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**I. MOTION FOR INTERVENTION**

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code § 4903.221 and Ohio Administrative Code 4901-1-11, Nucor Steel Marion, Inc. (“Nucor”) respectfully moves the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (the “Commission”) for leave to intervene in the above-captioned docket, for the reasons more fully set forth in the following Memorandum in Support.

**II. MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT**

For purposes of considering requests for leave to intervene in a Commission proceeding, O.A.C. 4901-1-11(A) provides that:

Upon timely motion, any person shall be permitted to intervene in a proceeding upon a showing that: . . . (2) The person has a real and substantial interest in the proceeding, and the person is so situated that the disposition of the proceeding may, as a practical matter, impair or impede his or her ability to protect that interest, unless the person's interest is adequately represented by existing parties.

Further, R.C. § 4903.221(B) and O.A.C. 4901-1-11(B) provide that the Commission, in ruling upon applications to intervene in its proceedings, shall consider the following criteria:

(1) The nature and extent of the prospective intervenor’s interest; (2) The legal position advanced by the prospective intervenor and its probable relation to the merits of the case; (3) Whether the intervention by the prospective intervenor will unduly prolong or delay the proceedings; (4) Whether the prospective intervenor will significantly contribute to full development and equitable resolution of the factual issues.

O.A.C. 4901-1-11(B) also provides that an additional factor in considering a request to intervene will be the extent to which the person’s interest is represented by existing parties.

Nucor is a large industrial consumer of electricity delivered to it by the Ohio Edison Company (“Ohio Edison”). Nucor uses electricity throughout its operations, but in particular, Nucor uses substantial quantities of electricity to melt steel scrap, recycling it to make new steel. The cost of electricity is critical to Nucor’s competitiveness in the national and international steel markets.

On May 31, 2024, Ohio Edison, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Toledo Edison Company (collectively, “FirstEnergy”) filed an application requesting approval to increase electric distribution rates applicable to customers in FirstEnergy’s service territory, including Nucor. FirstEnergy’s application will affect the rates Nucor pays and the terms and conditions under which Nucor takes electric service. Accordingly, Nucor has direct, real, and substantial interests in this proceeding. Moreover, Nucor is so situated that the disposition of this proceeding without Nucor’s ability to fully participate in this proceeding will prejudice and impede Nucor’s ability to protect its substantial business interests.

Further, other parties choosing to participate in this proceeding would not represent Nucor’s interests. Nucor submits that its unique perspectives will contribute to the full, equitable, and expeditious resolution of this proceeding. Lastly, Nucor’s intervention will not unduly delay the proceeding, or unjustly prejudice the interests of any existing party to this proceeding.

**III. CONCLUSION**

For the reasons set forth above, Nucor respectfully requests the Commission to grant Nucor’s request to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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