BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Ohio Edison Company for Authority to Issue, Renew or Assume Liability on Notes and Other Evidences of Indebtedness Pursuant to O.R.C. §4905.401

Case No. 19-1875-EL-AIS

Applicant, Ohio Edison Company (the "Company"), respectfully represents:

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- The Company is an Ohio corporation engaged in the distribution of electric energy for sale to customers in Ohio under rates and tariffs approved by this Commission.
- 2. O.R.C. §4905.401(A) provides an exception which permits the Company, without action by this Commission, to issue, renew or assume liability on notes and other evidences of indebtedness maturing not more than twelve months after the date of such issuance, renewal or assumption of liability (collectively, "Short-Term Notes") of not more than 5% of the par value of the other outstanding stocks, bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness of the Company (the "Statutory Exemption Limit"). The Statutory Exemption Limit for the Company at June 30, 2019, is \$86,267,182. On December 19, 2018, this Commission approved the Company's participation in the Money Pool during the January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019 period (the "December 2018 Order") and on June 19, 2019 for the July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 period (the "June 2019 Order") in its Finding and Orders in Case No. 18-1428- EL-AIS, *et al.* (the December 2018 Order"). The

2018 Order authorized the Company to have short-term notes outstanding including the Statutory Exemption Limit, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$500,000,000. During the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 (the "2020 Fiscal Year"), the Company estimates that it may again need to exceed the Statutory Exemption Limit.

- 3. Pursuant to the provisions of O.R.C. §4905.401, the Company requests the Commission to authorize the Company to have Short-Term Notes outstanding at any one time during the 2020 Fiscal Year in an aggregate principal amount up to \$500,000,000 (the "Authorized Principal") (such Authorized Principal to include the Statutory Exemption Limit).
- 4. The Company further requests that the Commission approve that the Authorized Principal, or any part thereof issued, renewed or assumed or to be issued, renewed or assumed, be in addition to any long-term financing that the Company may require during the 2020 Fiscal Year and which this Commission may approve pursuant to O.R.C. §4905.40.
- 5. The Company respectfully represents that the issuance and renewal of, or assumption of liability on, Short-Term Notes, from time to time, and the money to be procured therefrom, are reasonably required and necessary for the Company's lawful capital purposes. Such Short-Term Notes may be issued to provide funds for regulated utility purposes including: current maturities of existing obligations, retirement of securities through open market purchases, redemption of securities through applicable redemption provisions, loans to the Money Pool (as defined in Paragraph 6 below), working capital and for general corporate purposes. Prior to

their use, such funds may be invested in highly liquid short-term investments. Pursuant to O.R.C. §4905.41, the Company incorporates herein by reference the following exhibits:

- a. "<u>Exhibit A</u>," Balance Sheet including Statement of Capitalization as of June 30, 2019; and
- b. "Exhibit B," Statement of Income for the Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2019.
- 6. This Commission, in its 2018 Order, previously approved a utility money pool contract (the "Money Pool") in order to establish an intra-system financing arrangement, by and among the Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company ("CEI"), the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Pennsylvania Power Company ("Penn Power"), The Toledo Edison Company ("TE"), American Transmission Systems, Incorporated ("ATSI"), FirstEnergy Corp., solely as a lender, FirstEnergy Service Company, solely as administrator and not as a lender or borrower, Jersey Central Power & Light Company, Pennsylvania Electric Company ("PN"), Metropolitan Edison Company ("ME"), Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, LLC, Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company, West Penn Power Company, Trans-Allegheny Interstate Line Company and Waverly Electric Power & Light Company (each a "2018 Participating Company", collectively called the "2019 Participating Companies"), and for the issuance and acquisition of Short-Term Notes of 2018 Participating Companies in connection therewith, through December 31, 2019.

- 7. The Company hereby requests that the Commission's approval of the Money Pool be extended through December 31, 2020 and that the Authorized Principal shall include Short-Term Notes of the Company outstanding under the Money Pool by the Company.
- 8. The 2019 Participating Companies may contribute funds to the Money Pool from the following sources: (a) surplus funds from 2019 Participating Companies ("Internal Funds"), and (b) proceeds borrowed from external sources by the 2019 Participating Companies for loan to the Money Pool ("External Funds").
- 9. The Commission, in its 2018 Order, authorized the Company, through December 31, 2019, to have short-term notes outstanding including the Statutory Exemption, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$500,000,000 at any one time and to participate in the Money Pool. During the 2020 Fiscal Year, the Company estimates that it may again need to exceed the Statutory Exemption Limit. Thus, the Company hereby requests the Commission to permit the Company to have short-term notes outstanding including the Statutory Exemption, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$500,000,000 at any one time and to participate in the Money Pool by providing Internal or External Funds to 2019 Participating Companies through the Money Pool.
- 10. The Commission, in its 2018 Order authorized the Company, to provide loans to the Money Pool, so long as the aggregate amount loaned to the Money Pool by the Company, ATSI, CEI and TE did not exceed \$1,000,000,000 to the 2019 Participating Companies at any time. The Company hereby requests Commission authorization for the Company, together with ATSI, CEI and TE, to make loans in

the aggregate to the Money Pool not to exceed \$750,000,000 outstanding to the 2019 Participating Companies (other than the Company, ATSI, CEI and TE) at any one time, based upon cash forecasting for 2020.

11. The Company agrees any loans to 2019 Participating Companies (other than ATSI, CEI and TE) made through the Money Pool shall be made only to those 2019 Participating Companies that have investment grade or higher credit ratings on their senior secured debt from at least one nationally recognized rating agency, or in the absence of such rating, investment grade or higher credit ratings on their corporate credit rating. The Company agrees to continue to report the details of its participation in the Money Pool on a quarterly basis to the Director of the Utilities Department of the Commission.

WHEREFORE, the Company prays

(1) That this Commission approves the extension of the Company's participation in the Money Pool through December 31, 2020 and that the Authorized Principal shall include Short-Term Notes of the Company outstanding under the Money Pool by the Company.

(2) That this Commission authorizes the Company, during the 2020 Fiscal Year, to issue, renew or assume liability on Short-Term Notes, as requested in this Application, <u>provided however</u>, that the aggregate Short-Term Notes do not exceed \$500,000,000 outstanding at any one time, and <u>provided further</u> that such amount is exclusive of any long-term financing the Company may incur during said period with this Commission's approval. (3) That this Commission authorizes the Company, during the 2020 Fiscal Year, to provide Internal or External Funds to the Money Pool, as requested in this Application, <u>provided however</u>, that the aggregate amount loaned to the Money Pool by the Company, ATSI, CEI and TE to the 2019 Participating Companies (other than the Company, ATSI, CEI and TE) does not exceed \$750,000,000 outstanding at any one time.

(4) That due to the time sensitive nature of this request, that thisCommission issue such Order approving this Application on or before December 20, 2019.

By nd Controller

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Steven R. Staub Vice President and Treasurer

STATE OF OHIO)) ss.: SUMMIT COUNTY)

Jason J. Lisowski and Steven R. Staub, depose and say that they are Vice President and Controller, and Vice President and Treasurer, respectively, of Ohio Edison Company, Applicant in the above matter, and that they have read and are fully acquainted and familiar with the contents of the foregoing Application and that the statements therein are true as they verily believe.

Steven R. Staub

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5% day of October, 2019

Notary Public, State of Ohio



Jaime E. Hudson Resident Summit County Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires: 5 12/2007

Stephanie J. Bencin Attorney for Applicant

OHIO EDISON COMPANY

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2019 (Unaudited) (In millions)

REVENUES: Electric sales Excise and gross receipts tax collections Total revenues	\$ 1,514 108 1,622
OPERATING EXPENSES: Purchased power from affiliates Purchased power from non-affiliates Other operating expenses Provision for depreciation Amortization of regulatory assets, net General taxes Total operating expenses	 70 242 538 123 (10) 213 1,176
OPERATING INCOME	 446
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE): Miscellaneous income, net Pension and OPEB mark-to-market adjustment Interest expense Capitalized financing costs Total other expense	 28 (63) (69) 7 (97)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	349
INCOME TAXES	 83
NET INCOME	\$ 266

OHIO EDISON COMPANY CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (Unaudited)

(Unaudited)		
(In millions, except share amounts)		ine 30, 2019
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash	\$	297 5
Receivables- Customers, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$8 Affiliated companies Other		166 59 28
Notes receivable from affiliated companies Prepaid taxes and other		20 220 13 788
UTILITY PLANT:		
In service Less - Accumulated provision for depreciation		4,415 1,624
Construction work in progress	<u> </u>	2,791 <u>115</u> 2,906
DEFERRED CHARGES AND OTHER ASSETS: Property taxes	-	48
Other	\$	<u>131</u> <u>179</u> 3,873
LIABILITIES AND CAPITALIZATION	<u> </u>	0,070
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Currently payable long-term debt Accounts payable-	\$	7
Affiliated companies Other		2 43
Accrued taxes		95
Accrued interest		23
Other		<u>76</u> 246
CAPITALIZATION: Common stockholder's equity-		
Common stock, without par value, authorized 175,000,000 shares -		
60 shares outstanding Accumulated other comprehensive income		936
Retained earnings		(2) 610
Total common stockholder's equity	-	1,544
Long-term debt and other long-term obligations		945
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES:		2,489
Accumulated deferred income taxes		412
Retirement benefits		197
Regulatory liabilities Property taxes		196 48
Other		285
		1,138
	\$	3.873

OHIO EDISON COMPANY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CAPITALIZATION (Unaudited)

(Onduction)		
	June 30,	
(In millions)		2019
COMMON STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY:		
Common stock, without par value, authorized 175,000,000 shares -		
60 shares outstanding	\$	936
Accumulated other comprehensive income		(2)
Retained earnings		610
Total common stockholder's equity		1,544
LONG-TERM DEBT AND OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS:		
Ohio Edison Company-		
First mortgage bonds:		
8.250% due 2038		275
Total	····	275
Unsecured notes:		
6.875% due 2036		350
Total		350
Ohio Securitization		
Ohio Securitization Bonds		
1.726% due 2020		3
3.450% due 2034		124
Total		127
Pennsylvania Power Company-		
First mortgage bonds:		
9.740% due 2019		1
6.090% due 2022		100
4.370% due 2048		50
4.240% due 2056		50
Total		201
Capital lease obligations		8
Unamortized discount on long-term debt		(7)
Unamortized debt expense		(2)
Long-term debt due within one year		(7)
Total long-term debt and other long-term obligations		945
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION	\$	2,489

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