BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of The)	
Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company,)	
Ohio Edison Company, and The Toledo)	Case No. 12-2190-EL-POR
Edison Company for Approval of Their)	Case No. 12-2191-EL-POR
Energy Efficiency and Peak Demand)	Case No. 12-2192-EL-POR
Reduction Program Plans for 2013 through)	
2015.)	

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE APPLICATION FOR REHEARING OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION OF EMC DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

EMC Development Company, Inc. (EMC) hereby files this Motion for Leave to File an Application for Rehearing pursuant to Section 4903.10, Revised Code (R.C.), and Rule 4901-1-35, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), or, in the alternative, to file a Motion for Clarification in the above-captioned cases. The reasons supporting this motion are detailed in the Memorandum in Support attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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Memorandum in Support

EMC is a member of PJM and, as a member, has qualified approximately 6,000 energy efficiency projects completed by its customers as energy efficiency resources in the PJM capacity market. The ability to bid capacity in the market is generally only available to large-scale projects; however, working with local Ohio partners, EMC aggregates smaller projects in order to qualify them for participation in PJM capacity auctions. EMC has, over the past three years, bid attributes from these projects into PJM capacity auctions. EMC provides a significant portion of the proceeds from the auctions to participating customers who have implemented the energy efficiency projects. EMC provides a cost-effective means for Ohio ratepayers who have completed energy efficiency projects to derive value from those projects in PJM's market. A number of the projects EMC has, in the past, aggregated for purposes of PJM capacity auctions, and wishes to continue to aggregate in the future, are located in FirstEnergy's service territory in Ohio.

Section 4903.10, R.C., provides, in pertinent part,

After any order has been made by the public utilities commission, any party who has entered an appearance in person or by counsel in the proceeding may apply for a rehearing in respect to any matters determined in the proceeding. * * * Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, * * * any affected person, firm, or corporation may make an application for a rehearing within thirty days after the entry of any final order upon the journal of the commission. Leave to file an application for rehearing shall not be granted to any person, firm, or corporation who did not enter an appearance in the proceeding unless the commission first finds:

- (A) The applicant's failure to enter an appearance prior to the entry upon the journal of the commission of the order complained of was due to just cause; and,
- (B) The interests of the applicant were not adequately considered in the proceeding.

EMC did not enter an appearance in these cases prior to the Commission's July 17, 2013 Entry on Rehearing (Entry on Rehearing) in these matters because its interests were not affected until the issuance of the Entry on Rehearing. In the Entry on Rehearing, the Commission states, inter alia, that

[M]ercantile customers who participate in the other utility programs set forth in the program portfolio plans *may be required* to transfer ownership of the energy attributes to the Companies for bidding into the PJM auctions.

Entry on Rehearing at ¶ 13.

Many of EMC's customers are mercantile customers who participate in the other utility programs that make up FirstEnergy's program portfolio. The Commission's Entry on Rehearing may have significant implications for EMC's customers, and by extension, EMC, through the restriction imposed on such customers, in specific instances, to commit the capacity attributes from their energy efficiency projects to EMC for purposes of aggregating and bidding these resources into PJM auctions. Many of EMC's customers have committed these attributes to EMC since 2011, which was the first instance in which PJM permitted the bidding of energy efficiency resources into these auctions. The language above could eliminate the right of customers to assign these attributes to EMC, and by extension, may eradicate EMC's ability to serve these customers and aggregate their energy efficiency attributes for sale in PJM auctions. The Commission's Entry on Rehearing language may significantly diminish the opportunity for EMC to serve customers who participate in the utility programs referenced therein. Additionally, the statements preceding this provision are unclear as to which programs would be affected by the Commission's decision. Because the Commission's use of this language occurs only in its latest decision in the above-captioned cases, and may initiate the consequences

explained above, just cause exists to substantiate EMC's decision not to enter an appearance in these cases prior to the journaling of the Entry on Rehearing.

Further, due to its unique situation in the energy efficiency marketplace and the lack of participation by any similarly-situated parties in these cases, EMC's interests in these cases have not been adequately considered by the Commission. This stems in part from a lack of recognition by many parties, and possibly the Commission, that companies which provide the type of services that EMC performs currently serve this need in the marketplace. Supporting the idea that many active entities in the energy markets are unaware that third party aggregation services for attributes arising from smaller-scale energy efficiency projects exist is the fact that the identity of aggregators, or any bidders of these resources in the PJM auctions, is not disclosed. This fact has delayed the recognition by many parties that a competitive market, outside of the provision of these services by utilities, readily exists and is in many cases thriving, resulting in the bidding of more capacity resources into PJM auctions and driving down the price of such resources. The Entry on Rehearing does not consider the interests of companies like EMC, who are performing an important service in the market, before impeding their ability to perform these services in many instances. Unfortunately, and contrary to Ohio laws such as Section 4928.02, R.C., which encourages the use by Ohio entities of energy efficiency programs and alternative energy resources in their businesses, the Commission's Entry on Rehearing may preclude the opportunity of competitive providers of services connected with energy efficiency resources to operate successfully in the Ohio marketplace. This result works against the policies and regulations promoting competition in the electric marketplace in Ohio that have been in place since the advent of deregulation.

Given that EMC's decision not to enter an appearance prior to the filing of the Entry on Rehearing is supported by just cause, as outlined above, and EMC's interests, including the effect the Commission's decision may have on its business model and the choices of its existing customers, were not considered in rendering the decision, the Commission should grant EMC's Motion for Leave to File an Application for Rehearing or, in the alternative, a Motion for Clarification in these matters. Accordingly, EMC respectfully requests that the Commission grant its motion.

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