

Application to Commit
Energy Efficiency/Peak Demand
Reduction Programs
(Mercantile Customers Only)

Case No.: 20-0074-EL-EEC

Mercantile Customer: Akron Childrens Hospital

Electric Utility: Ohio Edison Company

Program Title or Akron Children's Hospital Renovation and Expansion

Description:

Rule 4901:1-39-05(F), Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), permits a mercantile customer to file, either individually or jointly with an electric utility, an application to commit the customer's existing demand reduction, demand response, and energy efficiency programs for integration with the electric utility's programs. The following application form is to be used by mercantile customers, either individually or jointly with their electric utility, to apply for commitment of such programs in accordance with the Commission's pilot program established in Case No. 10-834-EL-POR

Completed applications requesting the cash rebate reasonable arrangement option in lieu of an exemption from the electric utility's energy efficiency and demand reduction (EEDR) rider will be automatically approved on the sixty-first calendar day after filing, unless the Commission, or an attorney examiner, suspends or denies the application prior to that time. Completed applications requesting the exemption from the EEDR rider for a period of up to 12 months will also qualify for the 60-day automatic approval. However, all applications requesting an exemption from the EEDR rider for longer than 12 months must provide additional information, as described within the Historical Mercantile Annual Report Template, that demonstrates additional energy savings and the continuance of the Customer's energy efficiency program. This information must be provided to the Commission at least 61 days prior to the termination of the initial 12 month exemption period to prevent interruptions in the exemption period.

Complete a separate application for each customer program. Projects undertaken by a customer as a single program at a single location or at various locations within the same service territory should be submitted together as a single program filing, when possible.

Check all boxes that are applicable to your program. For each box checked, be sure to complete all subparts of the question, and provide all requested additional information. Submittal of altered or incomplete applications may result in a suspension of the automatic approval process or denial of the application.

Any confidential or trade secret information may be submitted to Staff on disc or via email at <u>ee-pdr@puc.state.oh.us.</u>

#### **Section 1: Mercantile Customer Information**

Name: Children's Hospital Medical Center of Akron Principal address: 1 Perkins Square., Akron, OH 44308 Address of facility for which this energy efficiency program applies: One Perkins Square, Akron, OH 44308 Name and telephone number for responses to questions: Corey Lawrence 330-899-9633 Electricity use by the customer (check the box(es) that apply):  $\boxtimes$ The customer uses more than seven hundred thousand kilowatt hours per year at the above facility. (Please attach documentation.) The customer is part of a national account involving multiple facilities in one or more states. (Please attach documentation.) **Section 2: Application Information** A) The customer is filing this application (choose which applies): Individually, without electric utility participation. Jointly with the electric utility. B) The electric utility is: Ohio Edison Company C) The customer is offering to commit (check any that apply): Energy savings from the customer's energy efficiency program. (Complete Sections 3, 5, 6, and 7.) Capacity savings from the customer's demand response/demand reduction program. (Complete Sections 4, 5, 6, and 7.) Both the energy savings and the capacity savings from the customer's energy efficiency program. (Complete all sections of the Application.)

# **Section 3: Energy Efficiency Programs**

A)	The	customer's energy efficiency program involves (check those that apply):
		Early replacement of fully functioning equipment with new equipment. (Provide the date on which the customer replaced fully functioning equipment, and the date on which the customer would have replaced such equipment if it had not been replaced early. Please include a brief explanation for how the customer determined this future replacement date (or, if not known, please explain why this is not known)). If Checked, Please see Exhibit 1 and Exhibit 2
		Installation of new equipment to replace failed equipment which has no useful life remaining. The customer installed new equipment on the following date(s):
		Installation of new equipment for new construction or facility expansion. The customer installed new equipment on the following date(s):
		7/1/18.
		Behavioral or operational improvement.
B)	Ene	gy savings achieved/to be achieved by the energy efficiency program:
	1)	If you checked the box indicating that the project involves the early replacement of fully functioning equipment replaced with new equipment, then calculate the annual savings [(kWh used by the original equipment) – (kWh used by new equipment) = (kWh per year saved)]. Please attach your calculations and record the results below:
		Annual savings: kWh
	2)	If you checked the box indicating that the customer installed new equipment to replace failed equipment which had no useful life remaining, then calculate the annual savings [(kWh used by new standard equipment) – (kWh used by the optional higher efficiency new equipment) = (kWh per year saved)]. Please attach your calculations and record the results below:
		Annual savings: kWh

Please describe any less efficient new equipment that was rejected in favor of the more efficient new equipment. Please see Exhibit 1 if applicable

3) If you checked the box indicating that the project involves equipment for new construction or facility expansion, then calculate the annual savings [(kWh used by standard new equipment) – (kWh used by optional higher efficiency new equipment) = (kWh per year saved)]. Please attach your calculations and record the results below:

Annual savings: 3,839,860 kWh

Please describe the less efficient new equipment that was rejected in favor of the more efficient new equipment. Please see Exhibit 1 if applicable

4) If you checked the box indicating that the project involves behavioral or operational improvements, provide a description of how the annual savings were determined.

Annual savings: \_\_\_\_ kWh

## Section 4: Demand Reduction/Demand Response Programs

A)	The	The customer's program involves (check the one that applies):			
		This project does not include peak demand reduction savings.			
		Coincident peak-demand savings from the customer's energy efficiency program.			
		Actual peak-demand reduction. (Attach a description and documentation of the peak-demand reduction.)			
		Potential peak-demand reduction (check the one that applies):			
		☐ The customer's peak-demand reduction program meets the requirements to be counted as a capacity resource under a tariff of a regional transmission organization (RTO) approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.			
		☐ The customer's peak-demand reduction program meets the requirements to be counted as a capacity resource under a program that is equivalent to an RTO program, which has been approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.			
B)	On v	what date did the customer initiate its demand reduction program?			
	7/1/	18			
C)		nt is the peak demand reduction achieved or capable of being achieved w calculations through which this was determined):			

**561** kW (see pgs 13-17 of this document for supporting calcs)

# Section 5: Request for Cash Rebate Reasonable Arrangement, Exemption from Rider, or Commitment Payment

Under this section, check all boxes that apply and fill in all corresponding blanks.

A)	The customer is applying for:
	A cash rebate reasonable arrangement.
	An exemption from the energy efficiency cost recovery mechanism implemented by the electric utility.
	Commitment payment
B)	The value of the option that the customer is seeking is:
	A cash rebate reasonable arrangement.
	A cash rebate of \$143,995. (Rebate shall not exceed 50% project cost. Attach documentation showing the methodology used to determine the cash rebate value and calculations showing how this payment amount was determined.)
	An exemption from payment of the electric utility's energy efficiency/peak demand reduction rider.
	An exemption from payment of the electric utility's energy efficiency/peak demand reduction rider for months (not to exceed 24 months). (Attach calculations showing how this time period was determined.)
	Ongoing exemption from payment of the electric utility's energy efficiency/peak demand reduction rider for an initial period of 24 months because this program is part of the customer's ongoing efficiency program. (Attach documentation that establishes the ongoing nature of the program.) In order to continue the exemption beyond the initial 12 month period, the customer will need to complete, and file within this application, the Historical Mercantile Annual Report

Template to verify the projects energy savings are persistent.
A commitment payment valued at no more than \$ (Attach documentation and calculations showing how this payment amount was determined.)
Section 6: Cost Effectiveness
The program is cost effective because it has a benefit/cost ratio greater than 1 using the (choose which applies):
Total Resource Cost (TRC) Test. The calculated TRC value is:(Continue to Subsection 1, then skip Subsection 2)
Utility Cost Test (UCT) . The calculated UCT value is: See Exhibit 3 (Skip to Subsection 2.)
Subsection 1: TRC Test Used (please fill in all blanks).
The TRC value of the program is calculated by dividing the value of our avoided supply costs (generation capacity, energy, and any transmission or distribution) by the sum of our program overhead and installation costs and any incremental measure costs paid by either the customer or the electric utility.
The electric utility's avoided supply costs were
Our program costs were
The incremental measure costs were

#### Subsection 2: UCT Used (please fill in all blanks).

We calculated the UCT value of our program by dividing the value of our avoided supply costs (capacity and energy) by the costs to our electric utility (including administrative costs and incentives paid or rider exemption costs) to obtain our commitment.

Our avoided supply costs were **See Exhibit 3** 

The utility's program costs were See Exhibit 3

The utility's incentive costs/rebate costs were See Exhibit 3

#### **Section 7: Additional Information**

Please attach the following supporting documentation to this application:

- Narrative description of the program including, but not limited to, make, model, and year of any installed and replaced equipment.
- A copy of the formal declaration or agreement that commits the program or measure to the electric utility, including:
  - 1) any confidentiality requirements associated with the agreement;
  - 2) a description of any consequences of noncompliance with the terms of the commitment;
  - 3) a description of coordination requirements between the customer and the electric utility with regard to peak demand reduction;
  - 4) permission by the customer to the electric utility and Commission staff and consultants to measure and verify energy savings and/or peak-demand reductions resulting from your program; and,
  - 5) a commitment by the customer to provide an annual report on your energy savings and electric utility peak-demand reductions achieved.
- A description of all methodologies, protocols, and practices used or proposed to be used in measuring and verifying program results. Additionally, identify and explain all deviations from any program measurement and verification guidelines that may be published by the Commission.



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State of Ohio:

Lisa Aurilio, Affiant, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that:

1. I am the duly authorized representative of:

Akron Children's Hospital Medical Center
[insert customer or EDU company name and any applicable name(s) doing business as]

2. I have personally examined all the information contained in the foregoing application, including any exhibits and attachments. Based upon my examination and inquiry of those persons immediately responsible for obtaining the information contained in the application, I believe that the information is true, accurate and complete.

Signature of Affiant & Title

Signature of official administering oath

Debbie Cabral, Notary Print Name and Title

My commission expires on \_\_\_

Resident Summit County Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires: November 13, 2022

Debbie Cabral



Customer Legal Entity Name: Akron Children's Hospital

Exhibit 1

Site Address: Akron Children's Hospital Principal Address: One Perkins Square, Akron 44308

Please describe the less efficient new equipment that you rejected in favor of the more efficient new equipment. Ϋ́ What date would you have replaced your equipment if you had not replaced it early?
Also, please explain briefly how you determined this future replacement date. Ϋ́ LEED Submissions, Energy modeling, Pre-and Post electric bills, IPMVP Option D simulation based on output from a Trane-Trace model (for the new wing), and IPMVP Option C for improvements made to the old wing. Description of methodologies, protocols and practices used in measuring and verifying project results Narrative description of your program including, but not limited to, make, model, and year of any installed and replaced equipment: Renovation of existing building and construction of new addition. Project Name Akron Childre's Hospital Project No. -

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		Commitment Payment \$								\$0
		Eligible Rebate Amount (H) \$ Note 2	\$143,995							\$143,995
		Prescriptive Rebate Amount (G)	\$191,993							\$191,993
		Utility Peak Demand Reduction Contribution, KW (F)	561	1	ı	,	,	1	•	561
		L KWh Saved/Year (E) eligible for incentive	3,839,860	i	,	Ī	1	ı	•	3,839,860
		KWh Saved/Year (D) counting towards utility compliance	3,839,860			•	•			3,839,860
Weather Adjusted Usage with Energy Efficiency Addbacks, kwh (c) Note 1	6,537,000 06,537,000	50% of Project Cost \$	\$8,000,000							
	6,537,000	Project Cost \$	\$16,000,000							\$16,000,000
Unadjusted Usage, kwh (A)	6,537,000	In-Service Date	07/01/2018							Total
	2018 Average	Project Name	Akron Childre's Hospital							
	II	Project Number	-							

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One Perkins Square, Akron 44308 Site:

Notes

(1) Customer's usage is adjusted to account for the effects of the energy efficiency programs included in this application. When applicable, such adjustments are prorated to the in-service date to account for the effects of the energy efficiency programs, not to exceed the lesser of 50% of the project cost or \$250,000 per project. Combined Heat & Power (CHP) projects are not subject to the \$250,000 project rebate cap.

**Exhibit 3** 

UCT = Utility Avoided Costs / Utility Costs

UCT (F)	11.0
Total Utility Cost \$ (E)	172,644
-	₩
Administrator Variable Fee \$ (D)	\$24,600
sh Rebate \$	\$ 143,995
Utility Cost \$ (B)	\$ 4,050 \$
	₩
Utility Avoided Cost \$ (A)	\$ 1,905,531
Project	П

11.0	
172,644	
\$24,600	
143,995	
4,050	
1,905,531	
Total	

# Notes

- (A) Represents NPV of avoided energy and capacaity costs over a 10 year life multiplied by the annual project savings.
- (B) Represents the utility's costs incurred for self-directed mercantile applications for applications filed and applications in progress. Includes incremental costs of legal fees, fixed administrative expenses, etc.
  - (C) This is the amount of the Rebate Payment paid to the customer for this
- (D) Based on approximate Administrator's variable compensation for purposes of calculating the UCT, actual compensation may be less. (E) = (B) + (C) + (D) (F) = (A) / (E)

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Mercantile Customer Program

# **ADM Docket Review 20-0074**

Utility Company	FirstEnergy – Ohio Edison
Customer	Akron Children's Hospital
ADM Analyst	Todd Stoehr
Report Date	2-5-20

## **Executive Summary**

Akron Children's Hospital submitted a mercantile incentive application through FirstEnergy's Mercantile Program for an energy-efficient addition (new "wing") to the hospital, energy improvements to the pre-existing wing, and a new, more energy-efficient Central Heating and Cooling Plant. The new wing approximately doubled the size of the building. Estimated ex-post annual energy savings are 3,839,860 kWh with a peak reduction of 560.56 kW.

## **Project Description**

The Considine Professional Building was built in 2005 as a 250,000 square foot (sf), seven-story medical office building. This project added on 230,000 sf for a total of 480,000 sf. The heating water system and chilled water system were completely replaced (the existing air-cooled chillers were left as a backup). All fans, pumps and chillers utilize variable frequency drives. All lighting in the new building and in the areas of renovation is LED. The original building utilized pneumatic controls (VAV's, etc) that were all upgraded to DDC as part of the project.

Energy savings were realized as a result of 1) The new wing being more energy-efficient than ASHRAE 90.1-2007 code required minimums, and 2) Improvements and renovations in the pre-existing wing. Savings associated with the new Central Plant applied to both pre-existing and new wings since the Plant serves both areas.

Examples of improvements to the pre-existing wing include the following:

- The DDC system allowed the implementation of aggressive temperature setbacks. Night and weekend setbacks were not previously in place.
- Old pneumatic air compressors no longer needed as a result of the DDC upgrade.
- Recommissioning to correct valve/dampers stuck open.
- Some VFDs were previously running full-out (i.e. 100% speed). For example, one of the secondary chilled water pumps (Pump #5) was throttled in order to balance it to achieve the desired flow rate while the VFD was set on 100% capacity.

### Measurement and Verification Effort

ADM performed a pre-approval review of this mercantile application as claimed savings are above-threshold. Claimed savings were based solely on an Energy Use Intensity (EUI, in units of kWh/sf) analysis by comparing the EUI of the pre-existing wing to that of the new facility (i.e. both pre-existing and new wings). An energy model of the post-implementation facility had been developed by the customer's engineering consultant, but that model was not factored into claimed savings. In other words, savings for the new wing were based on the efficiency of the pre-existing wing. ADM was able to obtain a copy of the model, which was a Trance Trace file, along with record drawings and equipment submittals. ADM also gained a better understanding of the electric metering arrangement serving the facility, including obtaining pertinent historical data.

After reviewing project documentation and several communications with the customer representative, ADM resolved to estimate savings using the following approach:

- IPMVP¹ Option D: Calibrated Simulation was used to estimate savings for the new wing, based on savings outputted by the Trace model, multiplied by the percentage of total sf. the new wing represents (i.e. 48%). This effectively applies a new construction baseline (ASHRAE 90.1-2007) to just the new wing.
- An IPMVP Option C: Whole Facility analysis was used to estimate savings associated with improvements made to the pre-existing wing. A comparison of pre and post-implementation, TMY3² weather-normalized EUIs was made using metered electric data for the facility. The difference in EUIs (12.37 kWh/sf.) was multiplied by the area of the pre-existing wing and a "code factor" of 90% to account for the pre-existing wing being built to an older, less-stringent energy code (ASHRAE 90.1-2001) compared to that of the new wing (ASHRAE 90.1-2007).

## Option D Details

ADM calibrated the post-implementation Trace model to a custom-built, site-specific weather file using metered data for the period Oct. 2018 through Sept. 2019:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> International Performance Measurement and Verification Protocol. "Concepts and Options for Determining Energy and Water Savings, Volume 1". January 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Typical Meteorological Year 3

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ADM Adjusted As-built (Reduced Year Custom Weather)

FIGURE 1 - CALIBRATED TRACE MODEL

Once the calibration was complete, savings were estimated by replacing the custom weather file with the TMY3 weather file closest to the project's location.

The following sources of uncertainty in the Trace model were identified, which may impact model calibration and resulting energy savings:

- The data center is currently modeled as a fixed 24/7/365 base utility load of 250 kW, which means it doesn't represent a cooling load and there is no variation in its magnitude over the year. It's likely the load is not fixed and experiences some variation (at least in the evenings, if not more over the course of a year), and it's unclear if the data center is served by the Central CHW Plant or a stand-alone system.
- Schedules and setpoints used in the model may vary from actual conditions. For example, a less aggressive temperature setpoint schedule may be in place depending on occupant comfort feedback.
- Envelope thermal properties were unable to be verified, including U-values of walls, roofs, windows, and window shading coefficients.
- Lighting power densities (LPDs) were not verified but appeared reasonable.

## Option C Details

ADM performed a code comparison analysis of ASHRAE 90.1-2001 and 2007 to estimate a code factor. The analysis involved spot-checking aspects including envelope, lighting, and fan power limitations, and calculating the percent difference:

TABLE 1 - ENVELOPE CODE COMPARISON

U-value			
2001	2007	%Diff	Opaque Element
0.063	0.048	24%	Roof insulation; Insulation Entirely above Deck
0.084	0.064	24%	Walls, Above Grade; Steel Framed

TABLE 2 - LIGHTING CODE COMPARISON

L	PD (W/sqft)		
2001	2007	%Diff	Building Area Type
1.3	1	23%	Office
1.6	1.2	25%	Hospital/Health Care

TABLE 3 – CODE COMPARISON OF FAN POWER LIMITATIONS

Nameplate hp/cfm					
Constant Volume					
2001	2007	%Diff			
0.0012	0.0011	8%			
VAV					
2001	2007	%Diff			
0.0017	0.0015	12%			

The code factor was then calculated as a weighted average of these percent differences applied to percent contributions of electric end-use categories outputted by the baseline Trace model. For example, the average code comparison percent difference of 24% for lighting was multiplied by the percentage lighting represents of total electric usage of the facility, 23%.

A sanity check of Option C savings was also performed by comparing against TMY3 weather-normalized metered consumption of the pre and post-implementation facility. In order for savings to corroborate, the new wing would have to represent 40% of the consumption of the new facility (i.e. both pre-existing and new wings combined). This value was considered reasonable, since the built-out area of the new wing is approximately 46% of the total facility, and the new wing was built to more stringent energy codes.

### Results

The table shown below presents reviewed energy savings for the project.

TABLE 4 - REVIEWED SAVINGS

Project Savings	Pre-approved
Option D Energy Savings (kWh)	1,050,525
Option D Demand Reduction (kW)	242.15
Option C Energy Savings (kWh)	2,789,335
Option C Demand Reduction (kW)	318.42
Total Energy Savings (kWh)	3,839,860
Total Demand Reduction (kW)	560.56

# Mercantile Customer Project Commitment Agreement <u>Cash Rebate Option</u>

THIS MERCANTILE CUSTOMER PROJECT COMMITMENT AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between Ohio Edison Company, its successors and assigns (hereinafter called the "Company") and Akron Childrens Hospital Taxpayer ID No. 34-0714357 its permitted successors and assigns (hereinafter called the "Customer") (collectively the "Parties" or individually the "Party") and is effective on the date last executed by the Parties as indicated below.

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Company is an electric distribution utility and electric light company, as both of these terms are defined in R.C. § 4928.01(A); and

WHEREAS, Customer is a mercantile customer, as that term is defined in R.C. § 4928.01(A)(19), doing business within the Company's certified service territory; and

WHEREAS, R.C. § 4928.66 (the "Statute") requires the Company to meet certain energy efficiency and peak demand reduction ("EE&PDR") benchmarks; and

WHEREAS, when complying with certain EE&PDR benchmarks the Company may include the effects of mercantile customer-sited EE&PDR projects; and

WHEREAS, Customer has certain customer-sited demand reduction, demand response, or energy efficiency project(s) as set forth in attached Exhibit 1 (the "Customer Energy Project(s)") that it desires to commit to the Company for integration into the Company's Energy Efficiency & Peak Demand Reduction Program Portfolio Plan ("Company Plan") that the Company will implement in order to comply with the Statute; and

WHEREAS, the Customer, pursuant to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's ("Commission") September 15, 2010 Order in Case No. 10-834-EL-EEC, desires to pursue a cash rebate of some of the costs pertaining to its Customer Energy Project(s) ("Cash Rebate") and is committing the Customer Energy Project(s) as a result of such incentive.

WHEREAS, Customer's decision to commit its Customer Energy Project(s) to the Company for inclusion in the Company Plan has been reasonably encouraged by the possibility of a Cash Rebate.

WHEREAS, in consideration of, and upon receipt of, said cash rebate, Customer will commit the Customer Energy Project(s) to the Company and will comply with all other terms and conditions set forth herein.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises set forth herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties, intending to be legally bound, do hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Customer Energy Projects. Customer hereby commits to the Company and Company accepts for integration into the Company Plan the Customer Energy Project(s) set forth on attached Exhibit 1. Said commitment shall be for the life of the Customer Energy Project(s). Company will incorporate said project(s) into the Company Plan to the extent that such projects qualify. In so committing, and as evidenced by the affidavit attached hereto as Exhibit A, Customer acknowledges that the information provided to the Company about the Customer Energy Project(s) is true and accurate to the best of its knowledge.
  - a. By committing the Customer Energy Project(s) to the Company, Customer acknowledges and agrees that the Company shall control the use of the kWh and kW reductions resulting from

said projects for purposes of complying with the Statute. By committing the Customer Energy Project(s), Customer has the ability to either:

- i. Take ownership of the Energy Efficiency resource credits resulting from their Customer Energy Project(s) and may be able to bid or sell the Energy Efficiency resource credits into the market operated by the grid operator, PJM Interconnection, Inc. (PJM), provided several prerequisites are met; or
- ii. Allow the Company to take ownership of the Energy Efficiency resource credits associated with their Customer Energy Project(s). The Company shall, at its sole discretion, aggregate said capacity into the PJM market through an auction. Any proceeds from any such bids accepted by PJM will be used to offset the costs charged to the Customer and other of the Company's customers for compliance with state mandated energy efficiency and/or peak demand requirements.

# Please indicate your preference as to the treatment of your Energy Efficiency resource credits:

- ☐ Customer would like to retain ownership of its Energy Efficiency resource credits.

  ☐ Customer assigns ownership of its Energy Efficiency resource credits to Company for purposes of bidding these credits into PJM.
- b. The Company acknowledges that some of Customer's Energy Projects contemplated in this paragraph may have been performed under certain other federal and/or state programs in which certain parameters are required to be maintained in order to retain preferential financing or other government benefits (individually and collectively, as appropriate, "Benefits"). In the event that the use of any such project by the Company in any way affects such Benefits, and upon written request from the Customer, Company will release said Customer's Energy Project(s) to the extent necessary for Customer to meet the prerequisites for such Benefits. Customer acknowledges that such release (i) may affect Customer's cash rebate discussed in Article 3 below; and (ii) will not affect any of Customer's other requirements or obligations.
- c. Any future Customer Energy Project(s) committed by Customer shall be subject to a separate application and, upon approval by the Commission, said projects shall become part of this Agreement.
- d. Customer will provide Company or Company's agent(s) with reasonable assistance in the preparation of the Commission's standard joint application for approval of this Agreement ("Joint Application") that will be filed with the Commission, with such Joint Application being consistent with then current Commission requirements.
- e. Upon written request and reasonable advance notice, Customer will grant employees or authorized agents of either the Company or the Commission reasonable, pre-arranged access to the Customer Energy Project(s) for purposes of measuring and verifying energy savings and/or peak demand reductions resulting from the Customer Energy Project(s). It is expressly agreed that consultants of either the Company or the Commission are their respective authorized agents.
- 2. Joint Application to the Commission. The Parties will submit the Joint Application using the Commission's standard "Application to Commit Energy Efficiency/Peak Demand Reduction Programs" ("Joint Application") in which they will seek the Commission's approval of (i) this Agreement: (ii) the commitment of the Customer Energy Project(s) for inclusion in the Company Plan; and (iii) the Customer's Cash Rebate.

The Joint Application shall include all information as set forth in the Commission's standard form which, includes without limitation:

- i. A narrative description of the Customer Energy Project(s), including but not limited to, make, model and year of any installed and/or replaced equipment;
- ii. A copy of this Agreement; and
- iii. A description of all methodologies, protocols, and practices used or proposed to be used in measuring and verifying program results.
- 3. Customer Cash Rebate. Upon Commission approval of the Joint Application, Customer shall provide Company with a W-9 tax form, which shall at a minimum include Customer's tax identification number. Within the greater of 90 days of the Commission's approval of the Joint Application or the completion of the Customer Energy Project, the Company will issue to the Customer the Cash Rebate in the amount set forth in the Commission's Finding and Order approving the Joint Application.
  - a. Customer acknowledges: i) that the Company will cap the Cash Rebate at the lesser of 50% of Customer Energy Project(s) costs or \$250,000¹, ii) if the Customer Energy Project qualifies for a rebate program approved by the Commission and offered by the Company, Customer may still elect to file such project under the Company's mercantile customer self direct program, however the Cash Rebate that will be paid shall be discounted by 25%; and
  - b. Customer acknowledges that breaches of this Agreement, include, but are not limited to:
    - Customer's failure to comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement, or its equivalent, within a reasonable period of time after receipt of written notice of such non-compliance;
    - ii. Customer knowingly falsifying any documents provided to the Company or the Commission in connection with this Agreement or the Joint Application.
  - c. In the event of a breach of this Agreement by the Customer, Customer agrees and acknowledges that it will repay to the Company, within 90 days of receipt of written notice of said breach, the full amount of the Cash Rebate paid under this Agreement. This remedy is in addition to any and all other remedies available to the Company by law or equity.
- 4. Termination of Agreement. This Agreement shall automatically terminate:
  - a. If the Commission fails to approve the Joint Agreement;
  - b. Upon order of the Commission; or
  - c. At the end of the life of the last Customer Energy Project subject to this Agreement.

Customer shall also have an option to terminate this Agreement should the Commission not approve the Customer's Cash Rebate, provided that Customer provides the Company with written notice of such termination within ten days of either the Commission issuing a final appealable order or the Ohio Supreme Court issuing its opinion should the matter be appealed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Combined Heat & Power (CHP) projects are not subject to the \$250,000 rebate cap.

- 5. Confidentiality. Each Party shall hold in confidence and not release or disclose to any person any document or information furnished by the other Party in connection with this Agreement that is designated as confidential and proprietary ("Confidential Information"), unless: (i) compelled to disclose such document or information by judicial, regulatory or administrative process or other provisions of law; (ii) such document or information is generally available to the public; or (iii) such document or information was available to the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis at the time of disclosure.
  - a. Notwithstanding the above, a Party may disclose to its employees, directors, attorneys, consultants and agents all documents and information furnished by the other Party in connection with this Agreement, provided that such employees, directors, attorneys, consultants and agents have been advised of the confidential nature of this information and through such disclosure are deemed to be bound by the terms set forth herein.
  - b. A Party receiving such Confidential Information shall protect it with the same standard of care as its own confidential or proprietary information.
  - c. A Party receiving notice or otherwise concluding that Confidential Information furnished by the other Party in connection with this Agreement is being sought under any provision of law, to the extent it is permitted to do so under any applicable law, shall endeavor to: (i) promptly notify the other Party; and (ii) use reasonable efforts in cooperation with the other Party to seek confidential treatment of such Confidential Information, including without limitation, the filing of such information under a valid protective order.
  - d. By executing this Agreement, Customer hereby acknowledges and agrees that Company may disclose to the Commission or its Staff any and all Customer information, including Confidential Information, related to a Customer Energy Project, provided that Company uses reasonable efforts to seek confidential treatment of the same.
- Taxes. Customer shall be responsible for all tax consequences (if any) arising from the payment of the Cash Rebate.
- 7. Notices. Unless otherwise stated herein, all notices, demands or requests required or permitted under this Agreement must be in writing and must be delivered or sent by overnight express mail, courier service, electronic mail or facsimile transmission addressed as follows:

#### If to the Company:

FirstEnergy Service Company 76 South Main Street Akron, OH 44308

Attn: Mercantile Energy Efficiency Program A-GO-8

Telephone: 330 384 4504 Fax: 330 777 6051

Email: mercantile@firstenergycorp.com

If to the Customer:

Akron children's Hospital 1 Perkins Square Akron, OH 44308 Attn:Brian Lapolla Telephone:330-543-4240

Fax:

Email:blapolla@akronchildrens.org

or to such other person at such other address as a Party may designate by like notice to the other Party. Notice received after the close of the business day will be deemed received on the next business day; provided that notice by facsimile transmission will be deemed to have been received by the recipient if the recipient confirms receipt telephonically or in writing.

- 8. Authority to Act. The Parties represent and warrant that they are represented by counsel in connection with this Agreement, have been fully advised in connection with the execution thereof, have taken all legal and corporate steps necessary to enter into this Agreement, and that the undersigned has the authority to enter into this Agreement, to bind the Parties to all provisions herein and to take the actions required to be performed in fulfillment of the undertakings contained herein.
- 9. Non-Waiver. The delay or failure of either party to assert or enforce in any instance strict performance of any of the terms of this Agreement or to exercise any rights hereunder conferred, shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment to any extent of its rights to assert or rely upon such terms or rights at any later time or on any future occasion.
- 10. Entire Agreement. This Agreement, along with related exhibits, and the Company's Rider DSE, or its equivalent, as amended from time to time by the Commission, contains the Parties' entire understanding with respect to the matters addressed herein and there are no verbal or collateral representations, undertakings, or agreements not expressly set forth herein. No change in, addition to, or waiver of the terms of this Agreement shall be binding upon any of the Parties unless the same is set forth in writing and signed by an authorized representative of each of the Parties. In the event of any conflict between Rider DSE or its equivalent and this document, the latter shall prevail.
- 11. Assignment. Customer may not assign any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without obtaining the prior written consent of the Company, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld. No assignment of this Agreement will relieve the assigning Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement until such obligations have been assumed by the assignee and all necessary consents have been obtained.
- 12. Severability. If any portion of this Agreement is held invalid, the Parties agree that such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Agreement, and the Parties further agree to substitute for the invalid portion a valid provision that most closely approximates the economic effect and intent of the invalid provision.
- 13. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws and regulations of the State of Ohio, without regard to its conflict of law provisions.
- 14. Execution and Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, which taken together shall constitute an original without the necessity of all parties signing the same page or the same documents, and may be executed by signatures to electronically or telephonically transmitted counterparts in lieu of original printed or photocopied documents. Signatures transmitted by facsimile shall be considered original signatures.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized officers or representatives as of the day and year set forth below.

Title: Dir, Energy Efficiency Compliance & Reporting

Signed on behalf of Ohio Edison Company\_ (Company)

Date: 2/13/2020

Akron Children's Hospital

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By: Mag Cacul

(Classef Operators Office)

Date: 10-9-18

#### Affidavit of Akron Children's Hospital - Exhibit \_A \_

STATE OF OHIO

SS:

COUNTY OF SUMMIT )

- I, Lisa Aurilio ,being first duly sworn in accordance with law, deposes and states as follows:
  - 1. I am the Chief Operating Officer of Akron Children's Hospital ("Customer") As part of my duties, I oversee energy related matters for the Customer.
  - 2. The Customer has agreed to commit certain energy efficiency projects to Ohio Edison Company ("Company"), which are the subject of the agreement to which this affidavit is attached ("Project(s)").
  - 3. In exchange for making such a commitment, the Company has agreed to provide Customer with Cash ("Incentive"). This Incentive was a critical factor in the Customer's decision to go forward with the Project(s) and to commit the Project(s) to the Company.
  - 4. All information related to said Project(s) that has been submitted to the Company is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

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Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 10 day of October 19

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Debbie Cabral Resident Summit County Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires: Navember 13, 2022



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