BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of	:
Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc.,	:
for Approval of a General Exemption of	: Case No. 20-0120-GA-UNC
Certain Natural Gas Commodity Sales	:
Services or Ancillary Services.	:

MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

The Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Staff) hereby requests that

the names of the participating bidders in the recent auction for natural gas supplies be

kept confidential for fifteen days pursuant to O.A.C. 4901-1-24. The accompanying

memorandum in support sets forth the grounds for this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

On January 27, 2020, an auction was held to procure natural gas supplies for Standard Choice Offer (SCO) customers of Vectren Energy of Ohio, Inc. (Vectren). On the same date, the Staff filed a report concerning the results of the auction. In this report, Staff does not disclose the names of the participating and wining bidders.

Staff requests that the names of the participating and winning bidders be kept confidential for a period of fifteen days. This is necessary in order to protect the bidders' positions in negotiations with pipelines for the incremental capacity necessary to meet their obligations to deliver gas if chosen as a supplier. This information warrants protection as a trade secret because immediate release of this information would cause serious economic harm to the auction participants. Therefore, the Commission should grant a protective order keeping this information under seal for a period of fifteen days. Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing **Motion for Protective Order** submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, was served by regular U.S. mail, postage prepaid, or by electronic service, upon the following Parties of Record, this 29th day of January, 2020.

/s/ Thomas G. Lindgren

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On Behalf of Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc.

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