BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Procurement of :

Standard Service Offer Generation as Part : Case No. 16-0776-EL-UNC

of the Fourth Electric Security Plan for

Customers of Ohio Edison Company, The

Cleveland Electric Illuminating : Company, and The Toledo Edison :

Company.

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

Comes now the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Staff) and requests that both the Report of the Commission's Consultant Regarding FirstEnergy's March 20, 2023 Standard Service Offer Auction and the Notification of CBP Auction Results be kept confidential pursuant to O.A.C. Rule 4901-1-24 for the reasons set forth in the attached memorandum in support.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

Staff requests that the Commission keep both the Report of the Commission's Consultant Regarding FirstEnergy's March 20, 2023 Standard Service Offer Auction and the Notification of CBP Auction Results confidential and that they not be publicly released. This information identifies the details of various bids and parties making the bids in the March 20, 2023 FirstEnergy auction. This information is highly competitively sensitive. Public disclosure of this information would be highly prejudicial to the bidding parties and to the viability of any future auction in Ohio. Keeping this material confidential is consistent with the Commission's actions in prior auction matters. A redacted version of the Notification of CBP Auction Results has been filed publicly in this docket.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that a true copy of the foregoing Motion for a Protective Order and

Memorandum in Support, submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Public Utilities

Commission of Ohio, was served via electronic mail upon the following parties of record, this 22^{nd} day of March 2023.

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