## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE 2016 REVIEW OF THE DELIVERY CAPITAL RECOVERY RIDER CONTAINED IN THE TARIFFS OF OHIO EDISON COMPANY, THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY, AND THE TOLEDO EDISON COMPANY.

CASE NO. 16-2041-EL-RDR

## ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on May 24, 2017

**{¶ 1}** Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Toledo Edison Company (collectively, FirstEnergy) are electric distribution utilities as defined in R.C. 4928.01(A)(6) and public utilities as defined in R.C. 4905.02, and, as such, are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

**{¶ 2}** On August 25, 2010, the Commission issued an Opinion and Order approving a modified combined stipulation, authorizing FirstEnergy to establish a delivery capital recovery rider (Rider DCR) effective January 1, 2012. *In re Ohio Edison Co., The Cleveland Elec. Illum. Co., and The Toledo Edison Co.,* Case No. 10-388-EL-SSO (*ESP Il Case*), Opinion and Order (Aug. 25, 2010). Rider DCR provides for recovery of property taxes, commercial activity tax, and associated income taxes, and the opportunity to earn a return on and of plant-in-service associated with distribution, subtransmission, and general and intangible plant. Additionally, under the terms of the stipulation, FirstEnergy agreed to submit to an annual audit review process of Rider DCR. Thereafter, on March 31, 2016, the Commission issued an Opinion and Order in Case No. 14-1297-EL-SSO, approving an extension, with modifications, of FirstEnergy's Rider DCR and the annual audit review process. *In re Ohio Edison Co., The Cleveland Elec. Illum. Co., and The Toledo Edison Co.*, Case No. 14-1297-EL-SSO (*ESP IV Case*), Opinion and Order (Mar. 31, 2016) at 25, 93, 111.

**{¶ 3}** By Entry issued December 7, 2016, the Commission selected Blue Ridge Consulting Services, Inc. (Blue Ridge) to conduct the 2016 annual audit and investigation of FirstEnergy's Rider DCR. On May 1, 2017, Blue Ridge submitted its compliance audit of FirstEnergy's Rider DCR.

**{¶ 4**} At this time, the attorney examiner finds that it is appropriate and consistent with the Opinion and Order in the *ESP IV Case* to allow interested persons to file comments on the audit report filed by Blue Ridge on May 1, 2017. Therefore, comments and reply comments on the audit report may be filed no later than July 7, 2017, and August 7, 2017, respectively.

**{¶ 5}** It is, therefore,

**{**¶ **6}** ORDERED, That interested persons file comments and reply comments on the audit report no later than July 7, 2017, and August 7, 2017, respectively. It is, further,

**{**¶ 7**}** ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record.

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s/Megan Addison

By: Megan J. Addison Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry directing interested persons file comments and reply comments on the audit report no later than 07/07/2017 and 08/07/2017, respectively. - electronically filed by Sandra Coffey on behalf of Megan Addison, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio