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Chairman Todd Snitchler  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Case no. 12-426-EL-SSO

Dear Chairman Snichler:

I am writing on behalf of the Mound Development Corporation ("MDC"), a not-for-profit 501.c.4 economic development organization that is redeveloping Mound. Mound is a 300 acre former United States Department of Energy nuclear weapons production site located in Miamisburg, Ohio. The site was identified for closure in 1993 by the federal government and since that time the community has been involved in determining the site's future use. This effort has not been without considerable challenge. The site was identified a United States Environmental Protection Agency Superfund site. This cold war environmental legacy, utility configuration, geographic location and a host of other challenges has made the redevelopment process a considerable challenge in achieving the community's vision of a science and technology center. As one might expect these challenges could not be overcome without considerable support from numerous community and business organizations. I am pleased to provide this letter to you outlining some of the support MDC has received from DP&L over the past 20 years. For simplicity sake a list of some of the support activities is provided below.

- To address the future power infrastructure of the site, DP&L provided feedback on the existing electric distribution system's (DOE owned) ability to intergrate with their own, and how a replacement system could be configured to service existing and proposed development.
- In order to support an initiative to promote better understanding of the renewable energy market to aspiring business consumers and suppliers, DP&L sponsored several "Mound Energy Roundtable" events. These events were designed to help manufactures understand the renewable market, make business connections, identify how they might become a part of the supply chain during a weak economic time, and when opportunities were just surfacing. The support was invaluable to finance the effort and to give the events standing in the community. These events were attended by hundreds of businesses and were considered a significant success

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in filling a networking and educational voids by the organizers.

- MDC and DP&L also partnered in the construction of the first customer specific solar array at Mound. The system was built on DOE owned property servicing an MDC leased building. The effort not only established a location for potential consumers to inspect the system, but also a template for future agreements. Both parties learned much through the negotiation process. The system provides approximately six (6%) percent of the power consumed by one MDC facility at below market rates.
- DP&L's energy rebate programs have been most beneficial to MDC. MDC has retrofitted numerous former DOE facilities to reduce power demand and improve their position in the market. The savings are passed on directly to our customers to support their growth.

The examples provided above are a few that come immediately to mind. No doubt that if DP&L were placed in a position to reduce its workforce service levels would be impacted as well as the community based activities like those referenced above.

I hope that this letter is of value to you and the Commission as it deliberates the matter at hand.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Grauwelman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mike Grauwelman  
President