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Ms. Amy B. Spiller, Deputy General Counsel  
Duke Energy Business Services LLC  
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Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-0960

Re: Case No. 14-1622-GA-ALT

Dear Ms. Spiller:

In compliance with Commission Rule 4901:1-19-07(A)(1), this letter is to inform you that the application filed by Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke) on January 20, 2015 (Application) in the above referenced case is in substantial compliance with Rule 4901:1-19-06 which establishes the filing requirements for alternative rate plan applications filed pursuant to section 4929.05 of the Revised Code. The application provides sufficient information for Staff to continue its investigation. However, the following items set forth in Rule 4901:1-19(D)(6) must be provided before the application can be considered in technical compliance with the rule:

1. It does not include testimony in support of the Application in accordance with Rule 4901:1-19-06(B)(1);
2. It does not contain any indication or evidence that Duke has complied with Rule 4901:1-19-06(B)(2) requiring an applicant to provide a copy of its alternative rate plan to the Office of the Ohio Consumers Counsel and to each party in its most recent alternative rate plan or rate case proceeding; and,
3. It does not identify the sponsor for Exhibit A of the Application pursuant to Rule 4901:1-19-06(C)(6).

Duke filed a Motion for Waiver of the rule requirements enumerated above on February 17, 2015. Should the Commission grant Duke's Motion, then the Application will be in technical compliance with Rule 4901:1-19-06(B)(1).

Sincerely,

Patrick Donlon, Director  
Rates & Analysis Department

cc: Jeanne W. Kingery, Associate General Counsel

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