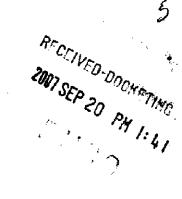


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September 19, 2007

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio PUCO Docketing 180 E. Broad Street, 10th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

In re: 07-1003-EL-ATA AND 07-1004-EL-AAM

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find enclosed an original and ten (10) copies of THE KROGER CO.'S PETITION TO INTERVENE filed in the above-referenced matter.

Copies have been served on all parties on the attached certificate of service. Please place this document of file.

Respectfully yours,

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I hereby certify that true copy of the foregoing was served by regular mail, unless otherwise noted, this 19th day of September, 2007 to the following:

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INTERVENTION OF THE THE KROGER CO.

Pursuant to the Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-1-11, the Kroger Co. ("Kroger") moves for leave to intervene in this proceeding. The Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission") should grant Kroger leave to intervene because Kroger has a real and substantial interest in the proceeding, and the Commission's disposition of this proceeding may impair or impede Kroger's ability to protect that interest.

Respectfully submitted,

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September 14, 2007

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF THE KROGER CO.'S MOTION TO INTERVENE

Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-01-11, the Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission") should grant the Kroger Co. ("Kroger") leave to intervene in this proceeding.

Kroger is a corporation engaged in the business of selling groceries at retail throughout the United States. One of the largest retail food companies in the United States, Kroger operates approximately 200 grocery stores in the state of Ohio. Of that total, approximately 25 purchase their electric supply from FirstEnergy. These stores purchase more than 80 million kWh of electricity from the Company annually. Petitioner is one of the largest commercial customers served by the Company. The grocery stores operated by Kroger are high load factor facilities that use energy for food storage, lighting, heating, cooling and distribution, often on a 24 hour a day, 7 day a week basis. Therefore, the interests of Kroger may be directly affected by the outcome of this proceeding. The interests of Kroger

cannot be adequately represented by any other party. Kroger intends to play a constructive role in this case and provide information which will assist the Commission.

No other party to this proceeding can adequately represent Kroger's interest. Intervention would not unduly delay the proceeding nor unjustly prejudice any existing party.

Accordingly, Kroger has a real and substantial interest and is entitled to intervene in this action under Ohio Rev. Code §4903.22.1 and Ohio Admin. Code §4901-1-11.

Respectfully submitted,

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