**BEFORE THE**

**THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

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| In the Matter of the Review of the Smart Grid Modernization Initiative Contained in the Tariffs of Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Toledo Edison Company | )  )  )  )  )  ) | Case No. 12-0406-EL-RDR |

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**SIXTH STATUS UPDATE**

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On August 15, 2013, Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Toledo Edison Company (the “Companies”) moved for a stay of the procedural schedule in this matter, which was granted on August 19, 2013. In the Entry granting the stay, the Attorney Examiner requested that “an update on the status of the settlement discussions” be provided to the Attorney Examiner by August 30, 3013. Pursuant to this directive, the Companies have submitted several periodic updates, the last of which was filed on January 31, 2014. Pursuant to that filing, the Companies indicated that they would file a further update on or about March 1, 2014. This is that update.

The parties continue to discuss settlement and agree that a further stay of the procedural schedule is warranted.

Accordingly, the Companies ask that the stay of the procedural schedule remain in place,

with the Companies providing another update (or proposed settlement) on or about April 30, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that this Sixth Status Update submitted by Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company and The Toledo Edison Company was filed electronically with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Docketing Information System on this 5th day of March, 2014. A courtesy copy of this filing will also be sent via e-mail to all current parties of record.

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