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**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PARTIES TO FILE**

**TESTIMONY**

**AND**

**REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED RULING**

**BY**

**OFFICE OF THE OHIO CONSUMERS' COUNSEL**

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The grounds for this motion are set forth in the accompanying Memorandum in Support.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

It is hereby certified that a true copy of the foregoing Motion for Extension of Time and Request for Expedited Ruling by Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel was served upon the persons listed below by electronic transmission this 10th day of August, 2023.

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