebody who's an implementation contractor?
- A. Sure. So different -- different entities have -- you could do two things. You could hire an implementation vendor for maybe one program, or you could hire a prime vendor to manage all of the residential portfolio and presume that they would have subcontractors that would help them.

An example of a prime vendor would be the contract that DEIC received to implement, I guess, both AMP-Ohio programs here, but also the contract they recently got to manage the efficiency utility in Washington, D.C. Another example of prime vendor is

- Ameren, Illinois' relationship with Conservation Services Group.
- Q. And then on page 24, line 21, you would seek -- "The Board would seek public input as it developed the RFP."
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- Q. From residential customers, is that what you're thinking?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Now, on page 25, line 5, you recommend, "The Companies be relieved of their compliance obligation for the savings planned under the residential portfolio." Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Do you know if your suggestion is lawful under the laws of Ohio? Have you talked to an attorney about this concept and whether or not it would be lawful in the state of Ohio?
- MR. ALLWEIN: I just want to clarify,

 Mr. Sullivan is not an attorney, which I know he

 stated in his testimony.
 - MS. KOLICH: He is not.
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 EXAMINER PRICE: Before you leave the

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board, I have got many questions about the board, so
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Why don't you give the staff a vote? You don't like Mr. Scheck?

MR. ALLWEIN: Your Honor, that's two questions. Which one do you want answered?

EXAMINER PRICE: My question was merely

rhetorical.

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First question, why do you exclude the staff from a vote? That's obviously a specific decision you made.

THE WITNESS: Because I feel like the Commission has to be able to judge the -- the success of the portfolio.

EXAMINER PRICE: Isn't the staff a party to -- or quasi-party, so to speak, to Commission proceedings all the time? Don't we judge the staff's reports, sub-staff reports, in rate cases, staff recommendations in cases like this all the time?

THE WITNESS: You do.

EXAMINER PRICE: This wouldn't be any different, would it?

THE WITNESS: But if the staff had a vote on program changes and if -- the people who are on the board are going to be making -- you know, of

course, the prime vendor is going to be the one out there implementing programs, but the staff is -- the voting members are going to have a lot of strategic direction in how -- in how energy efficiency programs for residential customers are implemented.

So I think it would be a different level of involvement than staff currently has, and I wouldn't want that to present conflict, you know, as the Commission judges the results of the programs that the board administers. This is also -- I think they also address this question in Indiana, as Indiana implemented it, a similar board, and for that reason staff was not included.

EXAMINER PRICE: Who would appoint -- who would appoint the representatives of the environmental advocates or who would select which environmental advocate gets a representative?

THE WITNESS: So I think the --

EXAMINER PRICE: It's going to come down to a person. Who would pick that person, as well as the low-income's advocate, and the HVAC representative, the municipal governments' advocate? Who would pick those people?

THE WITNESS: So in terms of the -- I imagine that it would be based -- I don't imagine I

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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. HVAC contractors
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    who would pick that person?
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    Ohio Association of HVAC Contractors. I forgot what
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Municipal governments?
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    have an answer for that, for local governments.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: How much do you project
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                 THE WITNESS: So I'm proposing that the
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: 85 million a year?
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. Would the members
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                 THE WITNESS: I haven't thought about
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Would the members of
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    to the Ohio Sunshine Act?
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                 THE WITNESS: Yes.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: How do you know if you
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    are not an attorney? That's what you envisioned?
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going to come about, the companies could petition the Commission and shift funds to a different class where maybe they are overperforming and there is more potential there, couldn't they?

A. Sure.

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- Q. Now, if you take this board and take the residential sector away and the results that are produced by that sector, don't I remove a lot of flexibility from the companies to hit their efficiency goals which I -- well, answer that first. I probably should have asked you a different question first.
 - A. Not necessarily.
 - Q. Okay. Why not?
- A. So we talked about this in the deposition, if you recall, and I said that the -- in a situation like that it would -- it would make sense if there were programs that were not at full potential in the residential sector, but you were up against the wall in, say, the large industrial sector, to shift program budgets over to the -- the board-administered residential portfolio and credit the companies for the extra efficiency from that.
- Q. So the companies would have to put a lot of faith in this board to generate they're -- at

least what they're on the hook for, if not extra?

- A. Yes. But keep in mind, I believe I mentioned in my deposition and possible reply in the testimony that I imagine that the board, being prudent implementers, would seek performance contractors with implementation vendors, that would penalize those vendors for nonperformance and reward them for good performance. So I don't agree that the board would be less engaged in ensuring performance of the portfolio than the company is.
- Q. Now, you indicated earlier on the companies would retain the responsibility to manage the programs for C&I customer segments, right?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. So the companies would have a reduced target to hit through that class -- those classes?
 - A. Those classes, I'm sorry.
- Q. The commercial and industrial classes through their programs -- strike that. Let me lay a better foundation.

The statute requires the utilities to hit a certain percentage target of energy savings each year; is that right?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And I believe you said -- let's

use 1 percent.

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- A. Okay.
- Q. And let's say that the board -- well, let me ask this, how would the board decide which -- which portion of that 1 percent they were responsible for?
- A. So what I am proposing here, the board be responsible to get, over the length of this plan, the same energy savings that the companies propose to get.
- Q. Okay. So you want to implement this board for management of the programs today, I mean in the plan period 2013 through '15.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. That starts in eight weeks.
- A. Uh-huh. Yes. And I acknowledge there is going to be a transition period in the testimony.
- Q. Okay. So you are going to take the percentage in the plan that the companies estimate the residential customers can achieve and place that responsibility on the board; is that right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And then the remainder, the companies are obligated to hit.
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Now, if the board doesn't deliver theirs -- their portion of the savings that, apparently, the parties would agree to, your position is that the board should not be penalized; is that right?
- A. No. Like I mentioned earlier, the board would probably have performance contracts with vendors, so vendors would have incentive to meet the targets. But I -- I don't suggest that, you know, for example, OCC or NRDC be assessed a compliance penalty if the board -- board-administered programs don't perform as projected.
- Q. Now, you -- Examiner Price asked you why the staff didn't get a vote, but you also don't want the companies to have a vote; is that right?
 - A. That's right.

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- Q. But now you envision the companies being a part of the board, is that right, a member of the companies?
- A. Yes. I -- if you look on page 24, line 9, I said, "The Companies should participate in a non-voting role."
- Q. Right. What would incent the companies coming to these meetings if they had no say?
 - A. Well, there are certain program areas,

for example, the same group of HVAC contractors that serve residential customers often serve small commercial customers. There are some buildings, like residential multi-family buildings, where individual apartments might be metered by the common areas, you know, might be on a commercial rate schedule of the companies. There are areas where they are going to overlap, both in space and in the people who are doing the efficiency work.

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So it makes sense for the companies to be there, just so that that work and those relationships aren't uncoordinated, and this is -- this is an issue they are facing in Indiana right now. It's not something that hasn't been addressed before, but the implementation vendor and the board is going to have to stay in communication with the companies.

EXAMINER PRICE: Can I ask a question about load allocation?

THE WITNESS: Sure.

EXAMINER PRICE: If you are just going to take residential customers and pull them to the side, wouldn't it make more sense for residential customers to be simply responsible for their proportion of the share of the companies' total load rather than what the companies are proposing?

1 The companies proposed a certain 2 percentage because they have the ability to shift the 3 money back and forth. Wouldn't it make more sense 4 just to say residential customers make up 40 percent 5 of the load. They need to produce -- the board needs 6 to produce 40 percent of the savings? That would be simpler. 7 THE WITNESS: 8 goal here was to not penalize the companies for this 9 decision in this case, I quess, because they have developed a compliance strategy, and the goal of that 10 11 proposal was to not upset that compliance. 12 EXAMINER PRICE: But you think it would be simpler just for the residential customers to take 13 their share of the load and implement that energy 14 15 savings? 16 THE WITNESS: Yeah. Right. 17 EXAMINER PRICE: And peak demand reduction? 18 19 THE WITNESS: I hadn't thought about 20 that, but yes, I think that makes sense as well. 21 EXAMINER PRICE: And you are intending 22 this to be peak demand reduction as well as energy 23 efficiency, correct? 24 THE WITNESS: So I suggest that the 25 companies' direct load control still exist under the

companies' direction, but it could be incremental to what would be under the jurisdiction of the board. I hadn't thought enough about peak demand reduction.

EXAMINER PRICE: What about savings coming out of a SmartGRID program? There are some incremental savings that come out of SmartGRID. Who gets that?

THE WITNESS: That's the companies' investment so it should probably be the companies' savings.

EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. Thank you.

- Q. (By Ms. Kolich) How would you interface the tracking systems between what the board would be tracking for results and the companies tracking their results?
- A. It's my understanding that the company has an online tracking system that it requires all of its vendors to use.
 - Q. Go ahead.
 - A. Do you want me to finish?
 - O. Yes.

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A. So the board could piggyback on the companies' existing investment there, or I do highlight, you know, IT and tracking as an area of incremental cost for this board. I think there would

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need to be some reporting connection between the companies and the board, just so that everybody knows how much they're saving, and also so the companies can use that in their forecasting, so.
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Q. Okay. Now, with your testimony you included the DES-1, which is different -- I'm sorry, DES-1. Do you have that with you?

THE WITNESS: Can I have a short break?

MS. KOLICH: Do you want a break?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

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THE WITNESS: Could I get a short break?

EXAMINER PRICE: Let's go off the record.

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MS. KOLICH: Thank you, your Honor.

Q. (By Ms. Kolich) Mr. Sullivan, would you turn -- and I'm going back in the testimony, but only for a specific issue and we'll move on, that I skipped. Page 10, line 16, of your testimony.

A. I'm sorry. Can you do the line reference again?

- Q. Sure. It's page 10, line 16. It's regarding continuous improvement program.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. Now, you -- you include two examples of potential programs, one being the Energy Trust of Oregon; is that right?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And the other being AEP Ohio?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. Now, you've attached Attachment 2 to your testimony. Do you have that handy that you could pull it up?
- 13 A. What's the name of it?
- Q. It's your Attachment 2, Industrial Energy
 Improvement, the Energy Trust of Oregon.
- A. Okay, yes. I thought we had that stricken.
- 18 Q. No.
- A. No. It's still here. Okay. I got confused.
- Q. If you would like to remove it, I'm not going to oppose it.
- A. I am not proposing that.
- Q. Then let's talk about it.
- 25 A. Okay.

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Q. Now, is this document demonstrating a potential model the companies should follow if it developed a continuous improvement program?
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- A. Yes, it is. And I included this evaluation rather than just a simple program description because when you read this, you can understand, sort of, the benefits and drawbacks of the model that they used in the Energy Trust of Oregon. So this is an evaluation document so it's not just a description of the program. It's how it's worked.
- Q. Okay. Now, where are the participation results found in this document, how it worked?
- A. This is mostly a process evaluation, so it's not an impact evaluation.
- Q. Okay. Does it lay out the structure of a program that FirstEnergy should follow?
 - A. Generally, yes.
 - Q. Where?
 - A. If you look on pages12- and 13.
 - Q. Okay. Does yours have page numbers?
 - A. No, it doesn't.
- 23 EXAMINER PRICE: How did you know 12 and
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25 THE WITNESS: I was looking at the table

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of contents, which is on page 2, which is not labeled as page 2. Just a minute. Look for the section titled "What elements the firms found the most valuable."
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MR. ALLWEIN: Just to be helpful, that clarification is in bold print on the top of a page, whichever page that happens to be, and the bottom of the page has two nonbolded quotes, if that's helpful at all.

- A. And so also in addition to this report, I identify the elements that the companies should implement. In my testimony, if you look -- I forgot what the line is.
 - Q. Probably line --

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- A. Page 11, starting line 2.
- Q. Okay. The reference you made to page 11,

MS. KOLICH: Could I have my question read because I don't think that he answered my question.

EXAMINER PRICE: You may.

Let's have the question and the response.

(Record read.)

MS. KOLICH: Thank you. That was what I was looking for.

And his answer?

(Record read.)

MS. KOLICH: Okay. Thank you.

- Q. (By Ms. Kolich) That wasn't my question though, about what you're recommending the companies implement.
 - A. Okay.

- Q. I am talking about the report which is Attachment 2 to your testimony. Where is the structure of this program described?
- A. Look at what I will call page 3. It has an introduction.
- Q. Where in the introduction are you referring, or the entire introduction?
- A. Yes, including the "Pilot Goals and Objectives."
- Q. Okay. What is the -- the second paragraph there, line 3 of the introduction, what is the "Plan, Do, Check, Act" cycle, as Energy Trust of Oregon or Strategic Energy Group defines it?
- A. So a "Plan, Do, Check, Act" cycle, as I understand it, is pretty well recognized in industrial businesses as part of, you know, various quality improvement processes, like ISO processes, not just that address energy use.

So you understand the quantity you are trying to improve. You make a plan for that. You do what's in the plan. You go back and check and make sure what you did, you know, moves you forward on that plan, and then you do further actions, I believe. But the "Plan, Do, Check, Act" cycle is a common feature of continuous energy improvement programs and also quality improvement initiatives.

- Q. Okay. Now, do you know for a fact Energy Trust of Oregon or Strategic Energy Group used the definition you just described, or are you just assuming they are?
- A. It's a general definition, so I'm not completely certain.
- Q. Okay. And I don't know if you still have that page up that you referred to originally with what elements the firms found most valuable.
 - A. Uh-huh.
- Q. And counsel for NRDC pointed out several quotes at the bottom of the page.
 - A. Uh-huh.
 - Q. Are you there?
- 23 A. Yes.

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Q. And that quote says, "Coaxing from Steven Scott was good... Got more value out of hands-on

- pushes from Steven than anything." Who is Steven Scott?
- A. Steven Scott is one of the SEG employees, Strategic Energy Group. So one of the features of these programs is they provide technical assistance to help a customer, you know, set an energy use baseline and metrics and end goals to improve that, and then help implement those, you know, an energy management plan. And so Steven Scott is one of the people who helped implement that.
 - Q. Okay. And what are the "hands-on pushes" that they refer to there?
 - A. I don't know.

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- Q. Now, as a model for a program you are suggesting, where would I find the budget that this program uses?
- A. It wouldn't be in this document. I'm not sure exactly where.
- Q. Okay. Well, let's assume the companies adopt a continuous improvement-energy improvement program. What budget would you recommend the companies allocate to it?
- A. So I don't have it right in front of me, but AEP Ohio proposes a continuous energy improvement program as part of their portfolio, and I think it's

- initially targeting 30 of the company's largest customers in the first year, and they have a budget for that, so I would suggest the companies start with the AEP proposal, but I don't have that right in front of me so I can't quote a budget figure.
 - Q. Okay. Well, regardless of budget, which of NRDC's members would have to pay for this program?
 - A. Can you be more specific?

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Q. Yeah. I know commercial customers have to pay, and I just don't know which customers you're representing. Which ones would have to pay?

EXAMINER PRICE: I'm not sure the NRDC represented they represent customers. I think they say they represent members who are interested in economic issues.

MS. KOLICH: Oh, okay. So the NRDC is not representing any customers in this case; is that right?

EXAMINER PRICE: That's not what you said in your motion to intervene, you are representing customers, did you?

MR. ALLWEIN: I had co-counsel at that time and -- but I believe it said something about NRDC members, many of which reside in the FirstEnergy service territory, but if there is a number in there,

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- EXAMINER PRICE: So to the extent your
 members are customers, they would be residential
 customers?
- 5 MR. ALLWEIN: I would say that's likely, 6 but I couldn't say for sure.
- THE WITNESS: We don't have any corporate members.
- 9 MS. KOLICH: Okay.
- MR. ALLWEIN: That I would say so for
- 11 sure.
- Q. (By Ms. Kolich) Now, you have an exhibit attached to your direct testimony, DES-1.
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. Could you pull that up, please.
- 16 A. I'm there.
- Q. Now, DES-1 was referenced in your testimony on page -- strike that.
- Does DES-1 support the calculation referenced on page 5, line 3 of your testimony?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Now, just so I understand it, if
 you're looking at the column to the right of Column E
 where you have notes?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. Now, you say that row 4, which is AEP, you excluded self-direct and demand response; is that right?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. Did you exclude anything else?
- A. Not that I recall.
- Q. Okay. And down on row -- row 5,

 FirstEnergy -- which let's clarify, that would be the companies?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And that would be the companies in the aggregate?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. Under your notes you say you excluded mercantile programs, direct load control program, and T&D program. I assume that means you excluded the results from those programs?
 - A. Yes; both the cost and the benefit of those programs and the savings from those programs.
 - Q. Okay. And what was your source for where you found those costs and benefits?
 - A. For both utilities or just FirstEnergy?
- Q. Just FirstEnergy.
 - A. So if you look at the source column --
- 25 Q. Uh-huh.

- A. -- if you look down at B-5 and C-5 and E-5.
 - Q. Okay. Now, is that list included in your notes on row 5 for FE, that's all-inclusive? You didn't exclude any other results?
 - A. Sorry, could you repeat that question?
 - Q. What you have listed there, those were the only results from only those programs that were excluded from your calculations; is that right?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Okay. Now, I just want to confirm your number on row 9, line E, that 1995.1, et cetera.
 - A. Uh-huh.
- Q. In order to get, that you multiplied the number in Column D, row 4, which is the net benefits per gigawatt hour for AEP, 162,409?
 - A. No.
 - Q. I'm sorry.
 - A. Do you want me to explain?
- Q. No. Hang on. I apologize. I had my arrow pointing at the wrong number. So the 1995.1, that's multiplying Column C, No. 1591, times -- why don't you tell me how you got that number.
- A. Yes. So the number in 9-E, the question

 I am trying to answer is if FirstEnergy got the same

percentage of its benchmarks from nonmercantile programs, non-T&D programs, how big would the portfolio be on a gigawatt-hour basis.

And so what I'm doing is just creating a ratio between C-4 for AEP and E-4 for AEP and multiplying that by -- just a minute. So, I'm sorry, I am making -- I am making a ratio and I -- I need a calculator to make sure I am doing this right but -- I'm sorry.

- Q. No. I'm just trying to figure out how you calculated the 1995.
- A. Okay. So the 1995 is comparing that 1097 number. You see that in C-5?
 - Q. Yes.

- A. Which is the amount of savings that the company -- this is FirstEnergy -- plans to get from nonmercantile, non-T&D programs to the ratio of AEP's Plan Savings from Nonmercantile, non-T&D programs to AEP's target. So I'm just comparing that to -- I'm comparing that 1097 number to that 1591.1 divided by 1270.
- Q. Okay. Now, the number right below it on row 10, Column E, that 324,091, do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, that number you got by multiplying

the number in Column D, row 4, which is the 162,409 times the 1995; is that right?

A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. Now, you're recommending that the companies -- I'm sorry. Are you done with that answer?
 - A. Just a minute.
 - O. Sure.
- A. I should have included better notes with this exhibit. I apologize for that. Yes, so the number in 10 is that 1995 times -- which is gigawatt-hours -- times the net benefits per gigawatt-hour that AEP is yielding from its portfolio, so that D-4.
- Q. Okay. So would I -- make sure I understand this. Is your point that you -- the companies -- if the companies -- this is demonstrating -- strike that. Forget that question.

Did you perform an analysis of how much the FE plan would cost during the plan period, the one that's before the Commission, if the companies would exclude the mercantile and non -- non -- exclude the mercantile and T&D results and replace them with other programs?

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- Q. Yes.

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- Α. No. I didn't look at the first cost of that or the budgetary impact.
- Okay. Now, if you will get your Q. supplemental testimony out, and I assure you the questions -- my questioning is not nearly as long. And if you will turn to your calculations on DES-3.
- 14 Α. Okay.
- 15 MS. KOLICH: Your Honors, at this time, 16 if you recall, a day or so ago counsel for NRDC 17 stipulated to the authenticity of a discovery 18 response.
- 19 EXAMINER PRICE: Yes.
- 20 MS. KOLICH: SC Set 3, Interrogatory No.
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- 2.2 EXAMINER PRICE: Yes.
- 23 MS. KOLICH: And it was marked as Company
- 24 Exhibit 15.
- 25 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

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                 EXAMINER PRICE: So marked.
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: Ms. Kolich, I see there is
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    a date on the Portfolio Progress Estimate page that
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     you just handed us. I was wondering if you could --
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- Q. (By Ms. Kolich) Mr. Sullivan, do you have DES-3 through 5 with you?
 - A. I do.

- Q. Let's look at DES-3, please.
- A. Okay. I'm there.
- Q. Okay. Now, this is a calculation of the cumulative benchmarks, cumulative savings; is that right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And just for clarity and so everybody is on the same page as to what we are talking about, how do you define cumulative savings?
- A. I define cumulative savings in a given year as the impact that the measures that the companies has installed through the end of the reporting period in that year.
- Q. Okay. And on Column 3 you have a "cumulative benchmark" reference. For purposes of making sure the record is clear, how do you define "cumulative benchmark"?
- A. So, Kathy, I think I just -- I didn't really understand what you were saying in the previous question. I thought you meant generally. You are talking about in the table, how do I define it?

- Q. Yes, I'm sorry. Let's start over.
- A. Okay.

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- Q. And we will start with Column 3. You have the cumulative benchmark listed there. How -- what do you mean there? What are you referring to?
- A. What I'm referring to there is the amount of energy savings that the company has to get on a -- on a cumulative basis in that year, in that recording year, and "cumulative" just means the addition of each year's incremental energy savings goal.
 - Q. Could you give an example?
- A. Sure. So the 2009 goal was .3 percent of load, the 2010 was .5 percent of load, so the cumulative goal for 2010 would be .8 percent of goal, adding that .3 and .5.
- Q. Okay. Now, on column 5 you refer to "Cumulative Savings From Existing Plan." Do you see that?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, I'm not worried about what you mean by -- from the existing plan, but I want to know what -- how do you define "cumulative savings"?
 - A. In this column?
- Q. Sure. Okay. In this column I define
 "Cumulative Saving From Existing Plan" as the

1007 information that we had for what the companies -- the 1 2 companies' assessment of cumulative savings were as 3 of the collaborative meeting on September 24, which 4 we just marked as Company Exhibit 20. 5 MS. KOLICH: To answer counsel's 6 question, the Company Exhibit 15 was submitted or 7 provided to the parties on September 25. 8 MR. ALLWEIN: Thank you. And was that at 9 the end of the day? MS. KOLICH: I have no idea. 10 11 MR. ALLWEIN: Subject to check, I think 12 it was at 5:00 o'clock. 13 MS. KOLICH: Okay. 14 EXAMINER PRICE: Can I ask what difference it makes? 15 16 MR. ALLWEIN: Perhaps none --17 EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. Great. 18 MR. ALLWEIN: -- at this point. 19 MS. KOLICH: We can discuss the discovery 20 requests we got Friday at 5:30. 21 EXAMINER PRICE: No, sorry I asked. 22 withdraw my question. 23 Okay. So let's look at Company Exhibit Q. 20. 24

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- So just so I'm clear you are going to Q. have to compare it with DES-3 and the columns in column 5 for CEI, the 651,443, matches up with that total megawatt-hour savings as of 7-31-12 under the CEI column; is that right?
 - Α. Yes.
 - Q. And that was the source of that number --
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- -- on column 5 DES-3. Q.
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- 11 Okay. And the same source was used to 0. 12 obtain the 597,160 for Ohio Edison?
- 13 Α. Yes.
- And the same source, namely, Company 14 15 Exhibit 20, was used to -- for purposes of the 16 279,820 to Toledo Edison; is that right?
- 17 Α. Yes.
- Okay. Now, if you look at Company 18 0. 19 Exhibit 20, the -- at the top it indicates that these 20 -- no, strike that.
- Let's look at line 3, "Mercantile 21 22 Customer Sited Programs" on Company Exhibit 20. Now, 23 you see that note at the bottom about mercantile 24 customer sited results.
- 25 Α. Yes.

Q. And those results represent the savings achieved on a pro rata basis as of September 18, 2012; is that right?

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- A. So it is on a pro rata basis, but I know that on Mercantile Customer Sited Programs there's often a small difference between annualized and pro rata unlike other programs because they may have happened in the past, and so the full impact of that can be recognized in that, you know, in the year.
- Q. Okay. Thank you for that clarification. But those results included on line 3 under Mercantile Customer Sited Programs are based -- are the results as of September 18, 2012; is that right?
 - A. Yes. And I do note that in my testimony.
- Q. Yep. And up at the top left corner under "Portfolio Progress Estimate" the remainder of the results included on this document are results as of July 31, 2012; is that right?
- A. Yes. So more measures could be implemented during the year.
- Q. Okay. Now, you don't know what those numbers included in this chart if we were going to substitute these numbers for the results at the end of the year. You don't know what those numbers would be, do you?

- A. You're right, and I don't even know the assumptions that go into these numbers.
- Q. Okay. Now, looking at line -- or, yeah, the line entitled "Total Megawatt-Hour Savings as of 7-31-12," and the line right below it "2012 Benchmark estimate." Do you see those two lines?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Now, if I subtracted the benchmark estimate, let's take Ohio Edison as an example, the 548,952, and I subtracted that from the 597,160 right above it, wouldn't that generate excess savings that could be banked for future years' use?
- A. If all of these numbers in the table, you know, from residential programs to transmission and distribution programs are correct, then, yes, it would.
 - Q. Okay.
- A. But the -- I'm unsure about, you know, what -- what is actually included in all these -- in all these numbers. For example, residential programs might include the impact of previous years on my audit programs, and those savings don't accumulate so I can't be sure.
- Q. Okay. But the assumption that you've made if -- if the numbers are correct, the difference

between the total megawatt-hour savings and the benchmark estimate would result in surplus that could be -- that is commonly referred to as being banked for future years' use?

A. Yes.

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- Q. Now, if you turn to DES-4, this analysis does not factor in any bank that the companies may have generated prior to 2012, does it?
- A. No, it doesn't. This is based on the plan's programs.
- Q. Okay. Do you know what the companies banked -- banked excess is as of the first of 2012?
- A. I don't know with certainty. I know that the companies are claiming a large bank with respect to CEI but, you know, every other utility has been adding to that bank. I don't think anybody has ever used it, so I'm not sure how it would be used going forward.
 - Q. Okay.
- A. And I don't want to -- I don't want to stipulate to the voracity of the savings in that bank --
 - O. Understood.
- 24 A. -- so.
- Q. Okay. But my question is do you know

what the companies' banked balance is as of the end of 2011?

A. Okay.

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EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Sullivan, I'm confused. You seem to be selectively saying you rely on this companies' number but not that companies' number. Can you explain? Are some taken from regulatory filings, therefore, you think they have more reliability, or is this you just have to look at what you have?

THE WITNESS: So I think what -- what I treat with most confidence is the companies' projected savings from the programs in this plan, and, you know, I am comfortable using those in DES-4 and DES-5. And I have spent some time with the companies' portfolio status results that represent the impact in 2010 and 2011. Those are very difficult to understand and --

EXAMINER PRICE: I won't disagree.

THE WITNESS: And, you know, unwinding those and coming up with a credible assessment of what the companies' bank is is very, very difficult, but I'm most confident in what the companies are projecting from the programs in this plan.

EXAMINER PRICE: You are more comfortable

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THE WITNESS: Well, I think for the point

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planning to do in this case, I'm most comfortable

5 | with those projections, you know, because the point

6 I'm trying to make here is that the companies didn't

7 propose a plan that it thinks can meet the

8 incremental benchmarks, if that makes sense.

EXAMINER PRICE: I understand what you're saying. Thank you.

- Q. (By Ms. Kolich) Okay. Just a couple of cleanup questions which I found I forgot to ask.
- 13 This document on DES-4 deals with the incremental
- 15 A. That's correct.
 - Q. All right. And on Company Exhibit 20 have you seen this document before?

benchmarks on a prorated basis; is that correct?

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- Q. And where have you seen this document?
- A. I saw it -- and this is the Portfolio
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- 23 Q. Okay. Now, on DES-5.
- 24 A. Yes.
 - Q. This document is the "Incremental

1014 1 Benchmarks" on an "Annualized Savings Basis"; is that 2 right? 3 Α. Yes. 4 And this document doesn't factor in any Q. 5 surplus bank that the companies may have as of the end of 2011, does it? 6 7 No, it doesn't. Α. 8 MS. KOLICH: If I could have just one 9 minute, your Honor? EXAMINER PRICE: You may. 10 11 MR. ALLWEIN: Your Honor, may I step out 12 of the room while they have their moment, please? 13 EXAMINER PRICE: Sure. Off the record. 14 (Discussion off the record.) 15 EXAMINER PRICE: Ms. Kolich. 16 MS. KOLICH: Thank you, your Honor. 17 further questions. 18 EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Parram. 19 MR. PARRAM: Just a couple. 20 EXAMINER PRICE: You can sit down now. 21 was trying to save you. 2.2 23 CROSS-EXAMINATION By Mr. Parram: 24 25 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Sullivan.

- A. Good afternoon.
- Q. If you could turn to page 19 of your direct testimony, not the supplemental. I can't recall, which exhibit is that?

EXAMINER PRICE: Direct is 4, NRDC 4.

O. NRDC 4.

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- A. Yes. Page 19?
- Q. Yes. And I'm looking specifically at the table in your testimony for the shared savings incentive mechanism that you recommend.
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And for the shared savings incentive mechanism there you are recommending, if the companies reach the level of 100 percent of their statutory benchmark, is it your recommendation that they should receive an incentive?
- A. Yes, it's my recommendation that that triggers an incentive.
- Q. Okay. Are you aware if AEP Ohio has an incentive mechanism, a shared savings incentive mechanism?
 - A. Yes, they do.
- Q. Are you aware if their shared savings incentive mechanism triggers actual incentives after -- once the companies reach 100 percent, or is

it when it's above 100 percent?

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- A. I think it might be when it's above 100 percent, but I think that's sort of an angel's on the head of a pin kind of argument because I think the difference between 100 percent and 1 megawatt-hour more than 100 percent, I don't really see that as a substantive difference but what I'm saying is I don't think there is like a dead band in AEP's incentive mechanism whereby, you know, they don't get an incentive if they reach -- until they reach 101 percent of the benchmarks, but I could be wrong.
- Q. And the same question for Duke Energy Ohio, are you aware if they have a shared savings mechanism?
 - A. Yes, they do.
- Q. And are you aware if their mechanism is -- shared savings mechanism is structured where they have to go above the statutory benchmark before --
- A. So I think you are probably right. It says greater than 100 percent.
 - Q. Okay.
 - A. Not greater than or equal to 100 percent.
 - Q. And can you go to page 25 of your direct

testimony.

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A. Yes.

EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Sullivan, just to clarify, though, you think it is a really irrelevant question. Nobody lands exactly at 100 percent. You are either going to be above or below.

THE WITNESS: Yeah, yeah. Maybe this company, I don't know.

EXAMINER PRICE: You do recall

Mr. Ouellette's testimony in the last portfolio.

MS. KOLICH: Let's not bring that up, please.

EXAMINER PRICE: Sorry, Mr. Parram.

MR. PARRAM: No, that's okay.

- Q. (By Mr. Parram) On page 25, I'm at line 7 where it says, "The Companies should not be liable for non-compliance penalties for the non-performance of its residential portfolio."
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And I'm wondering when you say "not be liable," I think you discussed this a little bit earlier, but I want to expand on it, is it your position that the companies should not -- if they don't hit the statutory benchmark, that they would not be assessed any forfeiture by the Commission?

A. What I'm proposing here is that the companies not be assessed a compliance penalty for the residential portion of whatever the goal is so that there -- so that, you know, for the programs that they run, that they be held to kind of a net of residential target so -- so what they -- what they would achieve net of residential, I either based on what -- you know, the share of load or what they planned to get from those programs in this plan.

- Q. Okay. So -- and I understand you're talking about specifically for the residential portion, but if it ultimately ends up being below the statutory benchmark, is it your testimony that although they fall below the statutory requirements, they still should not be held liable for that?
- A. So are you saying if the residential portfolio fails to deliver?
- Q. No, in total, the total statutory benchmark. I understand you're separating out the residential portion of it but in total. The residential portion is incorporated into the total statutory benchmark; am I correct?
 - A. Yes.

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Q. So if ultimately the residential portion because they -- they were unable to reach that

benchmark leads to an overall noncompliance with the statutory benchmark, is it your testimony that the companies would not be liable for the total statutory benchmark?

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- A. So if -- if the -- so, say, for example, the companies plan to get a proportional share of their benchmarks from every sector, industrial, commercial, and residential, what I'm saying here is that if it's residential sector underperformance that causes -- that would cause them to be below the benchmark, the companies shouldn't be held liable for that.
- Q. And are you envisioning the Commission -- how do you envision the Commission structuring this?

 Through an order?
- A. Yes, yes, through an order in this case setting up, you know, a planning process to get this done basically, but.
- Q. And are you aware, I guess, the

 Commission has authority to say that although the

 companies fall short of the statutory benchmarks,

 they are not going to be held responsible for that?
- A. I'm not aware if the Commission has that authority.
 - MR. PARRAM: That's all I have, your

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                 Mr. Sullivan, you're excused.
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FirstEnergyPOR Volume V 1021 Mr. Allwein. 1 2 MR. ALLWEIN: Let's finish this thing up 3 here. Your Honors, I would move for the -- well, okay. At this time I would move for the admission of 4 5 Natural Resources Defense Council Exhibits No. 4 and No. 5. 6 7 EXAMINER PRICE: Let's go off the record. 8 (Discussion off the record.) 9 EXAMINER PRICE: Back on the record. 10

Any objection to the admission of NRDC

Exhibits 4 and 5?

12 MS. KOLICH: Yes, your Honor.

13 EXAMINER PRICE: Let's take them one at a 14 time. Any objection to the admission of NRDC Exhibit 4? 15

16 MS. KOLICH: No.

EXAMINER PRICE: That exhibit will be 17

admitted. 18

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19 (EXHIBIT ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE.)

20 EXAMINER PRICE: Any objection to NRDC

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2.2 MS. KOLICH: Yes.

23 EXAMINER PRICE: Grounds?

24 MS. KOLICH: Your Honors, while I hate to

25 ask the Bench to reconsider the prior ruling, given

the information that came to light during the deposition, I beg your indulgence. NRDC relied on 4901:1-29(C) when seeking leave to file supplemental testimony out of time.

This request was premised on a representation made by NRDC that it could not with reasonable diligence file the information included in the supplemental testimony within the established filing deadlines.

I will concede that no amount of diligence would have allowed NRDC to file the information included in the supplemental testimony, only because it hadn't dawned on them to create the analyses and put the supporting testimony together until 10 days after the filing deadline.

Now, certainly OAC 4901:1-29(C) was not created to accommodate this situation and to allow this testimony to be admitted into the record under these circumstances would create a very dangerous precedent and make a mockery of the rule.

And, accordingly, the companies respectfully ask that NRDC 5 not be admitted into the evidence.

EXAMINER PRICE: We are going to go ahead and we will reconsider our ruling, but we will affirm

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    to depose Mr. Sullivan and fully litigate all of the
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     issues raised in NR -- by Mr. Sullivan in his
    testimony. Therefore, NRDC Exhibit 5 will be
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     Company Exhibit 15 and Company Exhibit 20?
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                 MR. ALLWEIN: No objection.
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                 MR. KELTER: Mr. Kelter.
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                 MR. KELTER: ELPC would like to call
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    Jeffrey Crandall.
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    please be seated and state your name and business
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                 THE WITNESS: My name is Geoffrey C.
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    Crandall, address is 1800 Parmenter Street, Suite
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    204, Middleton, Wisconsin.
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                 EXAMINER PRICE: Please proceed.
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                      GEOFFREY C. CRANDALL
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    being first duly sworn, as prescribed by law, was
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- 1 testimony, a document marked ELPC and OEC Exhibit 1
 2 and the attachments GCC-1 through 9?
 - A. Yes, I do.

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- Q. Was that exhibit prepared by you or under your supervision?
 - A. Yes, it was.
 - Q. Do you have any changes to that document?
- A. I had one small change. Page 3, line 5, strike the word "non." That is the only change that I have.
- Q. If I asked you the same questions today
 that are in your testimony, would your answers be the
 same?
- 14 A. Yes, they would.
- MR. KELTER: Thank you. The witness is tendered for cross.
- MS. LOUCAS: No questions.
- EXAMINER PRICE: No, no. He is on behalf of OEC. You don't get to ask.
- MS. LOUCAS: Yes, exactly. Thank you.
- 21 EXAMINER PRICE: I was just looking for
- 22 Mr. Allwein.
- 23 Mr. Allwein.
- 24 MR. ALLWEIN: I have no questions, your
- 25 Honor.

1026 1 EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Somoza. 2 MR. SOMOZA: No questions, your Honor. 3 EXAMINER PRICE: Ms. Kern. 4 MS. KERN: No questions, your Honor. 5 EXAMINER PRICE: Ms. Kyler. 6 MS. KYLER: No questions. 7 EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Oliker. 8 MR. OLIKER: No questions, your Honor. 9 EXAMINER PRICE: Ms. Dunn. MS. DUNN: Thank you, your Honor. 10 11 12 CROSS-EXAMINATION 13 By Ms. Dunn: 14 Good afternoon, Mr. Crandall. Q. 15 Α. Good afternoon. 16 Thanks for being here. I know you had Ο. quite a trip, so hopefully get you in and out quickly 17 so you can relax. 18 19 My name is Carrie Dunn. I am one of the 20 attorneys for the companies in this case. 21 If you could please turn to your 22 testimony on page 4, line 14, and there you state "I 23 believe the proposed programs have improved compared 24 to the original proposed plans." Do you see that? 25 Α. Yes.

- Q. Now, the original proposed plans that you are referring to, are you referring to the current 2009 to 2012 plans?
 - A. Yes, I am.

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- Q. Thank you. And then moving on down to page 4 down at the bottom, lines 21 to 22, you indicate "There is a need to embrace a continual, long-term effort to build customer awareness of energy efficiency." Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Now, you are aware that the companies are proposing an energy efficiency kit for residential customers in this case?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And the kits are one approach in educating consumers, aren't they?
 - A. Yes, they are.
- Q. As it relates to the marketing of energy efficiency measures, you did not review the companies' website with regard to their energy efficiency messages in preparation for your testimony, did you?
- A. I did review the website one or two occasions during 2012.
 - Q. But that was not in preparation for your

testimony.

- A. That's correct.
- Q. Now, you have attended a few of the collaborative meetings for the companies' plans, haven't you?
 - A. Yes, I have.
- Q. Now, although you attended a few of the collaborative meetings, you did not raise marketing materials as a concern, did you?
 - A. No, I did not.
- Q. Now, I would like to turn to page 5 relating to your data center recommendations. Now, the companies in their plans -- their proposed plans do make available funds for certain data measure -- data center measures, don't they?
 - A. Yes, they do.
- Q. And in your Exhibit GCC-4 relating to the program at XL Energy, you did not help design that program, did you?
 - A. No, I did not.
- Q. And you do not know what the participation rates are under this program, do you?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And you also do not know how much money

 XL budgeted for that program, do you?

A. No, I do not.

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- Q. Now, regarding your recommendations to LED street lighting, I know you cite to one of the companies' tariffs, the one of company-owned street lighting. Is your recommendation solely to company-owned street lighting?
- A. My recommendation is that the utility review both company-owned, company-operated, as well as customer-owned, and customer-operated street lighting options. The exhibit I referred to, the street lighting rate STL, is a company-owned option. That would be a natural first step to review the acquisition of additional street lighting under this tariff and it would be a natural place to start to look at the use of LED lighting by its customers.
- Q. Are you aware that the companies' proposed plan does have a program for LED street lighting for customer-owned facilities?
 - A. Yes, I am.
- Q. And you do not know if AEP offers an LED street lighting program either for its customers or company owned, do you?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. And the same question for Duke?
 - A. That's correct.

- Q. And the same question for Dayton Power and Light?
 - A. That's correct.

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- Q. Now, turning to your recommendations regarding T12 to T8 lighting which is located on page 11 of your testimony. You don't know that the companies offer lower rebates for T8 standard lighting than T8 high efficiency or T5 lighting, do you?
- A. There is a rebate offer that was identified in the plan and it does apply to both standard and nonstandard linear fluorescents.
- Q. Are you aware if the rebate is different for standard T8 lighting than either high efficiency T8 lighting or T5 lighting?
- A. There would be a greater incentive for the higher performance, more expensive lighting, yes.
- Q. Now, at the time of your testimony, were you aware of the rebate levels in the companies' plan?
- A. I reviewed the rebate levels both at the technical meeting in September in Columbus as well as what was submitted in their -- in their plans.
- Q. And in this case -- or in your testimony you're not prepared to propose specific rebate

levels, are you?

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- A. No, I'm not. I think it's important that the companies have flexibility with the rebate levels and to assess the customer uptake and the market conditions and to be able to react to that.
- Q. Now, for -- I know you have been in Ohio before in one of our cases so you are familiar with the Ohio TRM, correct?
 - A. Yes, I am.
- Q. And are you aware that the Commission does allow the companies to count measures for standard T8 lamps?
 - A. It's my understanding that is the case.
- Q. Now, in your testimony you offer some recommendations regarding the administrative process regarding the implementation of commercial and industrial energy efficiency programs, correct?
 - A. Right.
- Q. You don't know if there were reasons that applications were taking longer than people may have liked, do you?
- A. Well, there were reasons. I don't know what those reasons were specifically. I know that the Hospital Association consulting engineers and the evaluation done by ADM there were some problems,

1 delayed processing time, delayed time to receive 2 incentive payments after projects were completed. And those reasons were implementation oriented and 3 management oriented, don't know precisely what the 4 5 internal reasons were, but I know that the customers 6 were not happy and trade allies were not happy with 7 the long period of time required to process 8 applications and then to have access to incentive 9 payments. 10 MS. DUNN: Your Honor, I would move to 11 strike everything after -- my question was asking if 12 he knew what the reasons were and he said "no." 13 MR. KELTER: Can I respond to that? 14 EXAMINER PRICE: You may. 15 MR. KELTER: I think he was asked a 16 question about whether he knew the reasons, and he gave the basis for his answer. 17 18 MS. DUNN: That was not my question. 19 EXAMINER PRICE: We're going to deny the 20 motion to strike, but we will ask the witness to try 21 to confine more carefully your answers to the 2.2 questions that are being asked by counsel. 23 THE WITNESS: Yes, your Honor. 24 0. (By Ms. Dunn) And for the

administrator -- excuse me. For the rebates you

don't know the terms and conditions for payment of rebate checks, do you?

- A. No, I do not.
- Q. And in 2012, you don't know what the average processing time was for those applications, do you?
 - A. I do not.
- Q. Now, on page -- on page 13 of your testimony, lines 14 to 16, you indicate the problem is that there are lingering questions regarding the installation rate for the measures included in the kits.
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And FirstEnergy has not addressed these questions in this filing, correct?
- A. Yes.

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- Q. You don't know what the installation rates are that the companies are using for its filing, do you?
- 20 A. The projected installation rates; is that 21 what you are referring to?
 - Q. Yes.
- A. I believe they projected installation rates for the CFLs on .88.
 - Q. If you could -- at the time of your

deposition though, you did not know what those rates were, did you?

- A. I don't believe so.
- Q. So you learned between your deposition and today what that rate is?
 - A. Yes.

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Q. And you do not know what the installation rate for -- well, let me go back.

You are aware that the companies use similar energy efficiency kits in Pennsylvania, correct?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And do you know what those installation rates were?
 - A. Depending on the -- depending on the companies --

EXAMINER PRICE: They are a little fuzzy.

THE WITNESS: Weak battery or something.

A. Depending on the companies. On page 64 of the statewide evaluator's report for Met-Ed, they were indicating a low installation rate of nightlights at 36 percent, faucet aerators

38 percent, and furnace whistles at 0 percent and there were a number of companies included in this study by the statewide evaluator's but those were

three in particular.

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There was concern by the statewide evaluators about the low installation rates, very low installation rates as they indicated here.

- Q. At the time of your deposition you didn't have those figures with you, correct?
- A. I believe in the deposition I referred to a 37 percent factor, and I think I indicated that I wasn't sure if that was on the kit in its totality or on particular measures, and since the deposition I reviewed the statewide evaluators' report that we provided to the companies and that's the reason I have these updated numbers, this information.
- Q. And is that for low -- Med-Ed's low income program?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And that doesn't include what the installation rates for CFLs are, does it?
- A. It may but I was referring to the note that the statewide evaluator made and concern about those low installation rates --
- Q. I guess the question I have for you is what you're looking at does not have rates for CFLs on that page, does it?
 - A. I don't see it in here.

- Q. Now, you have a recommendation in your testimony relating to prorated savings calculations, correct?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. You are not aware of any other state that requires pro rata savings, are you?
- A. Well, I haven't looked -- that's a difficult question because every state has a unique set of statutes or policies or Commission orders. So a pro rata savings estimate in Ohio may be different than a pro rata estimate methodology used in Michigan or Nevada or wherever. I don't think I can answer the question "yes" or "no" because I think it's unique to the circumstances within that state.

MS. DUNN: May I approach, your Honor? EXAMINER PRICE: You may.

Q. Now, Mr. Crandall, I would like to turn your attention to page 88 and 89 of your deposition, please.

Are you there?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And you'll see starting on line 25 Ms. Kolich asked, "Are you aware of any state other than Ohio that requires pro rata savings calculations versus annualized?" Your answer, "Yeah, I don't

- 1 I don't have an answer for that." Do you see 2 that?
- 3 Α. No.

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- Going from -- oh, yeah, lines 25 and then 4 5 line 1 and 2 and 3 on page 89.
 - Okay. I'm following you. Α.
- That's your deposition testimony, 7 Q. 8 correct?
- 9 Α. Yes, it is.
- 10 EXAMINER PRICE: Can you read the 11 question and answer back again.
- 12 (Record read.)
 - EXAMINER PRICE: I was just in the wrong spot in the deposition.
 - And during the collaborative you did not identify any concerns with the installation rate of the kits, did you?
- We were introduced to the idea of energy kits, I believe, at the September collaborative meeting. And at that point in time we were trying to understand what the companies had in mind before it 2.2 filed, or I guess this was shortly after they filed. 23 So I don't -- I think that meeting I would 24 characterize more as a meeting to understand the

proposal and to be able to ask questions and

understand it as opposed to a forum to articulate our opposition to particular program approaches or ideas, so we were trying to understand what the companies were putting down in designing, which is the nature of a collaborative.

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MS. DUNN: Your Honor, that response was unresponsive so I would like to strike the entire answer. I asked him "You did not identify any concerns with the installation kit, did you?"

EXAMINER PRICE: The motion to strike will be granted. The witness will be directed to respond directly to the question. In the event you have additional information that you believe the Commission should be aware of, I am certain your counsel will ask you that on redirect.

THE WITNESS: Yes, your Honor.

- Q. Can you please answer my question?
- A. Could you restate it, please?
- Q. Sure. During the collaborative you did not have any concerns with the installation rates of the kits, did you?
 - A. I do not believe so.
- Q. Now, you also make recommendations or criticisms relating to the companies' conservation voltage reduction study, correct, on pages 15 to 16?

A. Yes, that's correct.

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- Q. Now, as it relates to this study, if the companies do not implement any changes to their system, there will not be a request -- excuse me, there will not be a risk on damaging any sort of the companies' equipment, correct?
- A. Please reask your question. I'm not following it.
- Q. Sure. You are aware that the conservation reduction program is just a study and that the companies are not proposing changes, correct?
- A. No, I'm not. That's not my understanding. If -- if there are going to be actual operational adjustments in voltage fluctuations within a circuit, if that's part of the study, then, yes, I have a concern with that. If it's strictly a theoretical study in an analysis that does not include any mechanical or electrical adjustments, then I would refer to that as a study or understand that to be a study, but that was not my impression of what the companies had in mind here.
- Q. Now, you're not claiming that the plans that the companies are proposing here, that the plans do not meet the statutory targets for 2013 to 2015,

1040 1 are you? 2 Α. No, I am not. 3 And you aren't claiming that the Q. baselines were -- the baselines on which these 4 5 savings are -- which the savings targets are based aren't calculated properly, are you? 6 7 Α. No, I am not. 8 MS. DUNN: If you'll give me just one 9 moment. 10 EXAMINER PRICE: Take your time. 11 MS. DUNN: I have no further questions, 12 your Honor. EXAMINER PRICE: Thank you. 13 Mr. Parram. 14 15 MR. PARRAM: No questions, your Honor. 16 EXAMINER PRICE: Redirect? 17 MR. KELTER: Can we have a few minutes, your Honor? 18 19 EXAMINER PRICE: You may. Let's go off 20 the record. 21 (Discussion off the record.) 2.2 EXAMINER PRICE: Let's go back on the 23 record. Redirect. 24 25 MR. KELTER: Yes, your Honor.

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REDIRECT EXAMINATION

By Mr. Kelter:

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- Q. Mr. Crandall, I have a few questions for you. Do you recall Ms. Dunn asking you a question regarding the kits being an approach to educating consumers?
 - A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And I believe you said your answer was that -- that is one approach or something along those lines. Do you have any further thoughts on the value of the kits in educating consumers?
- A. Well, I believe the energy kits could contain information that would be useful for customers to go the next step to install lighting equipment or understand what the rebates are and to take action as a result of the audit and the kits. The proposal that I made was for a broader education customer awareness activity which would be trying to reach a high volume of people with general information, which is very common in the industry, and for that reason, it would be a general energy awareness campaign beyond what information a particular customer would have in a kit.
 - Q. And Ms. Dunn also asked you a question

regarding your knowledge of the processing time for 1 rebates in 2012. Do you recall that question? 2 3 Α. Yes, I do. Do you have an opinion on what the 4 5 appropriate processing time for rebates is? I think 30 days to 45 days would be 6 7 acceptable and desirable. 8 MR. KELTER: That's all the questions I 9 have. EXAMINER PRICE: Thank you. 10 11 Mr. Somoza. 12 MR. SOMOZA: No questions, your Honor. EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Allwein. 13 14 MR. ALLWEIN: No questions, your Honor. 15 EXAMINER PRICE: Ms. Kern. 16 MS. KERN: No, thank you. 17 EXAMINER PRICE: Ms. Kyler. MS. KYLER: No questions. 18 19 EXAMINER PRICE: Mr. Oliker. 20 MR. OLIKER: No questions, your Honor. 21 EXAMINER PRICE: EnerNOC. 2.2 MR. POULOS: No questions, your Honor. 23 EXAMINER PRICE: Ms. Dunn. 24 MS. DUNN: Thank you. I just have one clarification. 25

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RECROSS-EXAMINATION

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- Q. Mr. Crandall, when you just discussed a marketing campaign proposal, you're talking about a broad umbrella marketing campaign, correct?
 - A. A broad energy awareness effort, yes.

MS. DUNN: That's all I have, your Honor.

EXAMINER PRICE: Thank you, Mr. Parram.

MR. PARRAM: None, your Honor.

EXAMINER PRICE: Any questions?

EXAMINER CHILES: I have no questions.

EXAMINER PRICE: I have no questions.

You're excused. Thank you.

MR. KELTER: Your Honor, I would like to move for the admission of Mr. Crandall's testimony and the accompanying exhibits.

EXAMINER PRICE: Okay. Any objections to the admission of ELPC Exhibit 1?

Seeing none, it will be admitted.

(EXHIBIT ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE.)

EXAMINER PRICE: Let's go off the record.

(Discussion off the record.)

EXAMINER PRICE: Let's go back on the

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                  We will adjourn the hearing until Tuesday
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CERTIFICATE I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Friday, October 26, 2012, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes. Karen Sue Gibson, Registered Merit Reporter. (KSG-5604)

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