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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
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Dear Commissioners:

Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue a new request for proposal (hereinafter referred to as "RFP") in the consolidated grid modernization cases, including Case Nos. 16-481-EL-UNC, 17-2436-EL-UNC, 18-1604-EL-UNC, and 18-1656-EL-ATA.

In its entry on October 20, 2021, the Commission selected PA Consulting Group, Inc. to provide audit services to assist Staff with the review of the operational benefits associated with the first phase of the grid modernization plan for Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Toledo Edison Company (collectively, the "Companies").

However, PA Consulting Group, Inc. is withdrawing from its work on this audit. Therefore, Staff recommends issuing a new RFP and selection of a new auditor, along with an extension of the procedural schedule to accommodate this new audit. Staff is advised that the Companies will not recover any costs from ratepayers for the services to PA Consulting Group, Inc. had provided.

Very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald Leming".

Donald Leming
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**Case No(s). 16-0481-EL-UNC, 17-2436-EL-UNC, 18-1604-EL-UNC, 18-1656-EL-
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Staff