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Attached is a redline version of the OHA Agreement we can sign on Monday. A clean version to follow. Thank you.

Agreement

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This agreement is binding on the parties regarding the subject matter herein and both the terms and existence of the agreement are to remain confidential among the parties and may be released to nonparties only if ordered by a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction. If any issue related to the confidentiality of this agreement comes before a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction the party before such court or administrative agency shall use best efforts to immediately notify the other party. The parties shall defend the confidentiality of this agreement. The parties shall not circulate the agreement, or disclose its existence, to any employee, agent, or assignee of the party unless such employee, agent, or assignee has a need to know for the purpose of effectuating the agreement. The parties, for good consideration, agree to the following terms

and conditions:

- Beginning January 1, 2005, and through December 31, 2008, 1. Cinergy will offer to sell retail electric generation service to the Hospitals for all their CG&E accounts at a firm power, all-in, fixed rate equal to the applicable tariff rate of The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's unbundled generation rate approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission) in case no. 99-1658-EL-ETP less the regulatory transition charge approved in the same case less one (1) mil per kwh, except that Jewish Hospital and Children's Hospitals shall purchase competitive retail electric generation service from Cinergy at a rate equal to the real time pricing tariff rate and currently effective service agreement they are receiving from The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company on December 31, 2004. The retail electric generation offer indicated above will be an option for Hospital accounts to accept anytime prior to December 31, 2008 and the term of such generation arrangement will be designated by the Hospital accounts but will extend no longer than December 31, 2008. The generation rate shall include a payment of amounts for emission allowances equal to the emission allowance cost CG&E is permitted to recover as part of its price to compare charge of the market-based standard service offer.
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- 4. Cinergy shall pay the Ohio Hospital Association \$50,000.00 upon the issuance of a final appealable order of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio satisfactory to Cinergy.
- 5. The Hospitals shall comply with the terms and conditions of the order of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio in case no. 03-93-EL-ATA including the payment of regulatory transition charges and provider of last resort charges except as set forth herein.
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- 7. Hospitals purchasing generation service pursuant to existing tariff load management riders as of December 31, 2004, may continue to purchase generation service pursuant to such load management riders through December 31, 2008.
- 8. This agreement has no application to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's transmission and distribution rates as approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. Hospitals shall pay the applicable, transmission and distribution rates of The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company as approved by the Commission, and/or if applicable, shall pay to Cinergy Retail Sales the applicable transmission charges equal to the transmission charges approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio for Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company.
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Cinergy and OHA shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the non-breaching party from any and all claims by third parties including the government regarding the enforcement or breach of this agreement, including but not limited to, property damages, environmental damages, contract damages, fines, or penalties arising from or in connection with the provision or acceptance of competitive retail electric service arising from or in connection with the performance of this agreement.

This agreement is for the exclusive benefit of the parties and may not be assigned without the written consent of the non-assigning party.

This Letter Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.

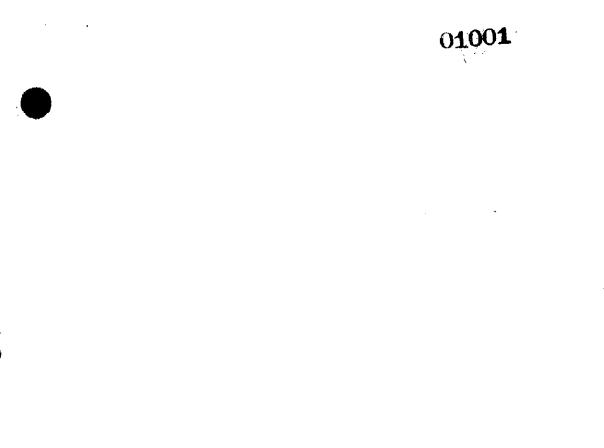
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DEPOSITION EXHIBIT #[1045

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This Letter Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.

Entered into on this 8th day of November:

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OPTION AGREEMENT

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BY AND BETWEEN

CINERGY RETAIL SALES, LLC

AND

GENERAL MOTORS, INC.

This Option Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into as of this twentieth (20th) day of December 2004 (the "Effective Date") by and between Cinergy Retail Sales, LLC ("CRS") a Delaware limited liability company, and General Motors, Inc ("GM"), a Delaware limited liability company. (each individually a "Party" or collectively the "Parties").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, General Motors, Inc. far the purposes of this agreement only refers to General Motors, Inc., West Chester Operation located within the retail delivery service territory of The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company ("CG&E").

WHEREAS, CRS has been certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio as a Certified Retail Electric Supplier ("CRES") and has the authority to engage in the sale of electrical power at retail;

WHEREAS, Cisc desires to grant an option to CRS to provide electric service and CRS desires to provide electric service pursuant to the terms outlined herein;.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

The following definitions and any terms defined in this Agreement shall apply hereunder.

"<u>Affiliate</u>" means, with respect to any person, any other person (other than an individual) that, directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, such person. For this purpose, "control" means the direct or indirect ownership of ten (10) percent or more.

"<u>Business Day</u>" means a day on which Federal Reserve member banks in Ohio are open for business; and a Business Day shall open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 5:00 p.m. eastern prevailing time, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing.

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"<u>Capacity</u>" has the meaning set forth in any Transmission Provider's tariff or MISO's transmission tariff, as amended from time to time, or as defined in any transmission tariff of a successor to MISO.

"<u>Contract Price</u>" means the price in SUS as set forth in Exhibit B to be paid by GMato CRS for the purchase of the Energy under this Agreement.

"Defaulting Party" shall have the meaning specified in Section 6.1.

"<u>Energy</u>" means electric energy of the character commonly known as three-phase, sixty hertz electric energy that is delivered at the nominal voltage of the Delivery Point, expressed in megawatt hours (MWh).

"Event of Default" shall have the meaning specified in Section 6.1.

"FERC" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or any successor agency thereto.

"Firm" means, with respect to a Transaction, that the only excuse for the failure to deliver Energy by CRS or the failure to receive Energy by GM is Force Majeure or the other Party's failure to perform.

"<u>Full Requirements Energy</u>" means, except as provided herein, that GM shall purchase all of its retail Energy requirements for its facility from CRS and that GM shall not resell any of the Energy provided hereunder to any third party.

"Interest Rate" means, for any date the lesser of (a) two (2) percent over the per annum rate of interest equal to the prime lending rate ("Prime Rate") as may be published from time to time in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release H. 15; or (b) the maximum lawful interest rate.

"<u>GM's Maximum Demand</u>" means GM's combined maximum demand for all of GM's accounts listed on Exhibit C with The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company as of January 1, 2005.

"<u>MW</u>" means megawatt.

"Term" shall have the meaning specified in Article 4.1.

"<u>Transmission Providers</u>" means the entity or entities transmitting or transporting the Energy on behalf of CRS or **GM** to the Delivery Point.

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ARTICLE II OPTION

- GM currently receives its electric service from The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company 2.1 ("CG&E") pursuant to the applicable tariffs rates, or will provide NOTICE by December 30, 2004 that it will take electric service from CG&E in accordance with applicable CG&E tariff requirements. GM hereby grants to CRS the exclusive option, upon thirty (30) days notice, to serve all of GM's accounts and load set forth in Exhibit C, including any increases in accordance with Section 3.1, as of December 31, 2004 ("Option").
- 2.2 CRS shall have the right to exercise this Option at any time during the Term of this Agreement.
- 2.3 In exchange for GM-granting CRS this option, CRS agrees to pay GM-teach calendar month of the Term, until exercise of the Option, the amount set forth on Exhibit A ("Option Payment"). CRS shall work in good faith with GM to establish procedures so that the Option Payment is properly distributed to each applicable GM account.
- 2.4 Because this is an exclusive Option, in the event GM leaves its current electric service and receives electric service from any third party that is not CRS or an Affiliate of CRS, then CRS shall cease all Option Payments and this Agreement shall terminate and all obligations of the Parties hereunder shall terminate.
- 2.5 If CRS exercises its Option, the Parties shall enter into a power sale agreement, including the terms set forth in Article III.

ARTICLE III

CRES POWER CONTRACT TERMS

- In the event CRS exclusion its option, the power sale agreement between CRS and GM 3.1 shall include, among others, the following terms:
 - a. Energy Quantity and Type. CRS shall provide GMF with Firm, Full Requirements Energy and Capacity up to \$ MWs greater than GM's Maximum Demand for all of its accounts as of January 1, 2005 ("Quantity"). If during the Term of the Agreement, GM has additional load or accounts greater than a 3MW, then such new load or account is not included within the terms of the Agreement and CRS shall have no obligation to provide Energy and Capacity to GM above the Quantity set forth herein.
 - b. Transmission Service and Charges. Transmission service and charges will be provided in accordance with the open access transmission tariff of the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. or CG&E (or an affiliate on its behalf), whichever is applicable, as filed with the FERC and as it may be amended, from time to time, or any successor tariff. Unless otherwise agreed

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by GMs the transmission service charge shall be equal to transmission charges approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio for the otherwise standard offer rate schedule applicable to each participating GM account or successors to such rate schedule,

- c. <u>Contract Price</u>. The Contract Price is set forth in Exhibits A and B.
- d. <u>Change to Prices</u>. As a retail sale, the power sale agreement is not subject to the jurisdiction of the FERC; nor shall either Party seek to have the FERC assert jurisdiction over the Agreement. However, to the extent that either the FERC or the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio asserts jurisdiction over the Agreement, the Parties agree that the Contract Price specified above is just and reasonable and consistent with the public interest. Neither CRS nor GM shall seek to modify the Contract Price through the auspices of any regulatory body.
- c. <u>Term</u>. The term of the power sale agreement shall be through December 31, 2008 provided that GM may terminate this Agreement in its entirety, including, any contract with CRS, upon twelve (12) months written notice provided that such termination shall be effective for all GM accounts and for this entire agreement.

ARTICLE IV TERM OF AGREEMENT

- 4.1 <u>Agreement Term and Effective Date</u>. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties. This Agreement shall extend from January 1, 2005 through and including December 31, 2008, unless terminated earlier in accordance with the terms of this Agreement ("Term").
- 4.2 <u>After Termination</u>. The applicable provisions of this Agreement shall continue in effect after termination thereof to the extent necessary to provide for final billing, billing adjustments and payments.

ARTICLE V BILLING

5.1 <u>Payment</u>. CRS shall submit the Option Payment to GM within fifteen (15) days after the end of each calendar month. The payment shall be submitted to the following account or address:

General Motors, Inc. NAO Util Paymer Dept. C/O EUSB. PO Box 3 19022 Chizago, II. 60631

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ARTICLE VI DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES

- 6.1 <u>Events of Default</u>. An "Event of Default" shall mean, with respect to a Party ("Defaulting Party"), the occurrence of any of the following:
 - 6.1.1 any representation or warranty made by the Defaulting Party herein shall at any time prove to be false or misleading in any respect material to this Agreement;
 - 6.1.2 the Lilure of the Defaulting Party to perform any covenant set forth in this Agreement (except to the extent constituting a separate Event of Default,) and such failure is not cured within five (5) Business Days after written notice thereof to the Defaulting Party;
 - 6.1.3 the Defaulting Party consolidates or amalgamates with, merges with or into, or transfers all or substantially all of its assets to, another entity and, at the time of such consolidation, amalgamation, merger or transfer, the resulting, surviving or transferee entity fails to assume all of the obligations of such Party under this Agreement;
 - 6.1.4 the failure to make when due, any payment required pursuant to this Agreement if such failure is not remedied within five (5) Business Days after written notice of such failure is given by the other Party; or
 - 6.1.5 the Defaulting Party (i) files a petition or otherwise commences or acquiesces in a proceeding under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law, or has any such petition filed or commenced against it and such petition is not withdrawn or dismissed within thirty (30) days after such filing, (ii) makes an assignment or any general arrangement for the benefit of creditors, (iii) otherwise becomes bankrupt or insolvent (however evidenced), (iv) has a liquidator, administrator, receiver, trustee, conservator or similar official appointed with respect to it or any substantial portion of its property or assets, or (v) is unable to pay its debts as they fall due.
- 6.2 <u>Remedies upon an Event of Default</u>. Upon the occurrence (and continuation beyond the applicable cure period) of an Event of Default with respect to a Defaulting Party, the Non-Defaulting Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement and exercise all rights and remedies available to it in law or in equity.
- 6.3 Other Termination Events. If performance by either Party under this Agreement becomes subject to regulation of any kind whatsoever under any law, rule, regulation, order or similar provision to a greater or different extent than that existing on the Effective Date and such regulation either renders this Agreement illegal or unenforceable or contrary to regulatory authority, then such Party shall have the right upon thirty (30) days notice to terminate this Agreement without further liability. FERC's determination that CG&E is

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prohibited from selling wholesale power to CRS pursuant to CG&E's tariff shall allow CRS to terminate this Agreement in its sole discretion with thirty (30) days written notice and without further liability.

ARTICLE VII LIMITATIONS; DUTY TO MITIGATE

7.1 Indemnity CRS AGREES TO PROTECT, INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFEND GM ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES, AGAINST ALL ACTIONS, CLAIMS, DAMAGES, DEMANDS, SUITS AND OTHER LIABILITIES, INCLUDING ATTORNEY FEES AND OTHER EXPENSES OF LITIGATION ARISING OUT OF, IN WHOLE OR IN PART CRS'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS AND SUBCONTRACTORS BREACH OF ANY TERM OF THIS CONTRACT, OR ANY ACT OR OMISSION IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT.

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7.2 Limitation of Remedies, Liability and Damages. THE PARTIES CONFIRM THAT THE EXPRESS REMEDIES AND MEASURES OF DAMAGES PROVIDED IN THIS AGREEMENT SATISFY THE ESSENTIAL PURPOSES HEREOF. FOR BREACH OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT FOR WHICH AN EXPRESS REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES IS PROVIDED, SUCH EXPRESS REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES SHALL BE THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY, THE OBLIGOR'S LIABILITY SHALL BE LIMITED AS SET FORTH IN SUCH PROVISION AND ALL OTHER REMEDIES OR DAMAGES AT LAW OR IN EQUITY ARE WAIVED. IF NO REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES IS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED HEREIN, THE OBLIGOR'S LIABILITY SHALL BE LIMITED TO DIRECT ACTUAL DAMAGES ONLY, SUCH DIRECT ACTUAL DAMAGES SHALL BE THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY AND ALL OTHER. REMEDIES OR DAMAGES AT LAW OR IN EQUITY ARE WAIVED. UNLESS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED HEREIN, NEITHER PARTY SHALL BE LIABLE FOR ANY CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, EXEMPLARY OR INDIRECT DAMAGES, LOST PROFITS OR OTHER BUSINESS INTERRUPTION DAMAGES,

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BY STATUTE, IN TORT OR CONTRACT, UNDER ANY INDEMNITY PROVISION OR OTHERWISE. IT IS THE INTENT OF THE PARTIES THAT THE LIMITATIONS HEREIN IMPOSED ON REMEDIES AND THE MEASURE OF DAMAGES BE WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CAUSE OR CAUSES RELATED THERETO, INCLUDING THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY PARTY, WHETHER SUCH NEGLIGENCE IS SOLE, JOINT OR CONCURRENT, OR ACTIVE OR PASSIVE. TO THE EXTENT ANY DAMAGES REQUIRED TO BE PAID HEREUNDER ARE LIQUIDATED, THE PARTIES ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE DAMAGES ARE DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE, OTHERWISE OBTAINING AN ADEQUATE REMEDY IS INCONVENIENT AND THE LIQUIDATED DAMAGES CONSTITUTE A REASONABLE APPROXIMATION OF THE HARM OR LOSS.

7.3 <u>Duty to Mitigate</u>. Each Party agrees that it has a duty to mitigate damages and covenants that it will use commercially reasonable efforts to minimize any damages it may incur as a result of the other Party's performance or non-performance of this Agreement.

ARTICLE VIII GOVERNING LAW - DISPUTE RESOLUTION

8.1 <u>Governing Law and Jurisdiction</u>. THIS AGREEMENT AND THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE PARTIES HEREUNDER SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED, ENFORCED AND PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO AND SHALL BE BROUGHT IN THE STATE AND FEDERAL COURTS LOCATED IN HAMILTON COUNTY OHIO.

Dispute Resolution. Any claim, controversy or dispute arising out of or relating to this 8.2 Agreement, or the breach thereof, shall be resolved fully and finally by binding arbitration. under the Commercial Rules, but not the administration, of the American Arbitration Association, except to the extent that the Commercial Rules conflict with this provision, in which event, this Agreement shall control. This arbitration provision shall not limit the right of either Party prior to or during any such dispute to seek, use, and employ ancillary, or preliminary or permanent rights and/or remedies, judicial or otherwise, for the purposes maintaining the status quo until such time as the arbitration award is rendered of the dispute is otherwise resolved. The arbitration shall be conducted in Cincinnati, Ohio and the laws of Ohio shall govern the construction and interpretation of this Agreement, except to provisions related to conflict of laws. Within ten (10) Business Days of service of a Demand for Arbitration, the parties may agree upon a sole arbitrator, or if a sole arbitrator cannot be agreed upon, a panel of three arbitrators shall be named. One arbitrator shall be selected by CRS and one shall be selected by Buyer. A knowledgeable, disinterested and impartial arbitrator shall be selected by the two arbitrators so appointed by the parties. If the arbitrators appointed by the parties cannot agree upon the third arbitrator within ten (10) Business Days, then either Party may apply to any judge in any court of competent jurisdiction for appointment of the third arbitrator. There shall be no discovery during the



arbitration other than the exchange of information that is provided to the arbitrator(s) by the Parties. The arbitrator(s) shall have the authority only to award equitable relief and compensatory damages, and shall not have the authority to award punitive damages or other non-compensatory damages. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be rendered within sixty (60) Business Days after the date of the selection of the arbitrator(s) or within such period as the Parties may otherwise agree. Each Party shall be responsible for the fees, expenses and costs incurred by the arbitrator appointed by each Party, and the fees, expenses and costs of the third arbitrator (or single arbitrator) shall be borne equally by the Parties. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding and may not be appealed. Any Party may apply to any court having jurisdiction to enforce the decision of the arbitrator(s) and to obtain a judgment thereon.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties may cancel or terminate this Agreement in accordance with its terms and conditions without being required to follow the procedures set forth in this Article.

ARTICLE IX MISCELLANEOUS

9.1 Representations and Warranties. On the Effective Date and on the date of entering into this Agreement, each Party represents and warrants to the other Party that; (a) it is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation and is qualified to conduct its business in each jurisdiction; (b) it has all regulatory authorizations necessary for it to legally perform its obligations under this Agreement and any other documentation relating to this Agreement; (c) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and any other documentation relating to this Agreement are within its powers, have been duly authorized by all necessary action and do not violate any of the terms and conditions in its governing documents, any contracts to which it is a party or any law, rule, regulation, order or similar provision applicable to it; (d) this Agreement and each other document executed and delivered in accordance with this Agreement constitutes its legally valid and binding obligation enforceable against it in accordance with its terms; (c) there are no bankruptcy proceedings pending or being contemplated by it or, to its knowledge, threatened against it; (f) there is not pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against it or any of its affiliates any legal proceedings that could materially adversely affect its ability to perform its obligation under this Agreement or any other document relating to this Agreement; (g) no Event of Default or event which, with the giving of notice or lapse of time, or both, would constitute an Event of Default with respect to it has occurred and is continuing and no such event or circumstance would occur as a result of its entering into or performing its obligations under this Agreement or any other document relating to this Agreement or any Transaction; and (h) it is acting for its own account, has made its own independent decision to enter into this Agreement and as to whether such Agreement is appropriate or proper for it based upon its own judgment, is not relying upon the advice or recommendations of the other Party in so doing, and is capable of assessing the merits of and understanding and understands and accepts, the terms,

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conditions and risks of this Agreement.

- 9.2 Assignment. This Agreement shall be assignable by CRS without GM's consent provided such assignment is to any other direct or indirect subsidiary of Cinergy Corp. and provided that such direct or indirect subsidiary has an equivalent or higher credit rating than CRS. This Agreement shall be assignable by GMs without CRS' consent provided such assignment is to any other direct or indirect subsidiary of GM and provided that such direct or indirect subsidiary has an equivalent or higher credit rating than GM4 Any other assignment by either Party of this Agreement or any rights or obligation hereunder shall be made only with the written consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 9.3 <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests, statements or payments shall be made as specified below. Notices required to be in writing shall be delivered by letter, facsimile or other documentary form. Notice by regular mail shall be deemed to have been received three (3) Business Days after it has been sent. Notice by facsimile or hand delivery shall be deemed to have been received by the close of the Business Day on which it was transmitted or hand delivered (unless transmitted or hand delivered after close of normal business hours, in which case it shall be deemed to have been received at the close of the next Business Day). Notice by overnight or courier shall be deemed to have been received two (2) Business Days after it has been sent. A Party may change its addresses by providing notice of the same in accordance with this Section 9.3.

To CRS:

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James B. Gainer 139 East Fourth Street Cincinnati, OH 45202

Phone -513-287-2633 Fax-513-287-1902

Tố GM;

Philip A. Leach Energy & Utility Services Group Worldwide Facilities Group PCC-Central Mail Code 483-520-168 2000 Centerpoint Parkway Pontiac, MI 48341

Phone: (248) 753-1763 Fax: (248) 753-6225

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- General. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties relating to 9.4 the subject matter contemplated by this Agreement. This Agreement shall be considered for all purposes as prepared through the joint efforts of the Parties and shall not be construed against one Party or the other as a result of the preparation, substitution, submission or other event of negotiation, drafting or execution hereof. No amendment or modification to this Agreement shall be enforceable unless set forth in writing and executed by both Parties. This Agreement shall not impart any rights enforceable by any third party (other than a permitted successor or assignee bound to this Agreement). No waiver by a Party of any default by the other Party shall be construed as a waiver of any other default. Any provision declared or rendered unlawful by any applicable court of law or regulatory agency or deemed unlawful because of a statutory change will not otherwise affect the remaining lawful obligations that arise under this Agreement. The headings used herein are for convenience and reference purposes only. All indemnity and audit rights contained herein shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement for three (3) years,
- 9.5 <u>Confidentiality</u>. Neither Party shall disclose the terms or conditions of this Agreement to a third party (other than the Party's employees, Affiliates, lenders, counsel, accountants or advisors who have a need to know such information and have agreed to keep such terms confidential) except in order to comply with any applicable law, regulation, or in connection with any court or regulatory proceeding applicable to such Party; provided, however, each Party shall, to the extent practicable, use reasonable efforts to prevent or limit the disclosure. The Parties shall be entitled to all remedies available at law or in equity to enforce, or seek relief in connection with, this confidentiality obligation.
- 9.6 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be separately executed in counterparts each of which when so executed shall be deemed to constitute one and the same Agreement.
- 9.7 This Agreement supercedes and replaces in its entirety the agreement between CRS and GM dated November 8, 2004. Nothing in this Agreement shall affect the terms and conditions agreed to by Cinergy and the Industrial Energy Users-Ohio pursuant to the agreement dated May 8, 2000 related to the settlement of certain issues in PUCO Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP.

The Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives in multiple counterparts as of the Effective Date.

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As to clause 9.7:

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Exhibit A: Customer Group: General Motors, Inc.

Quarterly Option Payment Calculation

The CRS option payment will be equivalent to the actual amount paid to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company for the following billing charges under its market-based standard service offer approved by the Commission in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA:

- Regulatory Transition Charge (RTC)
- Anaually Adjusted Component of POLR Charge (AAC)
- Fuel and Purchase Power (FPP) includes Emission Allowance Expense
- 50% of System Reliability Tracker (SRT)
- Infrastructure Maintenance Fund (IMF) Charge in excess of 4% of "little g"
- Electric Choice Insufficient Return Notice Fee charged to customers, who have given notice of their return to CG&E standard tariff service on or before 12/30/2004 and are actively taking CG&E service no later than 01/31/2005.

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EXHIBIT B: Customer Group: General Motors, Inc.

CRS Generation Rates for former Rate DS Standard Service Customers

Net Monthly Bill

Computed in accordance with the following charges. (Kilowatt of demand is abbreviated as kW and kilowatt-bours are abbreviated as kWb):

Generation Charges

Demand Charge	
 First 1,000 kilowatts	\$7.6574 per kW
Additional kilowatts	\$6.8574 per kW

(b) Energy Charge

Billing Demand times 300	. \$0.019576 per kWb	
Additional kilowatt-hours	. 58.816266 per kWh	

Transmission Charges

Customer will pay a transmission charge equivalent to the sum of all applicable transmission charges that they would pay to CG&E as a standard tariff customer. Transmission charges to be paid include, but are not limited to the following FUCO approved charges:

- (1) Network Transmission Services
- (2) MISO Schedule Charges
- (3) Net Congestion Charges

Rate Stabilization Charge

Cinergy Retail Sales will reimburse the customer for any Rate Stabilization Charge (RSC) actually paid by the customer.

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Exhibit C: Customer Group: General Motors, Inc. -Customer Account List

This agreement pertains to the following General Motors, Inc. accounts



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Agreement

This agreement is between Cinergy Corp. (Cinergy), through its agent Cinergy Retail Sales, LLC (CRS), and the Industrial Energy Users-Ohio (IEU-Ohio) for the benefit of Marathon Ashland, Inc., and General Motors, Inc., (Customers), effective this 28th day of May 2004. As to General Motors, Inc., this agreement is effective only to General Motors, Inc., West Chester Operation (GM). It is the intent of the parties to this agreement to bind the Customers to the terms and conditions set forth herein. The following is the entire agreement between CRS and IEU-Ohio (Parties); it may not be amended except by the written agreement of the parties.

This agreement is binding on the Parties regarding the subject matter herein and is to remain confidential among the Parties and may be released to non-parties only if ordered by a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction. If the issue of this agreement's confidentiality comes before a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction the party before such court or administrative agency shall immediately notify the other party. The Parties shall defend the confidentiality of this agreement. The Parties shall not circulate the agreement, or its existence; to any employee, agent, or assignee of the party unless such employee, agent, or assignee has a need to know for the purpose of effectuating the agreement. For purposes of this paragraph, the term Parties includes the Customers.

> DEPOSITION EXHIBIT #13

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The Parties, for good consideration, agree to the following terms

and conditions:

1. Beginning January 1, 2005 or at such later time as may be specified herein for any accounts of each Customer that may be presently receiving competitive retail generation service from a supplier not affiliated with Cinergy, CRS shall supply, on a full requirements basis, and each Customer shall purchase firm competitive retail electric generation service from CRS or another Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider designated by CRS. Any accounts of each Customer presently receiving competitive retail electric service from a non-Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider shall have the right to delay the start date of the above described supply relationship with CRS to a date specified by such Customer provided that such delay does not cause the supply relationship with CRS to commence later than January 1, 2006. The all requirements, firm, competitive retail generation supply provided by CRS to Customers shall be priced at the currently effective unbundled generation price specified in the otherwise applicable tariff schedule for standard offer service less and amount equals to the applicable Regulatory Transition Charge RTE, the resulting specified price also known as Little GHJ Compliant contracts to implement the above described service relationship between Customers and CRS shall be executed as soon as reasonably possible and shall terminate no later than December 31, 2008. Cinergy shall reimburse Customers for payments made to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company as follows: (1) From January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005, any Customer purchasing competitive retail electric service from a non-Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider shall maintain the shopping credit structure (payment of Big G less the applicable shopping credit) approved by the Commission in case no. 99-1658-EL-ETP and Cinergy shall reimburse monthly such Customers for half of the amount, billed to Customers as the component of the Provider of Last Resort (POLR) charge paid to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company; (2) from January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005, Cinergy shall reimburse GM monthly the full amount, billed to and paid by GM as the RTC component paid to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company provided dis purchasing competitive retail electric service from a non-Cinergy affiliated

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competitive retail electric service provider during such calendar year (3) beginning January 1, 2005, through December 31, . 2005, for all Customers purchasing competitive retail electric service from a Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider, Cinergy shall reimburse monthly all such Customers for the as billed and actual full amount of the RTC, the as billed and actual full amount of any Rate Stabilization Charges, and half of the amount billed to Customers as the POLR component actually paid to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company; (4) beginning January 1, 2006, for Customers purchasing the above described competitive retail electric service from a Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider. Cinergy shall reimburse monthly all Customers for the full amount billed to and paid by Customers as the RTC, the full amount billed to and paid by Customers as Rate Stabilization Charges, and half of the amount billed to Customers as the POLR component actually paid to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company.

- 2. If, prior to December 31, 2008, the Customers add additional load or accounts in The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's certified territory which exceeds the Customer's combined (all accounts) maximum demand as of January 1, 2005, such new load or accounts may receive the options and benefits accruing from participation in this agreement to the extent that, for each Customer, such new load or accounts cumulatively represents new annual peak load of three (3) MW or less; any accounts representing new load beyond the foregoing limit are not included under this agreement.
- 3. Customers purchasing competitive retail electric service from a non-Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider shall be deemed to have provided, through this agreement, such written notice as may be required prior to the end of such purchase contract so that the Customers may avoid any penalty or additional charge that may arise absent such notice upon returning to standard offer service provided by The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company.
- 3. Cinergy shall pay the Industrial Energy Users-Ohio \$100,000.00 as compensation for legal services, upon the issuance of a final order of the Commission satisfactory to Cinergy.
- 4. Customers shall pay The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's otherwise applicable transmission and distribution rates as

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approved by the Commission. Customers, or their appointed representative, retain all rights to participate in Commission and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission proceedings that may affect the rates, terms, or conditions of distribution and transmission service.

- 5. Nothing in this agreement shall affect the terms and conditions agreed to by Industrial Energy Users-Ohio on behalf of General Motors, and Cinergy, pursuant to the agreement dated May 8, 2000 related to the settlement of certain issues in PUCO Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP.
- 6. Cinergy will comply with all regulatory requirements necessary to create an affiliated competitive retail electric service provider to supply competitive retail electric service to Customers as required by paragraph one (1) of this agreement.
- 7. The Industrial Energy Users-Ohio shall support a Stipulation filed by The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company and the IEU-Ohio in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA subject to such reservation as IEU-Ohio has communicated to Cinergy.

This agreement terminates after December 31, 2008, or as follows:

- A. The Commission, in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA, fails to issue a final order acceptable to Cinergy.
- B. A court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction issues an order depriving the parties of the benefits of this agreement or otherwise voiding this agreement.
- C. Each Customer may individually terminate this agreement in its entirety, including its contract with the CRS, upon twelve (12) months written notice to CRS provided that such termination shall be effective for all Customer accounts and for this entire agreement.

Before termination of the agreement as provided in paragraphs A and B above, the parties agree to use best efforts to fulfill the intent of this agreement, by negotiating amendments to the agreement that provide the parties with substantially the same economic benefit for substantially the same consideration as contained in the original agreement.

All notices, demands, and statements to be given hereunder shall be given in writing to the parties at the addresses appearing herein below and will be effective upon actual receipt:

To Customers:

Samuel C. Randazzo, Esq. McNees, Wallace & Nurick 21 East State Street, 17th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215 (614) 469-8000

To Cinergy:

Cinergy James B. Gainer 139 East Fourth Street Cincinnati, OH 45202

or such other address as is provided in writing by the recipient from time to time. Payments shall be made by ACH or wire transfer to the account designated by the payee from time to time.

Cinergy and the Customers shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the non-breaching party from any and all claims by third parties including the government regarding the enforcement or breach of this agreement, including but not limited to, property damages, environmental damages, contract damages, fines, or penalties arising from or in connection with the provision or acceptance of competitive retail electric service arising from or in connection with the performance of this agreement.

This agreement is for the exclusive benefit of the Parties and shall apply to successors and assigns of the affected Customers as well as

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Cinergy provided, as to the Customers, they continue to display substantially similar load and usage characteristics as those that presently exist. The Parties shall not assign their rights or obligations under this agreement without the written consent of the non-assigning party and such written consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

This agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.

Entered into on this 28th day of May:

On behalf of Cinergy

On Behalf of the Customers

Paul A. Colbert, Senior Counsel The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company 155 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

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Samuel C. Randazzo, Esq. McNees, Wallace & Nurick 21 East State Street 17th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

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Agreement

This agreement is between Cinergy Corp. (Cinergy), through its agent Cinergy Retail Sales, LLC (CRS), and the Industrial Energy Users-Ohio (IEU-Ohio) for the benefit of Marathon Ashland, Inc., and General Motors, Inc., (Customers), effective this 8th day of November 2004. This Agreement replaces and supersedes the terms and conditions of the Agreement dated May 28th 2004, between IEU-Ohio and Cinergy. As to General Motors, Inc., this agreement is effective only to General Motors, Inc., West Chester Operation (GM). It is the intent of the parties to this agreement to bind the Customers to the terms and conditions set forth herein. The following is the entire agreement between CRS and IEU-Ohio (Parties); it may not be amended except by the written agreement of the parties.

This agreement is binding on the Parties regarding the subject matter herein and is to remain confidential among the Parties and may be released to non-parties only if ordered by a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction. If the issue of this agreement's confidentiality comes before a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction the party before such court or administrative agency shall immediately notify the other party. The Parties shall defend the confidentiality of this agreement. The Parties shall not circulate the agreement, or its existence, to any employee, agent, or assignee of the party unless such employee, agent, or assignee has a need to know for _ . .

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the purpose of effectuating the agreement. For purposes of this paragraph, the term Parties includes the Customers.

The Parties, for good consideration, agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. Beginning January 1, 2005, or at such later time as may be specified herein for any accounts of each Customer that may be presently receiving competitive retail generation service from a supplier not affiliated with Cinergy, CRS shall supply, on a full requirements basis, and each Customer shall purchase firm competitive retail electric generation service from CRS or another Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider designated by CRS. Any accounts of each Customer presently receiving competitive retail electric service from a non-Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider shall have the right to delay the start date of the above described supply relationship with CRS to a date specified by such Customer provided that such delay does not cause the supply relationship with CRS to commence later than January 1, 2006. The all requirements, firm, competitive retail generation supply provided by CRS to Customers shall be priced at the currently effective unbundled generation price specified in the otherwise applicable tariff schedule of The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company for standard offer service, less an amount equal to the applicable Regulatory Transition Charge (RTC), the resulting specified price also known as "Little G"1: Compliant contracts to implement the above described service relationship between Customers and CRS shall be executed as soon as reasonably possible and shall terminate no later than December 31, 2008. Cinergy shall reimburse Customers for actual payments made to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company as follows: (1) From January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005, any Customer purchasing competitive retail electric service from a non-Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider shall maintain the shopping credit structure (payment of Big G less the applicable shopping credit) approved by the Commission in case no. 99-1658-EL-ETP and Cinergy shall reimburse monthly such Customers for the rate stabilization charge component. and one half of the system reliability tracker component, of the Provider of Last Resort (POLR) charge paid to The Cincinnati

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Gas & Electric Company; (2) from January 1, 2005, through December 31, 2005, Cinergy shall reimburse GM monthly the full amount billed to and paid by GM as the Regulatory Transition Charge paid to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company provided GM is purchasing competitive retail electric service from a non-Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider during such calendar year (3) beginning January 1, 2005, through December 31, 2005, for all Customers purchasing competitive retail electric service from a Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider, Cinergy shall reimburse monthly all such Customers for the as billed and actual full amount of the Regulatory Transition Charge, the as billed and actual full amount of any Rate Stabilization Charges, and one half the amount billed to Customers as the system reliability tracker component of the Provider Of Last Resort charge actually paid to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company; (4) beginning January 1, 2006, for Customers purchasing the above described competitive retail electric service from a Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider. Cinergy shall reimburse monthly all Customers for the full amount billed to and paid by Customers as the Regulatory Transition Charge, the full amount billed to and paid by Customers as Rate Stabilization Charge component, and one half the amount billed to Customers as the system reliability tracker component, of the Provider Of Last Resort charge actually paid to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Customers shall pay all remaining applicable Company. market-based standard service offer charges including, but not limited to, the infrastructure maintenance fund component of the Provider of Last Resort charge. To the extent that Customers actually pay the infrastructure maintenance fund component of the Provider of last resort Charge, Cinergy shall reimburse, consistent with the reimbursement schedule contained herein, infrastructure maintenance fund payments in excess of 4% of little g. Nothing herein shall operate to limit the ability of each Customer to avoid all or such portion of any standard service offer charge that may be avoided by shopping customers. Cinergy and the Customers understand that: (1) this agreement was drafted based on the expectation that each Customer shall qualify as shopping customers so as to avoid all or such portion of any standard service offer charge that may be avoided by shopping customers; and, (2) as a shopping customer, each Customer shall not be billed any standard service offer charge that may be avoided by shopping customers.

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- 2. If, prior to December 31, 2008, the Customers add additional load or accounts in The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's certified territory which exceeds the Customer's combined (all accounts) maximum demand as of January 1, 2005, such new load or accounts may receive the options and benefits accruing from participation in this agreement to the extent that, for each Customer, such new load or accounts cumulatively represents new annual peak load of three (3) MW or less; any accounts representing new load beyond the foregoing limit are not included under this agreement.
- 3. Customers purchasing competitive retail electric service from a non-Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider shall be deemed to have provided, through this agreement, such written notice as may be required prior to the end of such purchase contract so that the Customers may avoid any penalty or additional charge that may arise absent such notice upon returning to standard offer service provided by The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company.
- 4. Cinergy shall pay the Industrial Energy Users-Ohio \$100,000.00 as compensation for legal services, upon the issuance of a final order of the Commission satisfactory to Cinergy.
- 5. This agreement has no application to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's transmission and distribution rates as approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. Customers shall pay the applicable transmission and distribution rates of The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company as approved by the Commission, and/or if applicable, shall pay to Cinergy Retail Sales the applicable transmission charges equal to the transmission charges approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio for Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company. Customers, or their appointed representative, retain all rights to participate in Commission and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission proceedings that may affect the rates, terms, or conditions of distribution and transmission service.
- 6. Nothing in this agreement shall affect the terms and conditions agreed to by Industrial Energy: Users-Ohio on behalf of General Motors and Cinergy, pursuant to the agreement dated May 8, 2000 related to the settlement of certain issues in PUCO Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP.

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- 7. Cinergy will comply with all regulatory requirements necessary to create an affiliated competitive retail electric service provider to supply competitive retail electric service to Customers as required by paragraph one (1) of this agreement.
- 8. The Industrial Energy Users-Ohio shall support a Stipulation filed by The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company and the IEU-Ohio in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA subject to such reservation as IEU-Ohio has communicated to Cinergy. The Customers shall cause the Industria Energy Users-Ohio to support an Application for Researing filed by The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company seeking reinstatement without modification of the Stipulation signed by The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company and IEU-Ohio of approval by the Commission without modification of the CGSE alternative proposal submitted in its application for researing in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA, and any related litigation.

This agreement terminates after December 31, 2008, or as follows:

- A. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, in case no. 03-93-EL-ATA, fails to issue an entry on rehearing acceptable to Cinergy such that it restores without modification the original Stipulation signed by the farties or adopts without modification CG&E's alternative proposal made in its application for rehearing.
- B. A court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction issues an order depriving the parties of the benefits of this agreement or otherwise volding this agreement.
- C. Each Customer may incividually terminate this agreement in its entirety, including its contract with the CRS, upon twelve (12) months written nonce to CRS provided that such termination shall be effective for all Customer accounts and for this entire agreement.

Before termination of the agreement as provided in paragraphs A and B above, the parties agree to use best afforts to fulfill the intent of this agreement, by negotiating argend ments to the agreement that provide the

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To Cinergy:

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or such other address as is provided in writing by the recipient from time to time. Payments shall be made by ACH or wire transfer to the account designated by the payce fips time to time.

Cinergy and the Cu comers shall delend, indemnify, and hold harmless the non-breachine party from any and all claims by third parties including the government regarding the enforcement or breach of this agreement, including but not limited to, property damages, environmental damages, contract canages, fines, or penalties arising from or in connection with the provision of acceptance of competitive retail electric service arising form or an order connection with the performance of this agreement.

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This agreement shall be sow med by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohp.

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On behalf of Cinergy

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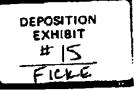
Agreement

This agreement is between Cinergy Corp. (Cinergy), and the Cognis Inc. (Cognis), effective this 7th day of June 2004. It is the intent of the parties to this agreement to bind Cinergy and Cognis to the terms and conditions set forth herein. The following is the entire agreement between Cinergy and Cognis (parties); it may not be amended except by the written agreement of the parties.

This agreement is binding on the parties regarding the subject matter herein and both the terms and existence of the agreement are to remain confidential among the parties and may be released to nonparties only if ordered by a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction. If any issue related to the confidentiality of this agreement comes before a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction the party before such court or administrative agency shall use best efforts to immediately notify the other party. The parties shall defend the confidentiality of this agreement. The parties shall not circulate the agreement, or disclose its existence, to any employee, agent, or assignce of the party unless such employee, agent, or assignce has a need to know for the purpose of effectuating the agreement.

The parties, for good consideration, agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. Cognist shall, through December 31, 2008, purchase its full requirements generation service pursuant to its current tariff and pursuant to the Electric Reliability and Rate Stabilization



Plan approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission).

- 2. Cinergy shall reimburse Cognis for the first 4% of the annually adjusted component of Provider of Last Resort Charges actually paid by Cognis during the calendar year 2005; the first 8% actually paid in 2006; the first 12% actually paid in 2007, and the first 16% actually paid in 2008.
- 2. If, prior to December 31, 2008, Cognis adds additional load or accounts in The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's certified territory which exceeds Cognis's combined (all accounts) maximum demand as of January 1, 2005, such new load or accounts may receive the options and benefits accruing from participation in this agreement to the extent that such new load or accounts cumulatively represents new peak load of one (1) MW or less; any accounts representing new load beyond the foregoing limit are not included under this agreement.
- 4. This agreement has no application to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's transmission and distribution rates as approved by the Commission.
- 5. Cognis shall support a Stipulation filed by The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company and Cognis, in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA, and any related litigation.

This agreement terminates after December 31, 2008, or upon the occurrence of any of the following:

- A. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA, or any subsequent fuel cost recovery case, fails to approve as part of the capped provider of last resort charge, a fuel cost recovery mechanism such that The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company may recover fuel costs equal to the average costs for fuel consumed at The Cincinnati gas & Electric Company's plants, and economy purchase power costs, for sales in The Cincinnati gas & Electric Company's Certified Service Territory.
- B. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, in case no. 03-93-EL-ATA, fails to issue an order acceptable to Cinergy.
- C. Upon thirty (30) days written notice by either party upon the issuance of an order by a court or regulatory body of competent jurisdiction that substantially prevents either party from performing its obligations pursuant to this agreement.

D. Cognis may terminate this agreement, in its entirety, upon twelve (12) months written notice to Cinergy that Cognis will purchase less than its full requirements generation service from CG&E or other Cinergy affiliate. Subject to the notice requirement of this provision, nothing in this agreement prohibits Cognis from terminating this agreement and constructing and utilizing co-generation facilities or switching generation suppliers.

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All notices, demands, and statements to be given hereunder shall be given in writing to the parties at the addresses appearing herein below and will be effective upon actual receipt:

To Cognis:

Mr. Steve Kennedy Cognis Corp. 5051 Estercreek Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45232-1446

To Cinergy:

Cinergy James B. Gainer 139 East Fourth Street Cincinnati, OH 45202

or such other address as is provided in writing by the recipient from time to time. Payments shall be made by ACH or wire transfer to the account designated by the payee from time to time.

Cinergy and Cognis shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the non-breaching party from any and all claims by third parties including the government regarding the enforcement or breach of this agreement, including but not limited to, property damages, environmental damages, contract damages, fines, or penalties arising from or in connection with

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the provision or acceptance of competitive retail electric service arising from or in connection with the performance of this agreement.

This agreement is for the exclusive benefit of the Parties and shall apply to successors and assigns of Cognis as well as Cinergy provided, as to Cognis, that it continues to display substantially similar load and usage characteristics as those that presently exist. The Parties shall not assign their rights or obligations under this agreement without the written consent of the non-assigning party and such written consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

This Letter Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.

Entered into on this 7th day of June:

On behalf of Cinergy

On Behalf of Cognis

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Paul A. Colbert, Senior Counsel The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company 155 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

Mr. Steve Kennedy Cognis Corp. 5051 Estercreek Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45232-1446

Agreement

This agreement is between Cinergy Corp. (Cinergy), and the Cognis Inc. (Cognis), effective this 28th day of October 2004. It is the intent of the parties to this agreement to bind Cinergy and Cognis to the terms and conditions set forth herein. This Agreement replaces and supersedes the terms and conditions of the Agreement dated June 7th 2004 between Cognis and Cinergy. The following is the entire agreement between Cinergy and Cognis (parties); it may not be amended except by the written agreement of the parties.

This agreement is binding on the parties regarding the subject matter herein and both the terms and existence of the agreement are to remain confidential among the parties and may be released to nonparties only if ordered by a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction. If any issue related to the confidentiality of this agreement comes before a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction the party before such court or administrative agency shall use best efforts to immediately notify the other party. The parties shall defend the confidentiality of this agreement. The parties shall not circulate the agreement, or disclose its existence, to any employee, agent, or assignee of the party unless such employee, agent, or assignee has a need to know for the purpose of effectuating the agreement.

The parties, for good consideration, agree to the following terms and conditions:

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- 1. Cognis shall, through December 31, 2008, purchase its full requirements generation service pursuant to its current tariff and pursuant to the Electric Reliability and Rate Stabilization Plan approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission).
- Cinergy shall reimburse Cognis for actual payments up to the 2.first 4% of the annually adjusted component of Provider of Last Resort Charges actually paid by Cognis during calendar year 2005; the first 8% of the annually adjusted component of Provider of Last Resort Charges actually paid in 2006; the first 12% of the annually adjusted component and system reliability component of Provider of Last Resort Charges actually paid, and the emission allowance expense component of the price to compare actually paid in 2007, and the first 16% of the annually adjusted component and system reliability component of Provider of Last Resort Charges actually paid, and the emission allowance expense component of the price to compare actually paid in 2008. Cognis shall pay the entirety of the remainder of CG&E's approved rates and charges including but not limited to the Infrastructure Maintenance Fund, To the extent that Cognis actually pays the Infrastructure Maintenance Fund component of the Provider of Last Resort Charge, CG&E shall reimburse annual Infrastructure Maintenance Fund payments in excess of 4% of little g.
- 3. If, prior to December 31, 2008, Cognis adds additional load or accounts in The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's certified territory which exceeds Cognis's combined (all accounts) maximum demand as of January 1, 2005, such new load or accounts may receive the options and benefits accruing from participation in this agreement to the extent that such new load or accounts cumulatively represents new peak load of one (1) MW or less; any accounts representing new load beyond the foregoing limit are not included under this agreement.
- 4. This agreement has no application to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's transmission and distribution rates as approved by the Commission.
- 5. Cognis shall support an Application for Rehearing filed by The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company and/or Cognis, in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA, and any related litigation.

6. Cognis shall pay The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's transmission and distribution rates as approved by the Commission.

This agreement terminates after December 31, 2008, or upon the occurrence of any of the following:

- A. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA, or any subsequent fuel cost recovery case, fails to approve as part of the capped provider of last resort charge, a fuel cost recovery mechanism such that The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company may recover fuel costs equal to the average costs for fuel consumed at The Cincinnati gas & Electric Company's plants, and economy purchase power costs, for sales in The Cincinnati gas & Electric Company's Certified Service Territory.
- B. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, in case no. 03-93-EL-ATA, fails to issue an entry on rehearing acceptable to Cinergy such that it restores without modification the original Stipulation signed by the Parties or adopts without modification CG&E's alternative proposal made in its application for rehearing.
- C. Upon thirty (30) days written notice by either party upon the issuance of an order by a court or regulatory body of competent jurisdiction that substantially prevents either party from performing its obligations pursuant to this agreement.
- D. Until March 1, 2005, Cognis may terminate this agreement, in its entirety, immediately upon providing oral notice to Cinergy. As of March 1, 2005, Cognis may terminate this agreement, in its entirety, upon twelve (12) months written notice to Cinergy that Cognis will purchase less than its full requirements generation service from CG&E or other Cinergy affiliate. Subject to the notice requirement of this provision, nothing in this agreement prohibits Cognis from terminating this agreement and constructing and utilizing co-generation facilities or switching generation suppliers.

All notices, demands, and statements to be given hereunder shall be given in writing to the parties at the addresses appearing herein below and will be effective upon actual receipt:

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To Cognis:

Mr. Steve Kennedy Cognis Corp. 5051 Estercreek Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45232-1446

To Cinergy:

Cinergy James B. Gainer 139 East Fourth Street Cincinnati, OH 45202

or such other address as is provided in writing by the recipient from time to time. Payments shall be made by ACH or wire transfer to the account designated by the payee from time to time.

Cinergy and Cognis shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the non-breaching party from any and all claims by third parties including the government regarding the enforcement or breach of this agreement, including but not limited to, property damages, environmental damages, contract damages, fines, or penalties arising from or in connection with the provision or acceptance of competitive retail electric service arising from or in connection with the performance of this agreement.

This agreement is for the exclusive benefit of the Parties and shall apply to successors and assigns of Cognis as well as Cinergy provided, as to Cognis, that it continues to display substantially similar load and usage characteristics as those that presently exist. The Parties shall not assign their rights or obligations under this agreement without the written consent of the non-assigning party and such written consent

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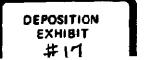
WHEREAS, on December 14, 2000 a Confirmation Letter Agreement for a transaction under the Cinergy Operating Companies market-based power sales tariff was entered into between New Energy, Inc. and the Cinergy Operating Companies to supply firm energy to fulfill the retail power requirements of certain of the grocery stores, offices and related facilities of The Kroger Co. located in the service territory of The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company (Grocery Store Sale);

WHEREAS, on December 14. 2000, a Performance Assurance Agreement was entered into between The Kroger Co., New Energy Inc. and Cinergy Services, Inc. whereby certain performance assurances were provided by The Kroger Co. and New Energy to Cinergy Services, Inc.;

WHEREAS, on July 31, 2001, a Confirmation Letter Agreement for a transaction under the Cinergy Operating Companies market-based power sales tariff was entered into between AES New Energy, and the Cinergy Operating Companies to supply firm energy to fulfill the retail power requirements of the Kroger Co. State Street Plant (State Street Sale);

WHEREAS, the Performance Assurance Agreement was amended effective July 31, 2001;

WHEREAS, the competitive retail electric market in Ohio has not developed as envisioned when the Electric Transition Plan of The



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Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company ("CG&E") in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP was approved by the PUCO;

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2004, CG&E filed an Electric Reliability and Rate Stabilization Plan at the request of the Commission in order to further the transition to a competitive market;

WHEREAS, the power sales agreements by the Cinergy Operating Companies for ultimate sale to The Kroger Co. provided for firm power, and to permit Kroger to be fairly charged for reserve margin and other costs associated with the provision of competitive retail electric service as contained in the proposed Electric Reliability and Rate Stabilization Plan, and for other consideration, this new Agreement has been entered into.

This Agreement is between Cinergy Retail Sales, LLC ("Cinergy"), and The Kroger, Co. ("Kroger"), effective this <u>7th</u> day of July, 2004. It is the intent of the Parties to this Agreement to bind Cinergy and Kroger to the terms and conditions set forth herein. The following Agreement may not be amended except by the written Agreement of the Parties.

This Agreement is binding on the Parties regarding the subject matter herein and is to remain confidential among the Parties and may be released to non-Parties only if ordered by a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction. If the issue of this Agreement's confidentiality comes before a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction the Party before such court or administrative agency shall immediately notify the other Party. The Parties shall defend

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the confidentiality of this Agreement. The Parties shall not circulate the Agreement, or its existence, to any employee, agent, or assignce of the Party unless such employee, agent, or assignce has a need to know for the purpose of effectuating the Agreement.

The Parties, for good consideration, agree to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Effective January 1, 2005, and ending December 31, 2005, Kroger shall continue to purchase competitive retail electric service from New Energy, its non-Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider, under both the Grocery Store Sale and the State Street Sale. During 2005, Kroger shall pay monthly the annually adjusted portion of the provider of last resort charge approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA and Cinergy or any affiliate thereof shall reimburse Kroger quarterly for half of the amount actually paid. Kroger shall comply with all other requirements of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's order in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof may set off revenues collected for the annually adjusted component of the Provider of Last Resort Charges paid, against any outstanding balance owed to any Cinergy company
- 2. Beginning January 1, 2006, through December 31, 2007, Cinergy or any affiliate thereof shall continue to be the wholesale power supplier to Kroger's retail electric service provider by exercising Extension 1 and Extension 2 under the Grocery Store Sale. It is anticipated that New Energy will continue to be Kroger's retail electric service provider during 2006-2007; however, if New Energy elects not to provide such service then Kroger may choose a different retail electric service provider, including a Cinergy affiliate, and wholesale firm power will be provided by Cinergy at the same price, terms and conditions as set forth in Extension 1 and Extension 2. If a Cinergy affiliate is chosen as Kroger's CRES, then the Cinergy CRES will provide generation at retail at the prices set forth in Extension 1 and Extension 2, plus transmission costs. Kroger shall pay to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company the annually adjusted component of Provider of Last Resort Charge, (but not the Rate Stabilization Charge component of the POLR), and the Regulatory Transition Charge approved by the Public

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Utilities Commission of Ohio in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof shall reimburse Kroger quarterly for half of the annually adjusted component of the Provider of Last Resort Charge actually paid to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof may set off revenues collected for the annually adjusted component of the Provider of Last Resort Charges paid, against any outstanding balance owed to any Cinergy company. With respect to the State Street Plant the following is agreed upon for the period January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2007: No later than 60 days after an order is issued in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA or December 31, 2004 (whichever comes first) the State Street Plant must elect: a) to take service under the same terms and conditions as the grocery stores described above; or b) to take service under the terms of the Rate Stabilization Plan approved by the Commission in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA, except that one half of the annually adjusted component of the Provider of Last Resort Charge will be reimbursed monthly.

3. Effective January 1, 2008, Kroger may purchase for both its grocery stores and State Street Plant competitive retail electric service from any competitive retail electric service provider, including Cinergy, at the market rate quoted by such providers. Kroger shall provide Cinergy a right of first refusal to provide competitive retail electric service at the market rate offered by the competitive retail electric service provider selected by Kroger who has provided Kroger with a bone fide and verifiable service Kroger shall pay to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric offer. Company the annually adjusted component of the Provider of Last Resort Charge (but not the Rate Stabilization Charge component of the POLR), and the Regulatory Transition Charge approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP. For calendar year 2008. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof shall reimburse Kroger quarterly for half of the annually adjusted component of the Provider of Last Resort Charge actually paid to The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof may set off revenues collected for the annually adjusted component of the Provider of Last Resort Charges paid, against any outstanding balance owed to any Cinergy company.

4. The Cinergy Operating Companies shall exercise their Extension 1 and Extension 2 options under the December 14, 2000 Confirmation Letter Agreement to sell generation supply to New Energy Inc. in 2006 and 2007 for resale to Kroger.

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- 5. If, prior to December 31, 2008, Kroger adds additional load or accounts in The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's certified territory which exceeds Kroger's combined (all accounts) maximum demand as of January 1, 2005, such new load or accounts may receive the options and benefits accruing from participation in this Agreement to the extent that such new load or accounts cumulatively represents new peak load of three (3) MW or less; any accounts representing new load beyond the foregoing limit are not included under this Agreement.
- 6. Kroger shall pay The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's transmission and distribution rates as approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.
- 7. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof will comply with all regulatory requirements necessary to create an affiliated competitive retail electric service provider to offer competitive retail electric service to Kroger as contemplated by this Agreement.
- 8. Kroger shall support the May 19, 2004 Stipulation and Recommendation by The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company and Kroger in case no. 03-93-EL-ATA.
- 9. For the grocery stores and related facilities, this Agreement constitutes Kroger's contract with a creditworthy CRES to provide firm generation service for its full capacity, energy and transmission requirements through December 31, 2008 and satisfies the requirements of the Stipulation and Recommendation in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA that the first 25% of eligible load by consumer rate class to switch to a CRES shall not pay the Rate Stabilization Charge. For the State Street Plant, this Agreement also constitutes Kroger's contract with a creditworthy CRES to provide firm generation service for its full capacity, energy and transmission requirements through December 31, 2008 thus making the Rate Stabilization charge by-passable; provided that the State Street Plant elects to take service under the same terms and conditions as the grocery stores as set forth in Paragraph 2.
- 10. Nothing in this Agreement modifies or limits any settlement agreement reached by the Parties or their agents in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP.
- 11. If an order in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA is issued which is acceptable to CG&E but which renders invalid or ineffective any provision of this Agreement to the economic detriment of

Kroger, then Cinergy will provide the same economic value to Kroger through some other mutually acceptable process.

This Agreement terminates after December 31, 2008, or as follows:

- A. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA, and ongoing fuel cost recovery cases, fails to approve as part of the capped Provider of Last Resort Charge, a fuel cost recovery mechanism such that fuel costs equal the average embedded fuel costs for all consumers in The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company service territory served by any Cinergy company.
- B. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA or a related case necessary to carry out the terms and conditions of this Agreement, issues an order unacceptable to Cinergy.
- C. A court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction issues and order depriving the Parties of the benefits of this Agreement or otherwise voiding this Agreement.

Before termination of the Agreement as provided by paragraph A and B above, the Parties agree to use best efforts to fulfill the intent of this Agreement, by negotiating amendments to the Agreement that provide the Parties with substantially the same economic benefit for substantially the same consideration as were contained in the original Agreement.

All notices, demands, and statements to be given hereunder shall be given in writing to the Parties at the addresses appearing herein below and will be effective upon actual receipt:

To Customers:

The Kroger Co. Denis George 1014 Vine Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202-1100

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To Cinergy:

Cinergy James B. Gainer 139 East Fourth Street Çincinnati, OH 45202

or such other address as is provided in writing by the recipient from time to time. Payments shall be made by ACH or wire transfer to the account designated by the payee from time to time.

Cinergy and Kroger shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the non-breaching Party from any and all claims by third Parties regarding the enforcement or breach of this Agreement, arising from or in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

This Agreement is for the exclusive benefit of the Parties and may not be assigned without the written consent of the non-assigning Party.

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.

Entered into on this 7th day of July:

On behalf of Cinergy

On Behalf of The Kroger Co.

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Paul A. Colbert, Senior Counsel The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company 155 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

Michael L. Kurtz, Counsel Boehm, Kurtz, & Lowry 36 East Seventh Street Suite 1510 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

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WHEREAS, on December 14, 2000, a Confirmation Letter Agreement for a transaction under the Cinergy Operating Companies market-based power sales tariff was entered into between New Energy, Inc. and the Cinergy Operating Companies to supply firm energy to fulfill the retail power requirements of certain of the grocery stores, offices and related facilities of The Kroger Co. located in the service territory of The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company (Grocery Store Sale);

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2000, a Performance Assurance Agreement was entered into between The Kroger Co., New Energy Inc. and Cinergy Services, Inc. whereby certain performance assurances were provided by The Kroger Co. and New Energy to Cinergy Services, Inc.;

WHEREAS, on July 31, 2001, a Confirmation Letter Agreement for a transaction under the Cinergy Operating Companies market-based power sales tariff was entered into between AES New Energy and the Cinergy Operating Companies to supply firm energy to fulfill the retail power requirements of the Kroger Co. State Street Plant (State Street Sale);

WHEREAS, the Performance Assurance Agreement was amended effective July 31, 2001;

WHEREAS, the competitive retail electric market in Ohio has not developed as envisioned when the Electric Transition Plan of The



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Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company ("CG&E") in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP was approved by the PUCO;

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2004, CG&E filed an Electric Reliability and Rate Stabilization Plan at the request of the Commission in order to further the transition to a competitive market;

WHEREAS, the power sales agreements by the Cinergy Operating Companies for ultimate sale to The Kroger Co. provided for firm power, and to permit Kroger to be fairly charged for reserve margin and other costs associated with the provision of competitive retail electric service as contained in the proposed Electric Reliability and Rate Stabilization Plan, and for other consideration, this new Agreement has been entered into.

This Agreement is between Cinergy Retail Sales, LLC ("Cinergy"), and The Kroger, Co. ("Kroger"), effective this 22nd day of November, 2004. This Agreement replaces and supersedes the terms and conditions of the Agreement dated July 7, 2004, between Kroger and Cinergy (Parties). It is the intent of the Parties to this Agreement to bind Cinergy and Kroger to the terms and conditions set forth herein. The following Agreement may not be amended except by the written Agreement of the Parties.

This Agreement is binding on the Parties regarding the subject matter herein and is to remain confidential among the Parties and may be released to non-Parties only if ordered by a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction. If the issue of this Agreement's

confidentiality comes before a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction the Party before such court or administrative agency shall immediately notify the other Party. The Parties shall defend the confidentiality of this Agreement. The Parties shall not circulate the Agreement, or its existence, to any employee, agent, or assignee of the Party unless such employee, agent, or assignee has a need to know for the purpose of effectuating the Agreement.

The Parties, for good consideration, agree to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Effective January 1, 2005, and ending December 31, 2005, Kroger shall continue to purchase competitive retail electric service from New Energy, its non-Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider, under both the Grocery Store Sale and the State Street Sale. During 2005, Kroger shall pay monthly to CG&E all applicable components of the Provider Of Last Resort (POLR) charge and to Cinergy half of the emission. allowance component of the fuel component of the price to compare approved by the PUCO in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA; and Cinergy or any affiliate thereof shall reimburse Kroger quarterly for half of the amount actually paid of the POLR charge, except the Rate Stabilization Charge (RSC) and the Infrastructure Maintenance Fund (IMF) charge which shall be paid in full by Kroger (subject to Paragraph 4). Kroger shall comply with all other requirements of the PUCO's order in Case No. 03-93 EL-Cinergy or any affiliate thereof may set off revenues ATA. collected for the POLR Charges or emission allowance component of the price to compare, against any outstanding balance owed to any Cinergy company
- 2. Beginning January 1, 2006, through December 31, 2007, Cinergy or any affiliate thereof shall continue to be the wholesale power supplier to Kroger's retail electric service provider by exercising Extension 1 and Extension 2 under the Grocery Store Sale, including the wholesale price of generation contained therein. It is anticipated that New Energy, will continue to be Kroger's retail electric service provider during 2006-2007; however, if New Energy elects not to provide such

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service then Kroger may choose a different retail electric service provider, including a Cinergy affiliate, and wholesale firm power will be provided by Cinergy at the same price, terms and conditions as set forth in Extension 1 and Extension 2. Kroger shall pay to CG&E all applicable components of the POLR charge, the Regulatory Transition Charge (RTC) approved by the PUCO in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP, and shall pay to Cinergy or the applicable Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider half of the emission allowance component of the fuel component of the price to compare: Cinergy or any affiliate shall reimburse Kroger quarterly for half of the amount actually paid of the POLR charge, except the RSC and IMF charge which shall be paid in full by Kroger (subject to Paragraph 4). Cinergy or any affiliate thereof may set off revenues collected for the POLR Charges and emission allowance component of the fuel component of the price to compare, against any outstanding balance owed to any Cinergy company. With respect to the State Street Plant Kroger shall take service under the same terms, conditions and price as the grocery stores described above.

3. Effective January 1, 2008, Kroger may purchase for both its grocery stores and State Street Plant competitive retail electric service from any competitive retail electric service provider, including Cinergy, at the market rate quoted by such providers. Kroger shall provide Cinergy a right of first refusal to provide competitive retail electric service at the market rate offered by the competitive retail electric service provider selected by Kroger who has provided Kroger with a bone fide and verifiable service offer. Kroger shall pay to CG&E all of the applicable POLR charges, and the RTC approved by the PUCO in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP, and shall pay to Cinergy or the applicable Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider half of the emission allowance component of the fuel component of the price to compare. For calendar year 2008, Cinergy or any affiliate thereof shall reimburse Kroger quarterly for half of the POLR charge actually paid to CG&E, except the RSC and IMF charge which shall be paid in full by Kroger (subject to Cinergy or any affiliate thereof may set off Paragraph 4). revenues collected for the POLR Charges, and one-half of the emission allowance component of the fuel component of the price to compare, against any outstanding balance owed to any Cinergy company.

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- 4. To the extent that Kroger actually pays the IMF, Cinergy shall reimburse Kroger quarterly for IMF payments in excess of 4% of little g.
- 5. CG&E's POLR charge is expected to consist of these components: 1) RSC; 2) AAC; 3) IMF; and 4) System Reliability Tracker (SRT).
- 6. The Cinergy Operating Companies shall exercise their Extension 1 and Extension 2 options under the December 14, 2000 Confirmation Letter Agreement to sell generation supply to New Energy Inc. in 2006 and 2007 for resale to Kroger under the Grocery Store Sale and State Street sale at the wholesale generation price set forth therein.
- 7. If, prior to December 31, 2008, Kroger adds additional load or accounts in The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company's certified territory which exceeds Kroger's combined (all accounts) maximum demand as of January 1, 2005, such new load or accounts may receive the options and benefits accruing from participation in this Agreement to the extent that such new load or accounts cumulatively represents new peak load of three (3) MW or less; any accounts representing new load beyond the foregoing limit are not included under this Agreement.
- 8. This agreement has no application to CG&E's transmission and distribution rates as approved by the PUCO. Kroger shall pay the applicable transmission and distribution rates of CG&E as approved by the Commission, and/or if applicable, shall pay to Cinergy Retail Sales the applicable transmission charges equal to the transmission charges approved by the PUCO for CG&E.
- 9. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof will comply with all regulatory requirements necessary to create an affiliated Competitive Retail Electric Service (CRES) provider to offer competitive retail electric service to Kroger as contemplated by this Agreement.
- 10. Kroger shall support an Application for Rehearing filed by CG&E seeking reinstatement without modification of the Stipulation signed by CG&E and Kroger or approval by the Commission without modification of CG&E's Alternative Proposal submitted in its application for rehearing, in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA, and any related litigation.
- 11. This Agreement constitutes Kroger's contract with a creditworthy CRES to provide firm generation service for its full

capacity, energy and transmission requirements from January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2008 and satisfies the requirements of Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA that the first 50% of eligible load by consumer rate class to switch to a CRES shall not pay the Rate Stabilization Charge (RSC) and shall not pay the Annually Adjusted Component (AAC) of the POLR. Therefore, it is not expected that Kroger will pay either the RSC or AAC.

- 12. Nothing in this Agreement modifies or limits any settlement agreement reached by the Parties or their agents in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP.
- 13. If an order in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA is issued which is acceptable to CG&E but which renders invalid or ineffective any provision of this Agreement to the economic detriment of Kroger, then Cinergy will provide the same economic value to Kroger through some other mutually acceptable process.

This Agreement terminates after December 31, 2008, or as follows:

- A. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA, and ongoing fuel cost recovery cases, fails to approve as part of the capped Provider of Last Resort Charge, a fuel cost recovery mechanism such that fuel costs equal the average embedded fuel costs for all consumers in The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company service territory served by any Cinergy company.
- B. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, in case no. 03-93-EL-ATA, fails to issue an entry on rehearing acceptable to Cinergy such that it restores without substantial modification the original Stipulation signed by the Parties or adopts without substantial modification CG&E's Alternative Proposal made in its application for rehearing.
- C. A court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction issues and order depriving the Parties of the benefits of this Agreement or otherwise voiding this Agreement.

Before termination of the Agreement as provided by paragraph A and

B above, the Parties agree to use best efforts to fulfill the intent of this

Agreement, by negotiating amendments to the Agreement that provide

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the Parties with substantially the same economic benefit for substantially the same consideration as were contained in the original Agreement.

All notices, demands, and statements to be given hereunder shall be given in writing to the Parties at the addresses appearing herein below and will be effective upon actual receipt:

To Customers:

The Kroger Co. Denis George 1014 Vine Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202-1100

To Cinergy:

Cinergy James B. Gainer 139 East Fourth Street Cincinnati, OH 45202

or such other address as is provided in writing by the recipient from time to time. Payments shall be made in a commercially practicable manner such as by check, ACH or wire transfer to the account designated by the payee from time to time.

Cinergy and Kroger shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the non-breaching Party from any and all claims by third Parties regarding the enforcement or breach of this Agreement, arising from or in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

This Agreement is for the exclusive benefit of the Parties and may not be assigned without the written consent of the non-assigning Party.

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance

with the laws of the State of Ohio.

Entered into on this 22nd day of November:

On behalf of Cinergy

On Behalf of Kroger

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Paul A. Colbert, Senior Counsel The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company 155 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

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Michael Kurtz, Counsel Boehm, Kurtz, & Lowry 36 East Seventh Street Suite 2110 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

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Agreement

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2000, a Confirmation Letter Agreement for a transaction under the Cinergy Operating Companies market-based power sales tariff was entered into between New Energy, Inc. and the Cinergy Operating Companies to supply firm energy to fulfill the retail power requirements of certain of the grocery stores, offices and related facilities of The Kroger Co. located in the service territory of The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company (Grocery Store Sale);

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2000, a Performance Assurance Agreement was entered into between The Kroger Co., New Energy Inc. and Cinergy Services, Inc. whereby certain performance assurances were provided by The Kroger Co. and New Energy to Cinergy Services, Inc.;

WHEREAS, on July 31, 2001, a Confirmation Letter Agreement for a transaction under the Cinergy Operating Companies market-based power sales tariff was entered into between AES New Energy and the Cinergy Operating Companies to supply firm energy to fulfill the retail power requirements of the Kroger Co. State Street Plant (State Street Sale);

WHEREAS, the Performance Assurance Agreement was amended effective July 31, 2001;

WHEREAS, the competitive retail electric market in Ohio has not developed as envisioned when the Electric Transition Plan of The



Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company ("CG&E") in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP was approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO");

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2004, CG&E filed an Electric Reliability and Rate Stabilization Plan at the request of the Commission in order to further the transition to a competitive market;

WHEREAS, the power sales agreements by the Cinergy Operating Companies for ultimate sale to The Kroger Co. provided for firm power, and to permit Kroger to be fairly charged for reserve margin and other costs associated with the provision of competitive retail electric service as contained in the proposed Electric Reliability and Rate Stabilization Plan, and for other consideration, this new Agreement has been entered into.

This Agreement is between Cinergy Retail Sales, LLC ("Cinergy"), and The Kroger, Co. ("Kroger"), effective this 2^{++} day of November, 2005. This Agreement replaces and supersedes the terms and conditions of the Agreement dated November 22, 2004, between Kroger and Cinergy (Parties). It is the intent of the Parties to this Agreement to bind Cinergy and Kroger to the terms and conditions set forth herein. The following Agreement may not be amended except by the written Agreement of the Parties.

This Agreement is binding on the Parties regarding the subject matter herein and is to remain confidential among the Parties and may be released to non-Parties only if ordered by a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction. If the issue of this Agreement's

confidentiality comes before a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction the Party before such court or administrative agency shall immediately notify the other Party. The Parties shall defend the confidentiality of this Agreement. The Parties shall not circulate the Agreement, or its existence, to any employee, agent, or assignee of the Party unless such employee, agent, or assignee has a need to know for the purpose of effectuating the Agreement.

The Parties, for good consideration, agree to the following terms and conditions:

- Effective January 1, 2005, and ending December 31, 2005, 1. Kroger shall continue to purchase competitive retail electric service from New Energy, its non-Cinergy affiliated competitive retail electric service provider, under both the Grocery Store Sale and the State Street Sale. During 2005, Kroger shall pay monthly to CG&E all applicable components of the provider of last resort (POLR) charge and to Cinergy half of the emission allowance component of the fuel component of the price to compare approved by the PUCO in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA and Cinergy or any affiliate thereof shall reimburse Kroger quarterly for half of the amount actually paid of the POLR Charge except the rate stabilization charge (RSC) and the infrastructure maintenance fund (IMF) charge which shall be paid in full by Kroger. Kroger shall comply with all other requirements of the PUCO's order in Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof may set off revenues collected for the POLR. or emission allowance component of the price to Charges compare, against any outstanding balance owed to any Cinergy company
- 2. Beginning January 1, 2006, through December 31, 2007, Cinergy or any affiliate thereof shall continue to be the wholesale power supplier to Kroger's retail electric service provider by exercising Extension 1 and Extension 2 under the Grocery Store Sale, including the wholesale price of generation contained therein. New Energy will continue to be Kroger's retail electric service provider during 2006-2007; pursuant to the existing wholesale power supply agreements with Cinergy

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under the terms and conditions as set forth in Extension 1 and Extension 2 of the Grocery Store Sale. Kroger shall pay to CG&E all of the applicable POLR Charge, the Regulatory Transition Charge (RTC) approved by the PUCO in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP Cinergy or any affiliate shall reimburse Kroger quarterly for half of the amount actually paid of the POLR Charge, except the RSC and IMF Charge which shall be paid in full by Kroger. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof may set off revenues collected for the POLR Charges, against any outstanding balance owed to any Cinergy company. With respect to the State Street Plant Kroger shall take service under the same terms, conditions and price as the grocery stores described above.

- 3. Effective January 1, 2008, Kroger may purchase for both its grocery stores and State Street Plant competitive retail electric service from any competitive retail electric service provider, including Cinergy, at the market rate quoted by such providers. Kroger shall provide Cinergy a right of first refusal to provide competitive retail electric service at the market rate offered by the competitive retail electric service provider selected by Kroger who has provided Kroger with a bone fide and verifiable service offer. Kroger shall pay to CG&E all of the applicable POLR Charge, and the RTC approved by the PUCO in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP. For calendar year 2008, Cinergy or any affiliate thereof shall reimburse Kroger quarterly for half of the POLR Charge actually paid to CG&E, except the RSC and IMF Charge which shall be paid in full by Kroger. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof may set off revenues collected for the POLR Charges, against any outstanding balance owed to any Cinergy company.
- 4. The Cinergy Operating Companies shall exercise their Extension 1 and Extension 2 options under the December 14, 2000 Confirmation Letter Agreement to sell generation supply to New Energy Inc. in 2006 and 2007 for resale to Kroger under the Grocery Store Sale and State Street Sale at the wholesale generation price set forth therein.
- 5. If, prior to December 31, 2008, Kroger adds additional load or accounts in CG&E's certified territory which exceeds Kroger's combined (all accounts) maximum demand as of January 1, 2005, such new load or accounts may receive the options and benefits accruing from participation in this Agreement to the extent that such new load or accounts cumulatively represents new peak load of three (3) MW or less; any accounts

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representing new load beyond the foregoing limit are not included under this Agreement.

- 6. This Agreement has no application to CG&E's transmission and distribution rates as approved by the PUCO. Kroger shall pay the applicable transmission and distribution rates of CG&E as approved by the Commission, and/or if applicable, shall pay to Cinergy Retail Sales the applicable transmission charges equal to the transmission charges approved by the PUCO for Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company.
- 7. Cinergy or any affiliate thereof will comply with all regulatory requirements necessary to create an affiliated competitive retail electric service (CRES) provider to offer competitive retail electric service to Kroger as contemplated by this Agreement.
- 8. Kroger shall support approval of CG&E's application or any stipulation to which CG&E is a party in CG&E's pending electric distribution rate case PUCO Case No. 05-59-EL-AIR and its two pending cases with the PUCO surrounding the proposed Cinergy/Duke merger, Case No. 05-732-EL-MER and Case No. 05-733-EL-AAM.
- 9. This Agreement constitutes Kroger's contract with a creditworthy CRES to provide firm generation service for its full capacity, energy and transmission requirements from January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2008 and satisfies the requirements of Case No. 03-93-EL-ATA that the first 50% of eligible load by consumer rate class to switch to a CRES shall not pay the RSC and shall not pay the Annually Adjusted Component (AAC) of the POLR. Therefore, it is not expected that Kroger will pay either the RSC or AAC.
- 10. Nothing in this Agreement modifies or limits any settlement agreement reached by the Parties or their agents in Case No. 99-1658-EL-ETP.
- 11. If orders in CG& E's pending electric distribution rate case PUCO Case No. 05-59-EL-AIR and its two pending cases with the PUCO surrounding the proposed Cinergy/Duke merger, Case No. 05-732-EL-MER and Case No. 05-733-EL-AAM are issued which are acceptable to CG&E but which render invalid or ineffective any provision of this Agreement to the economic detriment of Kroger, then Cinergy will provide the same economic value to Kroger through some other mutually acceptable process.

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This Agreement terminates after December 31, 2008, or as follows:

- A. The PUCO, in Case No. 05-732-EL-MER and Case No. 05-733-EL-AAM, fails to issue entries acceptable to Cinergy approving the Cinergy/Duke Merger; or
- B. A court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction issues an order depriving the Parties of the benefits of this Agreement or the original November 22, 2004 Agreement otherwise voiding this Agreement.

Before termination of this Agreement as provided by paragraph A and B above, the Parties agree to use best efforts to fulfill the intent of this Agreement by negotiating amendments to this Agreement that going forward will provide the Parties with substantially the same economic benefit for substantially the same consideration as were contained in the original November 22, 2004 Agreement, and Kroger will also pay Cinergy an amount equivalent to the emission allowance costs that it would have paid to Cinergy in 2006 under the original November 22, 2004 Agreement. Under no circumstances will the terms and conditions of the existing wholesale power supply agreements between Cinergy and New Energy under Extension 1 and Extension 2 of the Grocery Store Sale be affected by the termination of this Agreement.

All notices, demands, and statements to be given hereunder shall be given in writing to the Parties at the addresses appearing herein below and will be effective upon actual receipt:

To Customers:

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The Kroger Co. Denis George 1014 Vine Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202-1100

To Cinergy:

Cinergy James B. Gainer 139 East Fourth Street Cincinnati, OH 45202

or such other address as is provided in writing by the recipient from time to time. Payments shall be made in a commercially practicable manner such as by check, ACH or wire transfer to the account designated by the payee from time to time.

Cinergy and Kroger shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the non-breaching Party from any and all claims by third Parties regarding the enforcement or breach of this Agreement, arising from or in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

This Agreement is for the exclusive benefit of the Parties and may not be assigned without the written consent of the non-assigning Party.

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.

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Entered into on this <u>4</u> day of November, 2005:

On behalf of Cinergy James Gamer

The Cincinnati Gas/& Electric Company 155 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

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On Behalf of Kroger

Michael Kurtz, Counsel Boehm, Kurtz, & Lowry 36 East Seventh Street Suite 1510 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

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AMENDMENT TO CITY OF CINCINNATI GREATER CINCINNATI WATER WORKS and THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY ELECTRICITY AGREEMENT

The Parties to that certain Electricity Agreement effective February 5, 2004 (the "Agreement") by and between The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company, an Ohio corporation with offices at 139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 ("CG&E"), and the City of Cincinnati, a municipality within the county of Hamilton and the State of Ohio, with offices located at 801 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (the "City") on behalf of the Greater Cincinnati Water Works, a department of the City located at 4747 Spring Grove Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45232 ("GCWW"), do hereby amend the Agreement by executing this Amendment to the City of Cincinnati Greater Cincinnati Water Works and The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company Electricity Agreement (this "Amendment") as follows:

Exhibit 1 to the Agreement is hereby deleted and amended in its entirety to provide as set forth in the amended Exhibit 1 appended to this Amendment.

All other provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, except that the revised Exhibit 1 attached to this Amendment shall replace the prior Exhibit 1 in its entirety.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Amendment to the Agreement to be executed by their authorized officers.

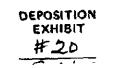
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Namie: <u>Valerie A. Lemmie</u> Title: <u>City Manager</u> Date: July 1, 2004

THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

By: Name:

Title: President. CG&E Date: June 14, 2004



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Attachment to Amendment to the Electricity Agreement

EXHIBIT 1

AGGREGATE GENERATION RATE DEFINITION AND FORMULA

<u>Definition</u>: For all purposes of the Agreement the term "aggregate generation rate" shall mean the avoidable generation charge available to shopping customers, as specified in CG&E tariffs, as such tariffs may be amended and approved from time to time by the PUCO.

Formula: The most recent consecutive twelve month period cost of generation from CG&E will be determined as follows:

- (1) The most recent twelve months of billed generation charges (including Rider RGR as applicable) for all accounts associated with the applicable customer (i.e., all City of Cincinnati accounts, MSD accounts, or GCWW accounts) will be summed individually for each customer.
- (2) The most recent twelve months of billed kWh usage for all accounts associated with the applicable customer will be summed individually for each customer.
- (3) The total MWh consumption is calculated as the total kWh usage divided by 1,000.
- (4) The Aggregate Applicable Generation Rate per MWh for each customer will be calculated by dividing the total of all billed generation charges for the applicable customer (determined in (1) above) by the total MWh consumption for the applicable customer (determined in (3) above).

Notes:

- The City of Cincinnati, the Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD), and the Greater Cincinnati Water Works (GCWW) are currently served under the following CG&E electric retail rates: Secondary Distribution Voltage (DS), Residential Service (RS), Optional Rate for Electric Space Heating (EH), Street Lighting (SL), Secondary Distribution Service - Small (DM), Primary Distribution Voltage (DP), and Transmission Voltage (TS).
- The generation charges contained in the tariff sheets listed above may contain stepped rates, demand charges, and summer-winter differentials. Therefore, the average generation "rate" for a given account will likely vary by month, usage profile (i.e., load factor), and rate sheet.
- Billed kWh usage may differ from metered kWh usage because of transformer loss adjustments specified in the applicable tariff sheet. Billed KWh usage will be used in the above calculation.
- Rider RGR (5% discount on generation rates applicable to residential customers served under Rate RS, ORH, and TD) credits will be included in item (1) totals to the extent that they appear on an account's bills.

Please refer to Attachment 1, appended to the original Exhibit 1 effective February 5, 2004, as the example.

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AMENDMENT TO CITY OF CINCINNATI and THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY ELECTRICITY AGREEMENT for CITY FACILITIES

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THE CITY OF CINCINNATI

Name Valerie A. Lenfoie Title: City Manager

THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

By: Name: Ficke Title: CG&E President,

Attachment to Amendment to the Electricity Agreement

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CITY OF CINCINNATI GREATER CINCINNATI WATER WORKS and THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY ELECTRICITY AGREEMENT

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This Electricity Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into this \underline{STM} day of February, 2004 (the "Effective Date"), by and between The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company, an Ohio corporation with offices at 139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 ("CG&E"), and the City of Cincinnati, a municipality within the county of Hamilton and the State of Ohio, with offices located at 801 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (the "City") on behalf of the Greater Cincinnati Water Works, a department of the City located at 4747 Spring Grove Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45232 ("GCWW"). CG&E and the City may each be referred to individually as a "Party" or collectively as "Parties."

WHEREAS, CG&E is a public utility company headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, CG&E desires to provide electricity to the GCWW; and

WHEREAS the GCWW desires to continue to purchase electricity from CG&E and to receive favorable prices when it seeks to purchase certain Related Energy Services (referred to in Paragraph 2 herein),

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises in this Agreement and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. <u>Electricity Service to GCWW</u>. GCWW will continue to purchase CG&E's tariffed generation and electric distribution services for which it qualifies through December 31, 2010, including, after the Market Development Period, any of the generation and electric distribution services for which it qualifies authorized by Ohio Revised Code Section 4928.14 and approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") or any other statute, rule, regulation or order of the PUCO governing tariffed services.

1.1 The Parties further agree that if during the period ending December 31, 2010, the "aggregate generation rate" based on the applicable CG&E tariff rates for GCWW exceeds S42.31 per MWH in any consecutive twelve month period, or if pursuant to the other two Electricity Agreements between the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati and the City (for City facilities) on the one hand, and CG&E, on the other hand, the "aggregate generation rate" set forth in Paragraph 1.1 of either of those two Electricity Agreements is exceeded, the City on behalf of GCWW, has the option to terminate this Agreement, the two Electricity Agreements and the "Convention Center Naming Rights Agreement" and to make payment to Cinergy Corp., CG&E's parent company, according to the schedule listed in Paragraph 21.1 thereof entered into with the City. The formula for the "aggregate generation rate" is attached as Exhibit 1. This Agreement shall also be terminated if any of the Convention Center Naming Rights Agreement or the two Electricity Agreements is terminated in accordance with any of its terms.

1.2 CG&E agrees to keep the City apprised on a semi-annual basis as to the electricity rates, programs, service options and most cost effective tariff rate available to the

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GCWW and to identify available cost savings alternatives to the GCWW. CG&E representatives will meet from time to time with the City representatives to discuss and attempt to resolve any GCWW reliability and service issues.

2. <u>Related Energy Services</u>. As further consideration for this Agreement, if at any time through December 31, 2010, GCWW determines that it requires High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Services, CG&E or its affiliate may offer GCWW High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Service at a price equal to its actual, usual and customary costs (that the City and/or GCWW, at the option of either or both, may audit) plus 10%. CG&E's normal mark-up for High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Service Maintenance Service at a 20%.

2.1 For the purposes of this Agreement "High Voltage" is defined as primary distribution voltage or above. The following infrastructure maintenance services would be available to be provided to high voltage applications:

Major troubleshooting and equipment repairs Substation power and auxiliary equipment services and repairs: Power transformers Voltage regulators and load tap changers Circuit breakers and reclosers Circuit switches, air break switches and disconnect switches Instrument and metering transformers Failure analysis Analytical testing 24-hour emergency equipment installation

2.2 In the event that the City and/or GCWW elects to take the High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Service, the City and/or GCWW and CG&E will jointly announce cost savings and other benefits associated with the High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Service to the media, as appropriate.

2.3 Unless otherwise prohibited by law, in exchange for OG&E's agreement to offer High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Service pursuant to Paragraph 2, the City, on behalf of GCWW, agrees that, except as provided in Paragraph 1.1 above, it will not switch generation service to another supplier at any time prior to December 31, 2010.

3. <u>Back-up Power</u>. Currently GCWW owns and maintains backup power sources that are not connected to CG&E's system. If the City or GCWW desires to install, own and maintain existing or additional back-up power sources to serve GCWW, nothing in this Agreement shall preclude GCWW from using its back-up power during power outages or emergencies, or using the back-up power to reduce peak usage or for other appropriate purposes.

4. <u>Term</u>. The term of this Agreement shall begin on the earliest date the Convention Center Naming Rights Agreement with the City and Cinergy Corp. becomes effective and shall end on December 31, 2010 (the "Term").

5. <u>CG&E Statements</u>. CG&E states that (i) there is not pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against it any legal proceedings that could materially adversely affect its ability to perform under this Agreement; (ii) it is duly organized validly existing and in good standing

under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation; (iii) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement are within its powers, have been duly authorized by all necessary action and do not violate any of the terms and conditions in its governing documents, any contracts to which it is a party or any law, rule, regulation or order; (iv) this Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to any equitable defenses; (v) there are no bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or reorganization or other arrangement proceedings pending or being contemplated, or to its knowledge threatened against it (vi) CG&E will not file a petition or otherwise commence or acquiesces in a proceeding under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law, or permit any such petition filed or commenced against it; (vii) CG&E will not otherwise become bankrupt or insolvent; and (viii) CG&E will not be determined, after final adjudication, by a Federal or state court or regulatory agency to have engaged in criminal activity (including, without limitation, the violation of any securities law, rule or regulation), misconduct and/or fraud in conducting its business. CG&E agrees that each of the foregoing statements shall survive the execution of this Agreement.

6. <u>The City Statements</u>. The City states that (i) there is not pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against it any legal proceedings that could materially adversely affect its ability to perform under this Agreement; (ii) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement are within its powers, have been duly authorized by all necessary actions; (iii) this Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to any equitable or sovereign or other immunity defenses; and (iv) there are no bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or reorganization or other arrangement proceedings pending or being contemplated, or to its knowledge threatened against it. The City agrees that each of the foregoing statements shall survive the execution of this Agreement and continue in effect as a material obligation of the City during the entire Term of this Agreement.

7. <u>Breach by City</u>. If prior to the end of 2010, the City chooses to become a municipal aggregator or a municipal utility and if CG&E or a CG&E affiliate is not selected as the provider of electric services, then at the option of CG&E or its parent, Cinergy Corp., this Agreement and the two Electricity Agreements between the City on behalf of the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati and the City (for City facilities) on the one hand, and CG&E, on the other hand, and the "Convention Center Naming Rights Agreement" entered into with the City on the same date as this Agreement, shall terminate. If at any time during the Term, the City breaches any of its material obligations under this Agreement, and such breach is not cured within thirty (30) days after receiving written notice of such breach from CG&E, then CG&E has the right to terminate this Agreement, the two Electricity Agreements and the Convention Center Naming Rights Agreements and the Convention Center Naming Rights Agreements and the CG&E has the right to terminate this Agreement, the two Electricity Agreements and the Convention Center Naming Rights Agreements.

8. <u>Breach by CG&E</u>. If at any time during the Term, CG&E breaches any of its material obligations under this Agreement, and such breach is not cured within thirty (30) days after receiving notice of such breach from the City, then the City has the right to terminate this Agreement, the two Electricity Agreements and the Convention Center Naming Rights Agreement.

9. <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement shall not be assigned by either Party without the prior written consent in each instance of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or withdrawn, except as hereinafter specifically provided. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is understood and agreed that CG&E may assign this Agreement at any time

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without the prior written consent of the City to (i) any of its affiliates, or (ii) to any entity succeeding in substantially all of the assets of CG&E or any entity that is the result of a merger between CG&E and a third party; provided that in either instance CG&E shall not be released from any of its duties, obligations or liabilities arising under this Agreement.

10. <u>Construction of Agreement</u>. This Agreement, the construction of this Agreement, all rights and obligations between the Parties to this Agreement, and any and all claims arising out of or relating to the subject matter of this Agreement (including all tort claims), shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the substantive laws of the State of Ohio without giving any effect to any conflict of law doctrine. The Paragraph headings in this Agreement are for convenience and reference purposes only.

11. <u>Waiver</u>. The failure of either Party to demand strict performance of the terms of this Agreement or the failure of either Party to exercise any of its rights hereunder shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of its right to assert or rely on any such terms or rights in the future, but the same shall continue to remain in full force and effect.

12. Notices. Any notice, request, protest, consent, demand, report or statement given by one Party to the other shall be in writing, and deemed duly received (a) forty-eight (48) hours after it is deposited in the United States mail, by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, and properly addressed as shown below, (b) upon personal delivery to the addressee, (c) upon delivery by a commercial courier or overnight delivery service requiring confirmation of receipt by the addressee, or (d) upon transmission by electronic mail or facsimile if confirmed by posting of the written original by certified mail, return receipt requested, within two (2) business days.

If to the City:

Director.

Greater Cincinnati Water Works 4747 Spring Grove Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45232 Ph: (513) 591.7970 Fax: (513) 591.6519

With a copy to:

City of Cincinnati Attn: City Solicitor 801 Plum Street, Rm. 212 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Ph: (513) 352-3334 Fax: (513) 352-1515

If to CG&E:

President The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company 139 East Fourth Street

Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Ph: (513) 287-2660 Fax: (513) 287-1592

13. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will deemed an original, but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument. An electronic mail or a facsimile transmission of this Agreement bearing a signature on behalf of a Party will be legal and binding on such Party.

14. Entirety. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties related to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous understandings, statements or agreements between the Parties on such subject matter. Each Party acknowledges and agrees that no employee, officer, agent or representative of the other Party has the authority to make any representations, statements or promises in addition to or in any way different than those contained in this Agreement, and that it is not entering into this Agreement or transaction in reliance upon any representation, statement or promise of the other Party except as expressly stated in this Agreement.

15. <u>Binding Nature</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their permitted successors and assigns.

16. <u>Advice of Counsel</u>. Both Parties have had the opportunity to have this Agreement reviewed by counsel; therefore, neither Party hereto shall be construed as the drafter hereof for purposes of construction and interpretation.

17. <u>Amendment</u>. No modification, amendment, supplement to or waiver of the Agreement or any of its provisions shall be binding unless made in writing and duly signed by the Party to be obligated by, or to perform, such modification.

18. <u>Survival</u>. If any provision of this Agreement shall be invalid or unenforceable with respect to either Party, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected, and each ternaining provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

19. <u>Costs and Expenses</u>. Both Parties will be responsible for any of their respective expenses incurred or imposed as a result of the Parties' execution of this Agreement. Additionally, each Party will bear sole responsibility for any orders, judgments, requirements, penalties, or fines assessed against such Party as a result of this Agreement.

20. <u>Dispute Resolution</u>. Should a dispute arise between the Parties relating to this Agreement, the Parties agree to use the following Alternative Dispute Resolution ("ADR") procedure prior to either Party pursuing other available remedies:

- The aggrieved Party shall send a written notice to the other Party describing the dispute.
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> THE CITY OF CINCINNATI On behalf of GREATER CINCINNATI WATER WORKS

PROVED AS TO FORE

By:

Name: Timothy H. Riordan Title: Assistant City Manager

THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

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EXHIBIT 1

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METROPOLITAN SEWER DISTRICT OF GREATER CINCINNATI, HAMILTON

COUNTY, OHIO

THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY ELECTRICITY AGREEMENT

This Electricity Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into this 5^{TM} day of February, 2004 (the "Effective Date"), by and between The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company, an Ohio corporation with offices at 139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 ("CG&E"), and the City of Cincinnati, a municipality within the county of Hamilton and the State of Ohio, with offices located at 801 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (the "City") on behalf of the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio ("MSD"), a district which operations are managed by the Department of Sewers, a department of the City, located at 1600 Gest Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45204 (the "MSD"). CG&E and the City may each be referred to individually as a "Party" or collectively as "Parties."

WHEREAS, CG&E is a public utility company headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, CG&E desires to provide electricity to the MSD; and

WHEREAS the MSD desires to continue to purchase electricity from CG&E and to receive favorable prices when it seeks to purchase certain Related Energy Services (referred to in Paragraph 3 herein),

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises in this Agreement and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. <u>Electricity Service to MSD</u>. The MSD will continue to purchase CG&E's tariffed generation and electric distribution services for which it qualifies through December 31, 2010, including, after the Market Development Period, any of the generation and electric distribution services for which it qualifies authorized by Ohio Revised Code Section 4928.14 and approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") or any other statute, rule, regulation or order of the PUCO governing tariffed services.

1.1 The Parties further agree that if during the period ending December 31, 2010, the "aggregate generation rate" based on the applicable CG&E tariff rates for the MSD exceeds \$42.40 per MWH in any consecutive twelve month period, or if pursuant to the other two Electricity Agreements between the City on behalf of the Greater Cincinnati Water Works and the City (for City facilities) on the one hand, and CG&E, on the other hand, the "aggregate generation rate" set forth in Paragraph 1.1 of either of those two Electricity Agreements is exceeded, the City on behalf of the MSD, has the option to terminate this Agreement, the two Electricity Agreements and the "Convention Center Naming Rights Agreement" and to make payment to Cinergy Corp., CG&E's parent company, according to the schedule listed in Paragraph 21.1 thereof entered into with the City. The formula for the "aggregate generation rate" is attached as Exhibit 1. This Agreement shall also be terminated if any of the Convention



Center Naming Rights Agreement or the two Electricity Agreements is terminated in accordance with any of its terms.

1.2 CG&E agrees to keep the City apprised on a semi-annual basis as to the electricity rates, programs, service options and most cost effective tariff rate available to the MSD and to identify available cost savings alternatives to the MSD. CG&E representatives will meet from time to time with the City representatives to discuss and attempt to resolve any MSD reliability and service issues.

2. <u>Related Energy Services</u>. As further consideration for this Agreement, if at any time through December 31, 2010, the MSD determines that it requires High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Services, CG&E or its affiliate may offer the MSD High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Service at a price equal to its actual, usual and customary costs (that the City and/or the MSD, at the option of either or both, may audit) plus 10%. CG&E's normal mark-up for High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Service ranges between 15% and 20%.

2.1 For the purposes of this Agreement "High Voltage" is defined as primary distribution voltage or above. The following infrastructure maintenance services would be available to be provided to high voltage applications:

Major troubleshooting and equipment repairs Substation power and auxiliary equipment services and repairs: Power transformers Voltage regulators and load tap changers Circuit breakers and rectosers Circuit switches, air break switches and disconnect switches Instrument and metering transformers Failure analysis Analytical testing 24-hour emergency equipment installation

2.2 In the event that the City and/or the MSD elects to take the High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Service, the City and/or the MSD and CG&E will jointly announce cost savings and other benefits associated with the High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Service to the media, as appropriate.

2.3 Unless otherwise prohibited by law, in exchange for CG&E's agreement to provide High Voltage Infrastructure Maintenance Service pursuant to this Paragraph 2, the City, on behalf of the MSD, agrees that, except as provided in Paragraph 1.1 above, it will not switch generation service to another supplier at any time prior to December 31, 2010.

3. <u>Back-up Power</u>. Currently the MSD owns and maintains backup power sources that are not connected to CG&E's system. If the City or the MSD desires to install, own and maintain existing or additional back-up power sources to serve the MSD, nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the MSD from using its back-up power during power outages or emergencies, or using the back-up power to reduce peak usage or for other appropriate purposes.

4. <u>Term</u>: The term of this Agreement shall begin on the earliest date the Convention Center Naming Rights Agreement with the City and Cinergy Corp. becomes effective and shall end on December 31, 2010 (the "Term").

5. <u>Approval of this Agreement by Board of Commissioners, Hamilton County, Ohio</u> and Periodic Reporting to Them. Because the MSD is a governmental entity subject to the jurisdiction of the Board of Commissioners, Hamilton County, Ohio ("Commissioners") who have contracted with the City for the Department of Sewers to manage and operate the MSD, the Parties agree that this Agreement is subject to the approval of the Commissioners and that the approval of the Commissioners is a condition precedent to this Agreement becoming effective. The City shall provide CG&E with written notice of approval of the Commissioners when and if such becomes effective. Additionally each time CG&E performs an aggregate generation rate calculation in accordance with the formula set forth in Exhibit 1, CG&E shall provide the calculation results to the Hamilton County Administrator and the City.

CG&E Statements. CG&E states that (i) there is not pending or, to its knowledge, 6. threatened against it any legal proceedings that could materially adversely affect its ability to perform under this Agreement; (ii) it is duly organized validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation; (iii) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement are within its powers, have been duly authorized by all necessary action and do not violate any of the terms and conditions in its governing documents, any contracts to which it is a party or any law, rule, regulation or order; (iv) this Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to any equitable defenses; (v) there are no bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or reorganization or other arrangement proceedings pending or being contemplated, or to its knowledge threatened against it (vi) CG&E will not file a petition or otherwise commence or acquiesces in a proceeding under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law, or permit any such petition filed or commenced against it; (vii) CG&E will not otherwise become bankrupt or insolvent; and (viii) CG&E will not be determined, after final adjudication, by a Federal or state court or regulatory agency to have engaged in criminal activity (including, without limitation, the violation of any securities law, rule or regulation), misconduct and/or fraud in conducting its business. CG&E agrees that each of the foregoing statements shall survive the execution of this Agreement and continue in effect as a material obligation of CG&E during the entire Term of this Agreement.

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If to the City:

Director,

Sewers Department and Metropolitan Sewer District 1600 Gest Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45204 Ph: (513) 244-5122 Fax: (513) 244-1399

With a copy to: City of Cincinnati Attn: City Solicitor 801 Phum Street, Rm. 212 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Ph: (513) 352-3334 Fax: (513) 352-1515

If to CG&E:

President The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company 139 East Fourth Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Ph: (513) 287-2660 Fax: (513) 287-1592

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By: Name: Timothy H. Riordan.

Title: Assistant City Manager

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Sample Calculation Of Composite Energy Costs

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Nanjundan, Uma Thursday, October 21, 2004 1:10 PM Ficke, Greg Farley, Jack RE: Industrial load pricing

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Greg,

Yes prices are current. If you like to have valuation for 4 counterparties, we can get this to you. Please let me know.

thanks,

Uma

----Original Message----From: Ficke, Greg Sent: Thursday, October 21, 2004 12:58 PM To: Nanjundan, Uma Cc: Farley, Jack Subject: RE: Industrial load pricing

Are these current? What about

From:	Nanjundan, Uma
Sent:	Wednesday, October 20, 2004 1:52 PM
To:	Ficke, Greg
Cc:	Farley, Jack
Subject:	FW: Industrial load pricing
Importance:	High

Greg,

As per your request made to Jack Farley, I am providing the cost to serve Dec 2008. The following are the assumptions used in the calculation:

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Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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A revised version of the previous spreadsheet is attached. On the previous spreadsheet, I incorrectly labeled the 2005 through 2008 rows as "running totals". They were actually just the charges for that year.

This revised spreadsheet correctly shows the four-year totals, and I added a row that shows the four-year total of the

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From:Ficke, GregSent:Wednesday, February 14, 2007 5:07 PMTo:Schafer, AnitaSubject:Zhang E-mail #1

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From: Zhang, Ben Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2004 11:18 AM To: Ficke, Greg Subject: FW: CRES

Greg,

These are the CRES numbers. We priced the load together. If we price customers individiually, they are pricier.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Regards, Ben

From: Zhang, Ben Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2004 11:05 AM To: Whitlock, Charles iject: rgy only All customer OEG IEG & Hospital Capacity (\$/MWhr) All customer OEG EG& Hospital Energy+ Capacity (\$/MWhr) All customer 5 OEG IEG & Hospital \$

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om:	Steffen, Jack
Sent:	Thursday, September 29, 2005 1:58 PM
Το:	Ficke, Greg
Subject:	FW: CRES Revenue Analysis - November 18.xls
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Attachments: CRES Revenue Analysis - November 18 xls

Is this the one that you are looking for?

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 Ziołkowski, Jim

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 Thursday, November 18, 2004 5:11 PM

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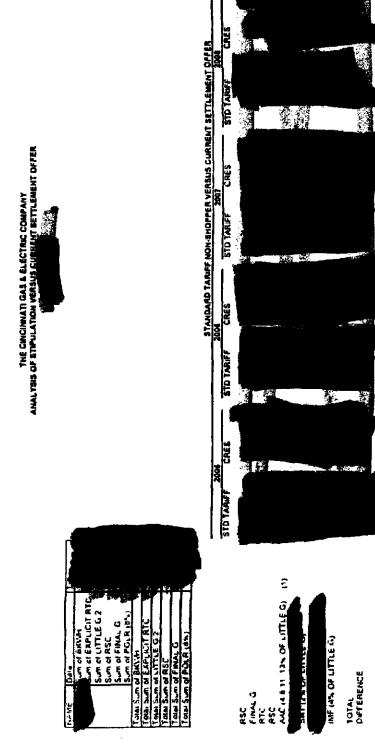
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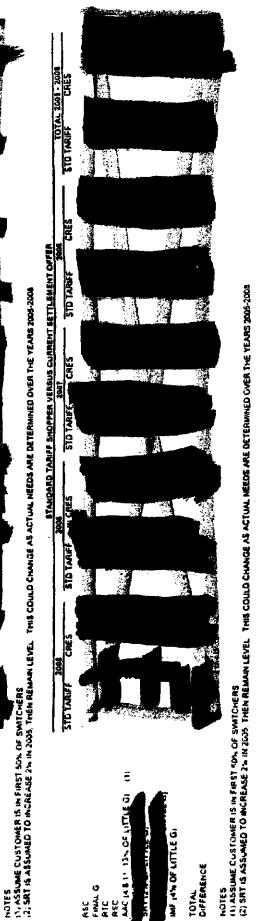


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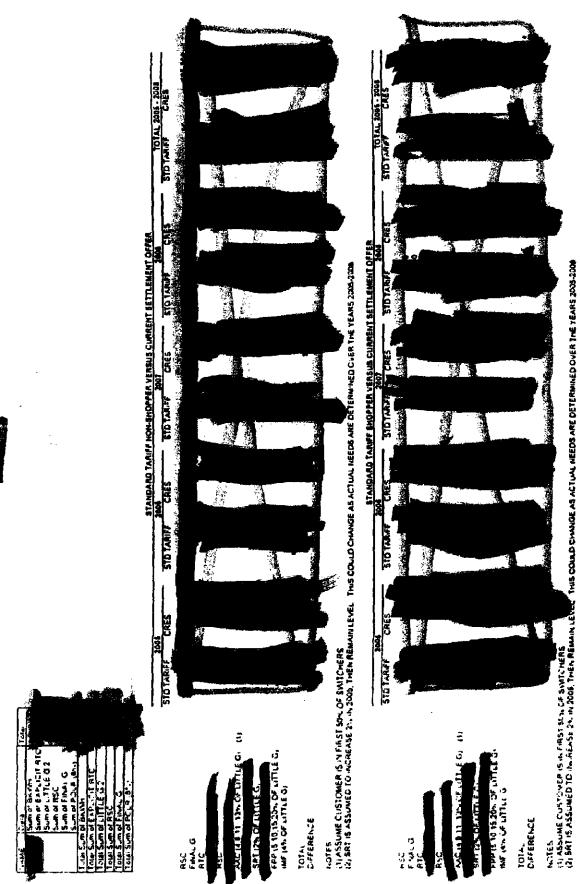
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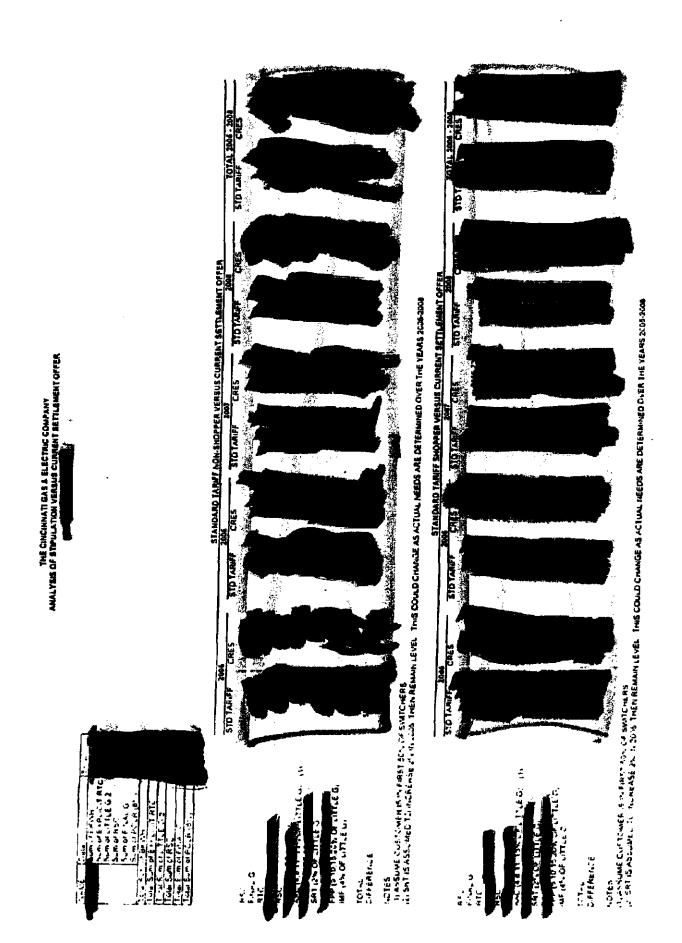
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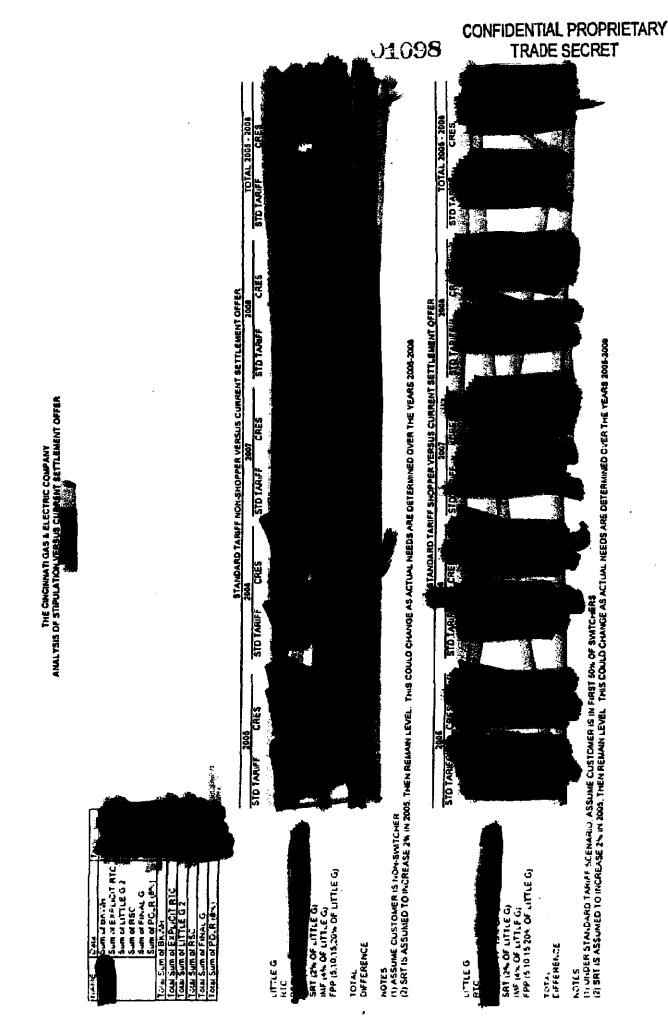


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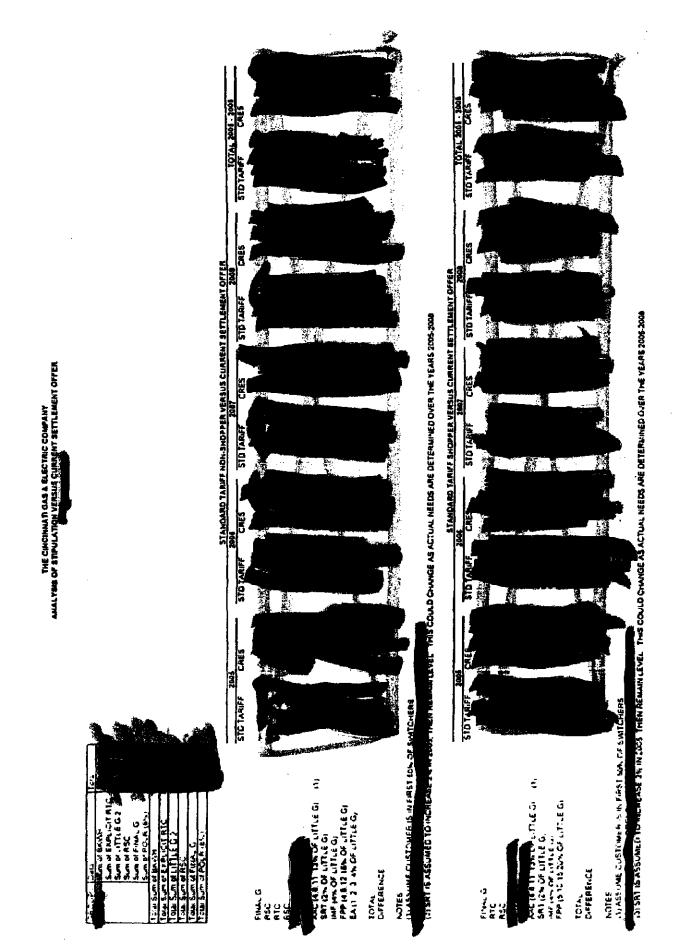
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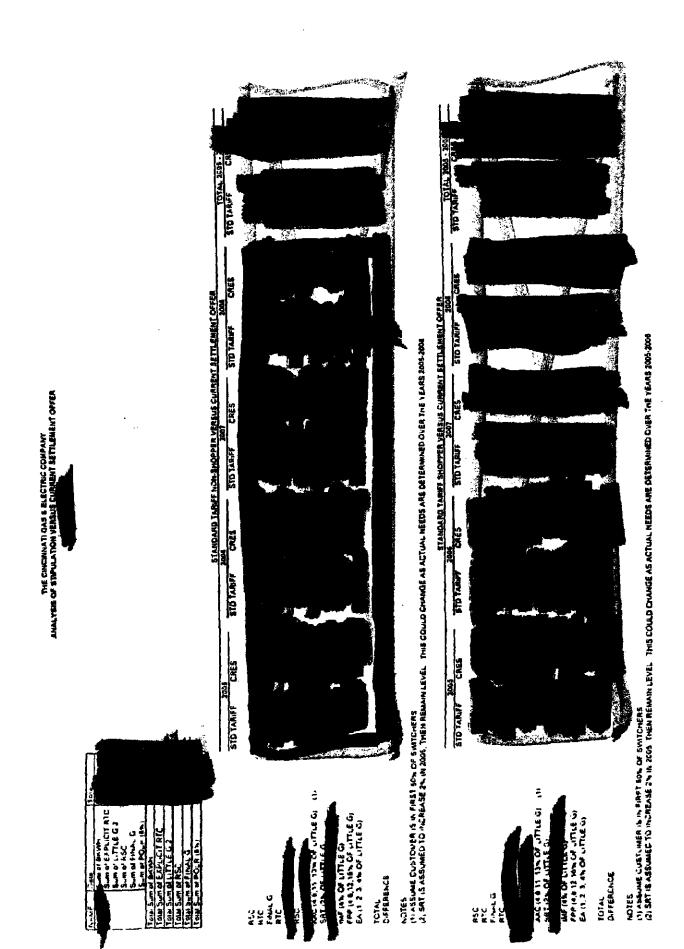


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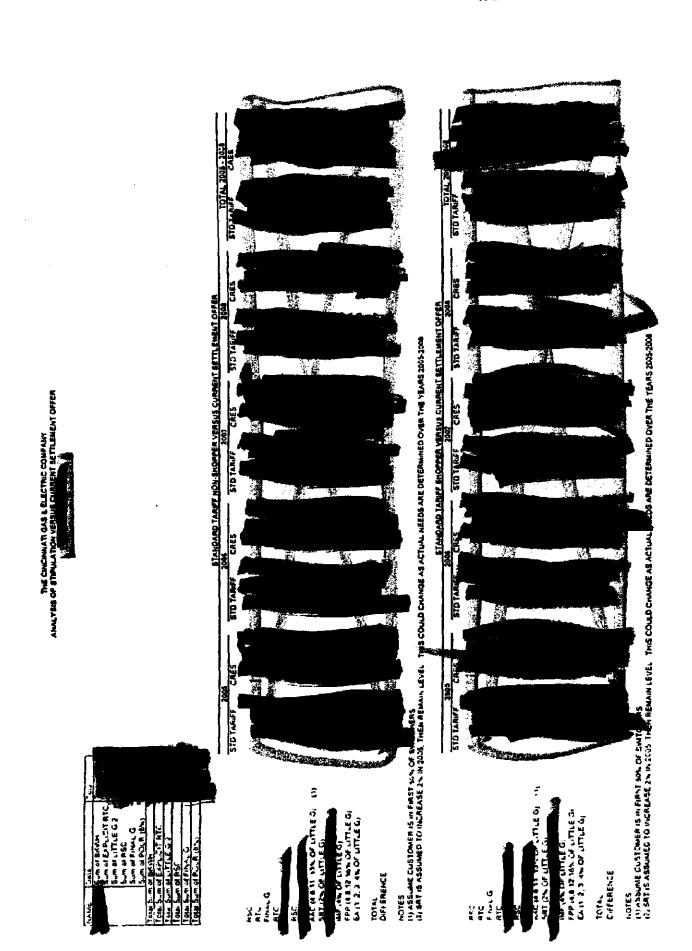




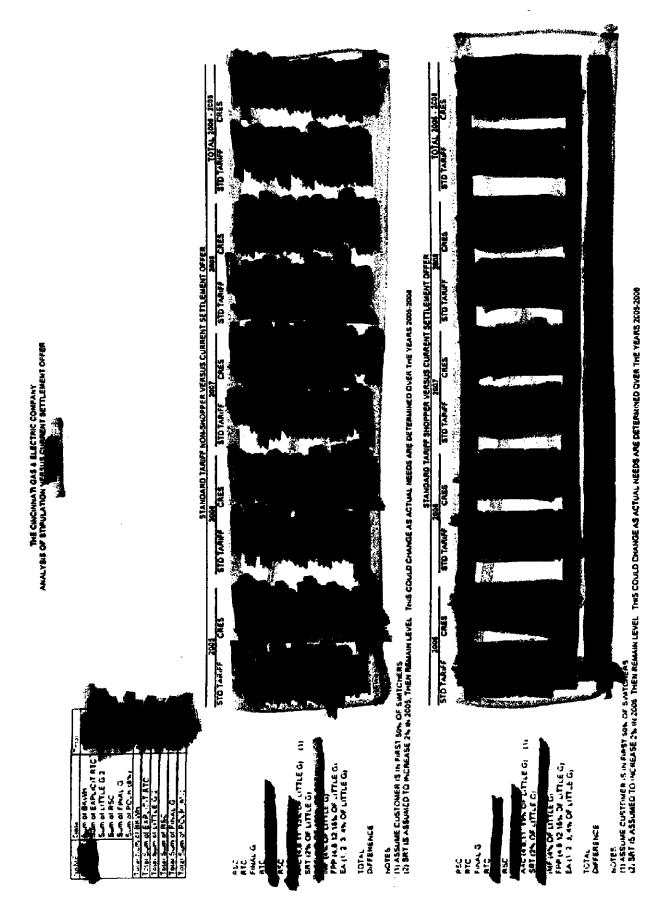
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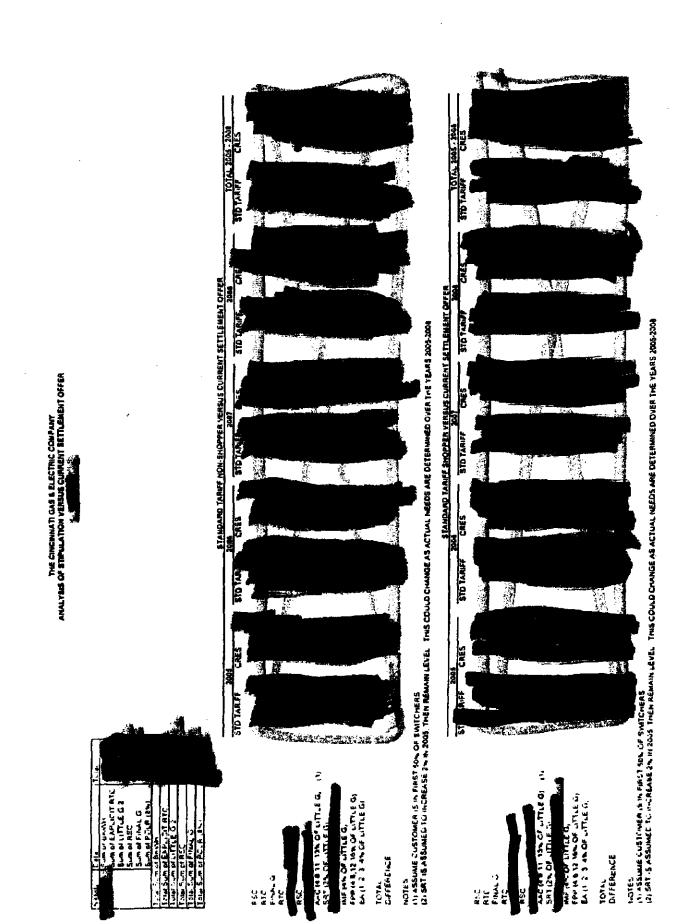


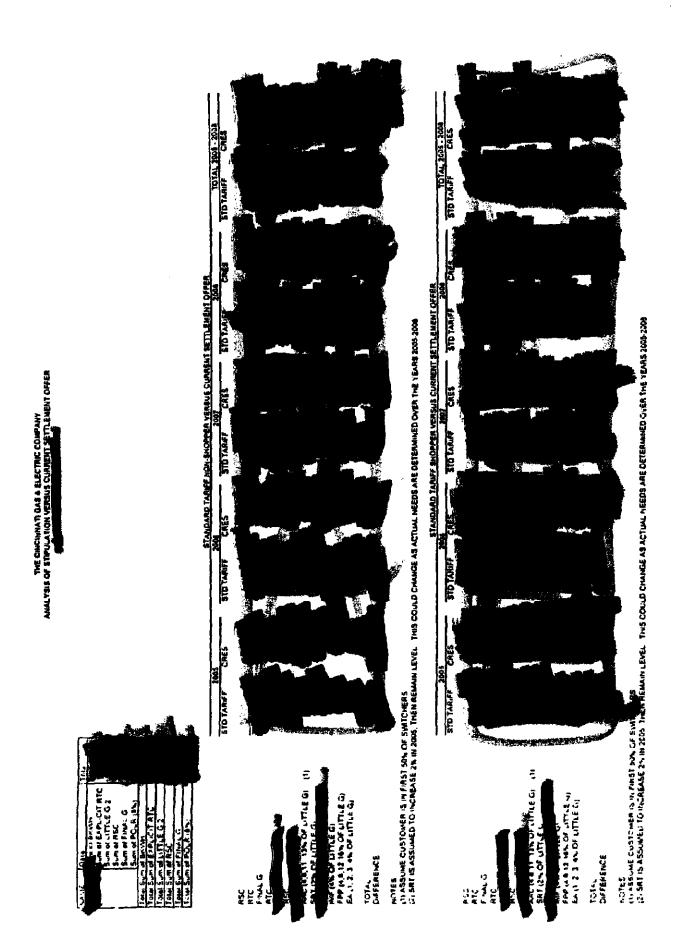
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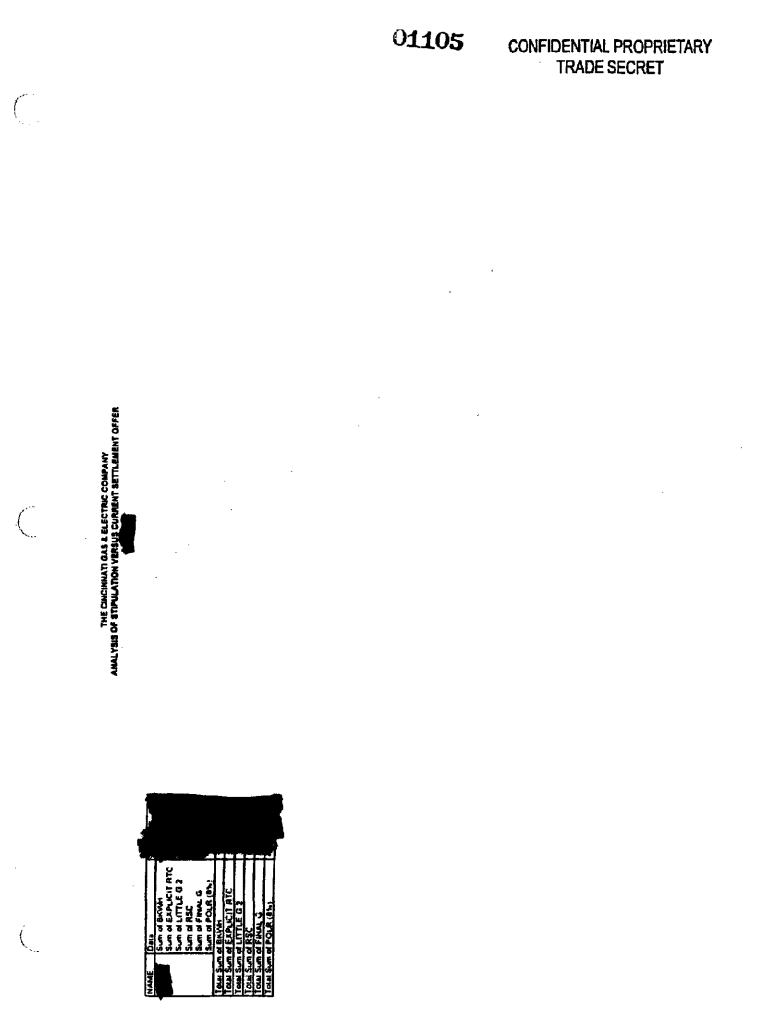


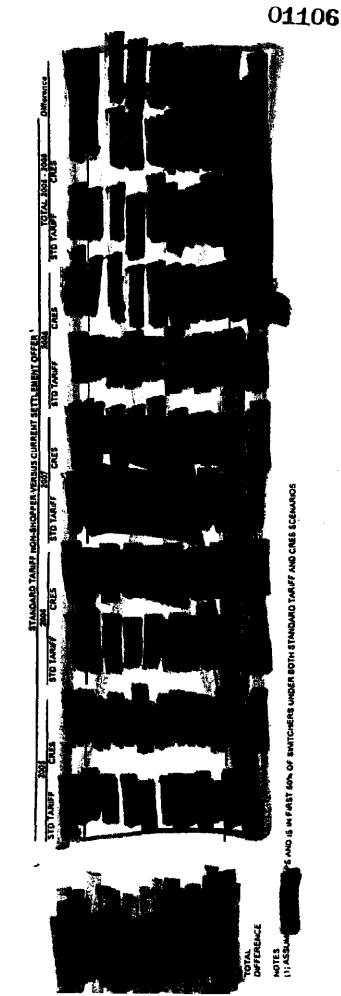




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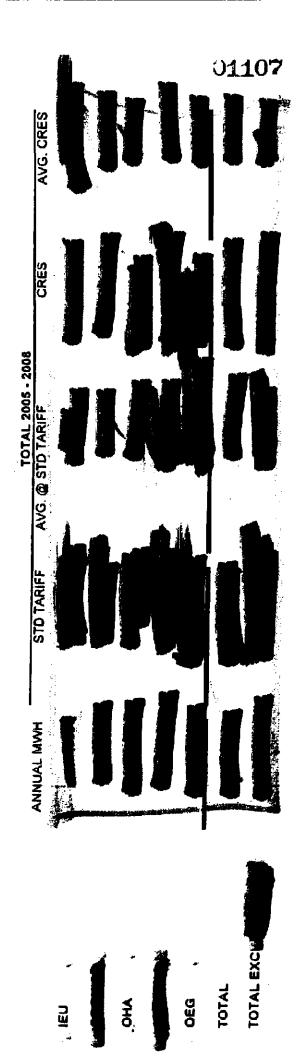


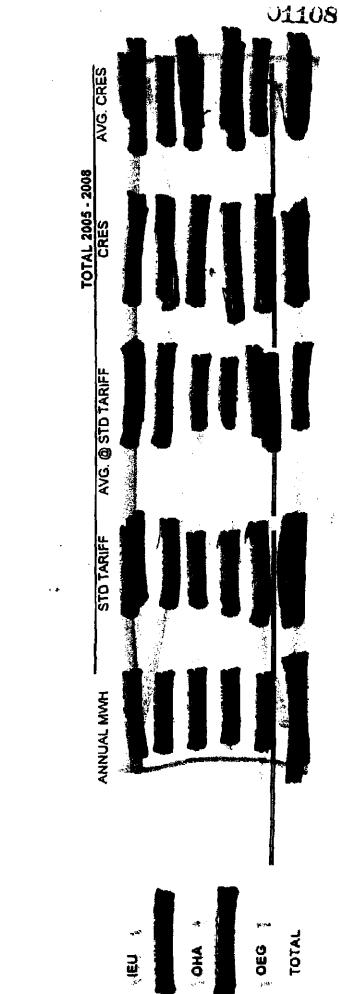
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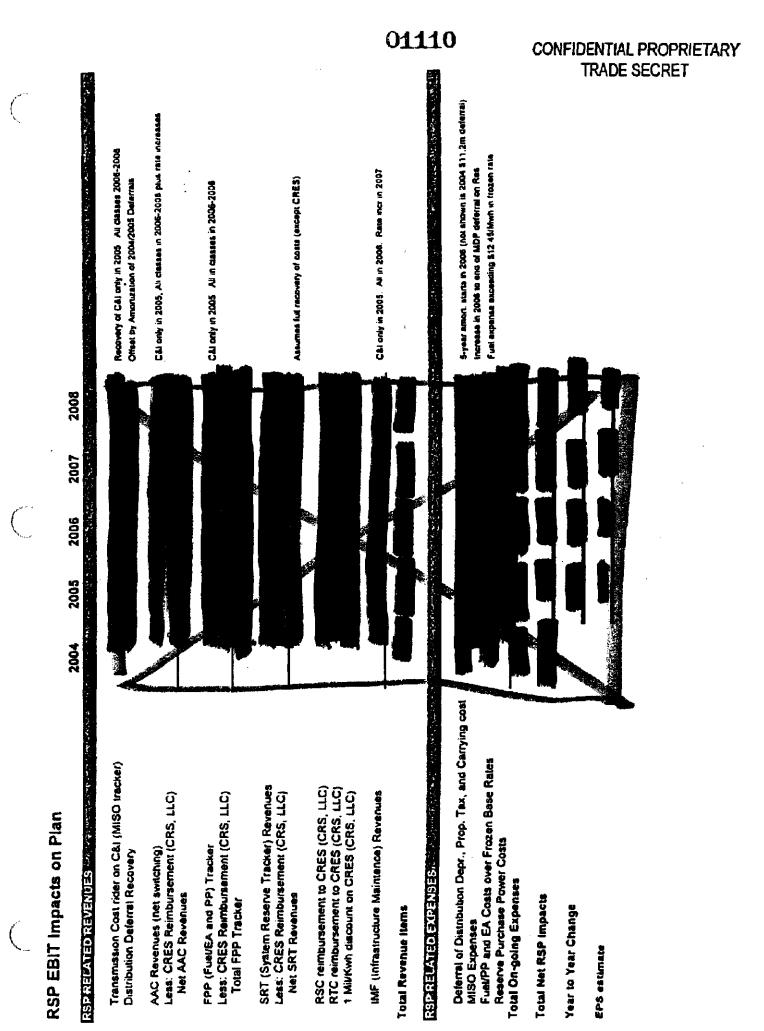
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ient:	Friday, January 28, 2005 2:23 PM 👋
Го:	Ficke, Greg; ^Janson, Julie - cell phone
Subject:	FW: RSP impacts by Year xis
Attachments	: RSP Impacts by Year.xls

Thought I would walk Phil through this.



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RSP Impacts by Year vis

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, · ·	From:	Lemke, Walt
	Jent:	Tuesday, October 26, 2004 10:44 AM
	Г о:	Steffen, Jack; Ficke, Greg; Schrader, Steve
	Cc:	Wathen, Don
	Subject:	RSP update
	Attachments:	Summary of Rate Stabilization Plan Items Update 10-26.xls

Attached is an update RSP comparison. The only change from the comparison done Friday is to remove the provide imbursement on CRES for a sub-provide the worksheet.

This change was made after a conversation with Jack and Greg where it was determined that the presentation of the bnd eimbursements on the CRES contracts was not consistent and that the mimbursement should not be on the analysis. reimbursemen the customers are in essence paying these In both the and charges and getting reimbursed Since the comparison worksheet does not show the it would be incorrect to show the credit. The avas presented this way presentation consistent the nd this update makes the resentation.

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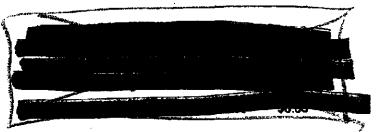
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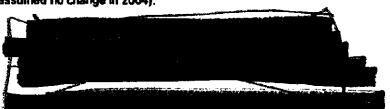


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Item 2: Extend the Residential RTC collection through 2009 and 2010

Collection of RTC revenues from Residential customers is extended from the end of 2008 to the end of 2010. This allows for a higher return and thus lower RTC amontization over the period 2005-2010 (assumed no change in 2004).

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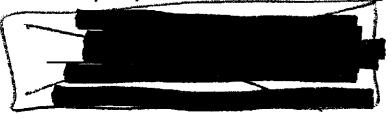
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Item 3: Add POLR charge on non-switch and CRES

Added a POLR revenue charge each year (based on 8% of tittle g for C&I and OPA). Amounts are cumulative -- for example: the 2006 is 12% (6% 2005 + 6% 2006) Residential is 0%, 11%, 17%, and 23% in 2005-2008 respectively.

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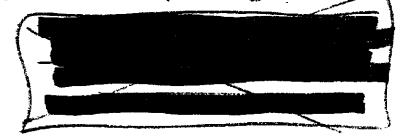




Item 4: Rate Stabilization Charge "Credit" up to 25% on Switch customers (excl CRES) (note: 2005 assumes switch customers are under current shopping credits which would cover RSC) (The current shopping credits cover little g which includes the new RSC [RSC = 15% of g])

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Current 5-year Forecast with original assumptions

2005 2004 2006 2007 2008 Item 5: Implement CG&E Fuel Cost recovery mechanism.

Reflects the incremental fuel costs between the frozen fuel rate and the actual cost of fuel to serve the non-switching customers. Com, Ind, & OPA starts in 2005, Residential starts in 2006.

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Item 6: POLR collected from Switching (not included in POLR charge above see item 3)

Revenue Impact Expense Impact Tax Impact Net income Change

EPS Impact

Item 7: Continue Generation 5% credit on Residential

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item 8: CRES Settlement Items

RTC reimbursement and discount on generation rate (note: POLR charge impact included in item 3)

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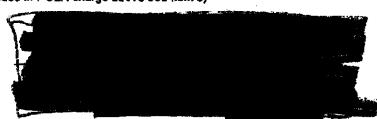
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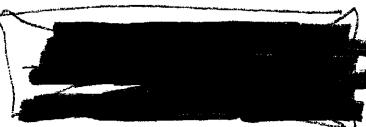
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Current 5-year Forecast with original assumptions

Item 10: System Sustainablitty Charges

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Not applicable in 5-year plan

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Item 11: Reserve Power Tracker

Not applicable in 5-year plan (included in POLR/AAC)

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Item 12: Residential 10% cap on rider increases

Not applicable in 5-year plan

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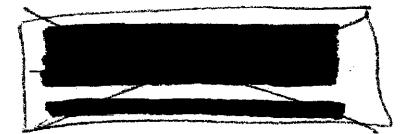
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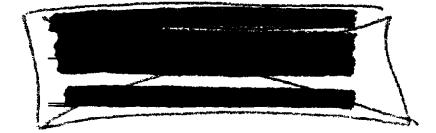
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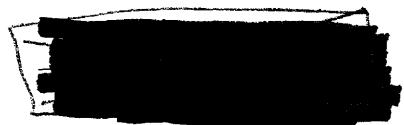
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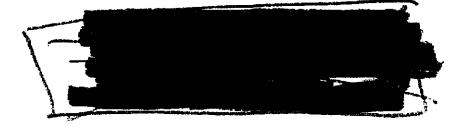
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Comparison: 10-22-04 Proposal less original assumptions

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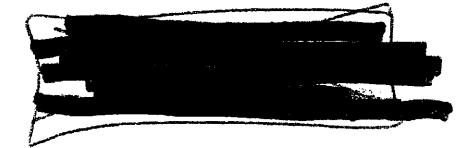
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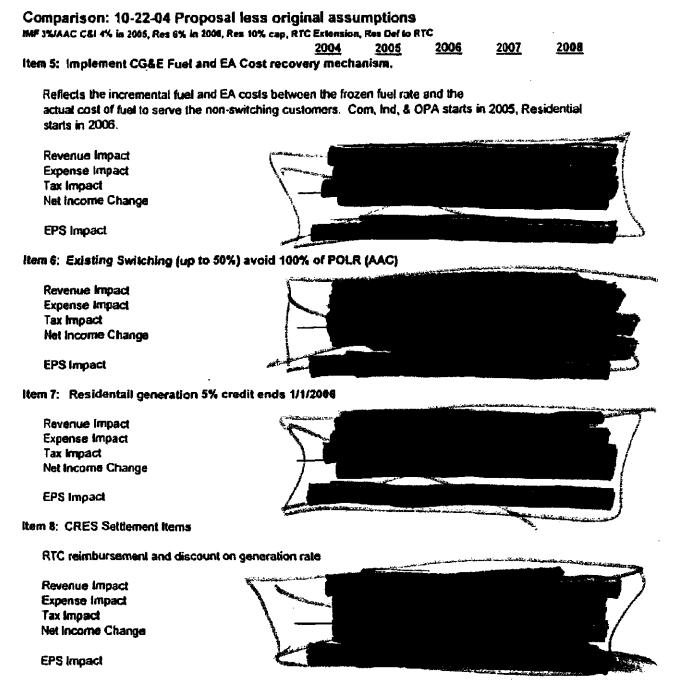
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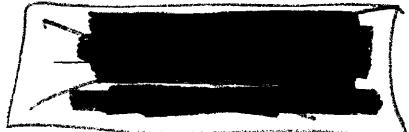


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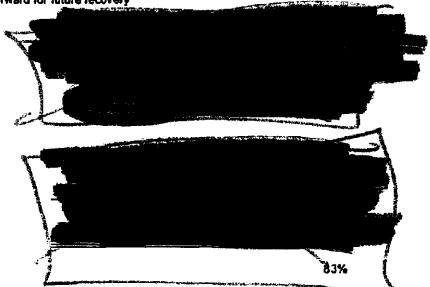
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EPS Impact (diluted shares)

Item 2: Extend the Residential RTC collection through 2009 and 2010

Collection of RTC revenues from Residential customers is extended from the end of 2008 to the end of 2010. This allows for a higher return and thus lower RTC amortization over the period 2005-2010 (assumed no change in 2004).....

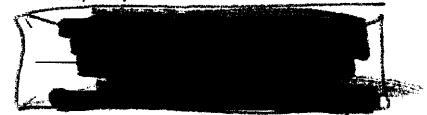
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Item 3: Add POLR charge on non-switch and CRES

Added a POLR revenue charge each year (based on 8% of little g for C&I and OPA). Amounts are cumulative – for example: the 2006 is 12% (6% 2005 + 6% 2006) Residential is 0%, 11%, 17%, and 23% in 2005-2008 respectively.

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Item 4: Rate Stabilization Charge "Credit" up to 25% on Switch customers (excl CRES) (note: 2005 assumes switch customers are under current shopping credits which would cover RSC) (The current shopping credits cover little g which includes the new RSC [RSC = 15% of g])

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Current 5-year Forecast with original assumptions

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Item 6: POLR collected from Switching (not included in POLR charge above see item 3)

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Item 7: Continue Generation 5% credit on Residential

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RTC reimbursement and discount on generation rate (note: POLR charge impact included in item 3)

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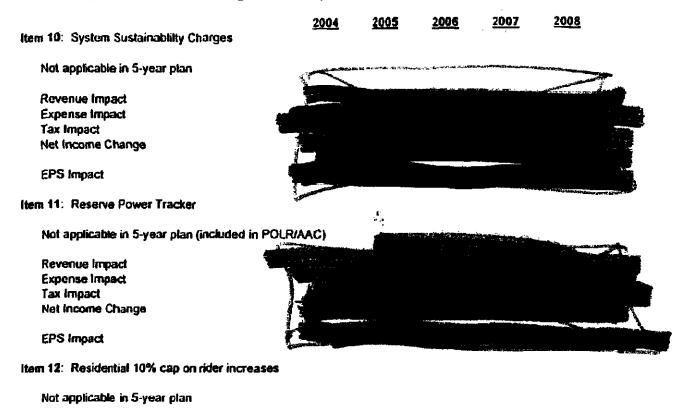
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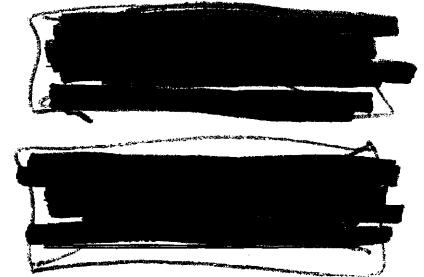
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2004	2005	2006	2007	2008

Item 1: Deferral of T&D expenses in 2004 and 2005 with Recovery in 2006-2010

\$23 million annual of C&I T&D expenses are deferred to a regulatory asset starting mid 2004 through the end of 2005.

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Item 2: Residential RTC collection ends 12/31/2008

Collection of RTC revenues from Residential customers is NOT extended through 2010 See SSC charge (Item 10)

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Item J: Add (AAC) charge default customers

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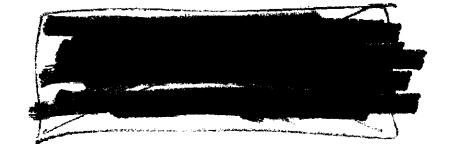
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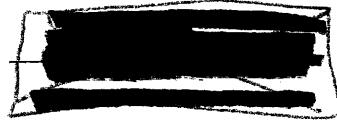
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item 10: IMF Charge

Based on 4% of "little g" rate. C&I starts 2005, Res starts 2006

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Item 11: Reserve Power Tracker

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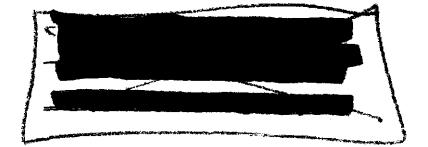
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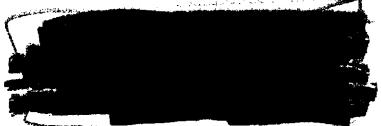




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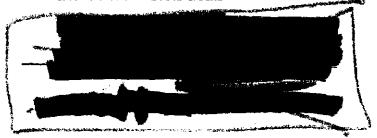
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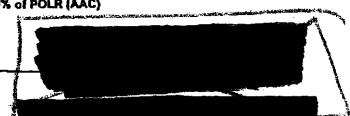
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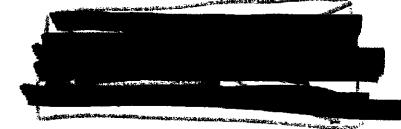
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1	housekeeping task here. I'm going to mark as Exhibit
2	l the notice of deposition. You don't need to look
3	at this, but I'll just make this Exhibit 1.
4	What we'll be doing here today is we'll
5	just put the exhibits aside and after you get done
6	looking at them when I ask my questions, we'll put
7	them aside and that will be the court reporter's
8	copies. All right?
9	(EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
10	MR. SMALL: Let's go off the record.
11	(Discussion held off the record.)
12	Q. Mr. Ziolkowski, I'm going to ask several
13	questions concerning what's been oh, I'm sorry.
14	We haven't marked it. This will be Exhibit 2.
15	(EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
16	Q. Yes, that Exhibit 2 is Bates stamped 644
17	through 649. I'm going to ask you several questions
18	related to this group of e-mails. Would you please
19	refer to page 648 and 649 of this exhibit? This is
20	a first e-mail is from Paul Smith who we've just
21	discussed a little bit, August 1 st , 2006. At the
22	time of this e-mail what was your relationship to
23	Mr. Smith and Mr. Storck? Is this a time when you
24	reported to Mr. Storck?

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1	A. Yes, I reported to Mr. Storck.
2	Q. And what was Mr. Smith doing?
3	A. Could you clarify that question?
4	Q. Well, we went over I just wanted to
5	make sure, you just responded to what Mr. Smith does
6	today, but I wanted to make sure or confirm what he
7	did at the time of this e-mail which was not very
8	long ago.
9	A. Mr. Smith Mr. Smith's duties were
10	essentially the same as they are today. Don Storck
11	reported to Mr. Smith.
12	Q. When did Mr. Bailey become your
13	supervisor this last time?
14	A. It was about November 2006.
15	Q. Now, it's a fairly short e-mail, this is
16	Bates stamped 648, and there's a reference in the
17	at the beginning of the first sentence that talks
18	about C&I "C&I" is for commercial and industrial;
19	is that correct?
20	A. Yes.
21	Q. And it discusses a or there's
22	something about a C&I rate increase in 2009 and 2010.
23	Can you tell me, do you understand what that means?
24	A. Yes.

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17 What does that mean? What is the 1 Q. 2 increase that this is referring to? Mr. Smith, I believe, is referring to the 3 Α. 4 filing that Duke Energy - Ohio made to extend its 5 market based standard service offer. That's the case O6-986 that I referred 6 Ο. 7 Are you familiar with those case numbers? to. 8 Α. That case number sounds familiar. 9 It's not terribly important, but it's the Q. 10 continuation of the rate stabilization plan; is that 11 the gist of it? MR. COLBERT: I'm going to object. 12 That's not a correct characterization of its title. 13 14 It's an amendment as opposed to continuation. 15 MR. SMALL: Whatever. 16 MR. COLBERT: You can answer. Q. It's in that case. 17 18 Yes. Α. 19 And what is the increase that's referred Q. 20 to here? Is it some component of rates? 21 Α. Well, the increase that's referred to 22 here are increases that are specifically defined in 23 that particular filing in that particular case 24 number.

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18 You have me at a little bit of a loss. 1 Ο. 2 Do you know what components there are or what they're 3 called, the increases? 4 I'm somewhat familiar with that filing Α. 5 that we made, yes. 6 Q. And what -- are there components that are 7 increasing in 2010 for C&I customers? 8 Α. Yes. 9 Q. And what are they? 10 Α. I recall the rate stabilization charge 11 would go up somewhat, and the IMF would go up 12 somewhat. All right. Right after that there's a 13 Ο. 14 reference to calculating the percent of the increase that would be rebated to CRES customers. Do you see 15 16 that? 17 Α. Yes. 18 Do you understand Mr. Smith's reference Q. 19 in that portion of his sentence? 20 Α. Yes. 21 And what is that? 0. 22 My understanding is that Mr. Smith was Α. 23 asking for the changes in the option payments that 24 the company makes and how those would be impacted in

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19 1 2009 and 2010. 2 Now, in my deposition of Mr. Gomez, Jon Ο. 3 Gomez, yesterday -- are you familiar with Mr. Gomez? 4 Α. No. 5 Ο. Oh. 6 Α. Just his name. I don't know him 7 personally. Okay. You've had some communication with 8 Q. 9 him, though. 10 Α. Via e-mails. Right. And he mentioned yesterday a CRES 11 Q. 12 line item that he deals with in his revenue model. Is that this -- do you know whether that's the same 13 reference to CRES as in this e-mail? 14 15 A. I don't know. 16 Have you communicated with Mr. Gomez Q. about his revenue model? 17 I recall having communicated via e-mail 18 Α. 19 with Mr. Gomez, but I don't recall exactly what any information was related to. 20 21 All right. Going down a little bit in Ο. 22 this e-mail, do you understand the reference to 23 "between 15 and 30 percent"? 24 Α. No.

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20 1 Q. You don't understand that part of the 2 e-mail? 3 Α. No, I don't. 4 Q. All right. On the next page Bates 5 stamped 649 Mr. Storck, who was copied on the earlier 6 e-mail August 1st, appears to respond to that 7 e-mail with a short e-mail of his own to you saying "Let's discuss." Do you see that? 8 9 Α. Yes. 10 Q. And did you receive this e-mail from Mr. Storck? 11 12 Α. Yes, I did. 13 Did you discuss the matter with Q. 14 Mr. Storck? 15 Α. Yes. And what was discussed? 16 Ο. 17 I recall that Mr. Storck, who reported to Α. Mr. Smith, wanted to make sure I understood what 18 19 Mr. Smith was looking for and wanted to make sure 20 that I would accomplish his task for Mr. Smith. 21 Q. Did you complete a project for Mr. Smith as a result of that discussion? 22 23 I believe so. Α. 24 And what did you do? Q. .

21 Α. 1 I believe I prepared a spreadsheet, but I don't recall any of the details of this particular 2 3 spreadsheet. 0. 4 Okay. 5 MR. SMALL: Can I have that last answer read back to me? 6 7 (Answer read.) Without going into the details which you 8 Q. 9 don't remember, do you remember the general topic of this spreadsheet that you prepared? 10 11 Α. I think so. 12 ο. And what was it -- did it relate to what Mr. Smith referred to as the CRES customers? 13 14 Yes, it did. A. 15 0. And what are those customers? 16 The CRES customers are those customers Α. that receive option payments from Cinergy Retail 17 Services or Duke Energy Retail Services. 18 19 Ο. And that's the universe of the customers 20 that are referred to in this -- or that you prepared 21 the spreadsheet for for the CRES customers that 22 are -- CRES customers, they're customers that receive 2.3 payments from CRS which is now called DERS, Duke 24 Energy Retail Sales?

22 1 Α. Yes. 2 Okay. That's the entities. What was the 0. 3 general nature of the spreadsheet? I'm having a hard time recalling what 4 Α. 5 that spreadsheet looked like, so I'm not sure. 6 Q. Just on a general topic, did it have 7 something to do with the C&I rate increase in 8 2009 - 2010?9 It would have, because my goal would be Α. 10 to answer the question for Mr. Smith. 11 Okay. On the bottom of the same exhibit, 0. 12 but -- on the bottom of 646. Bates stamp at the 13 bottom of it says "646." Do you have that? 14 Α. Yes. Okay. On the bottom of that there's an 15 Ο. 16 e-mail from Don Wathen and it's to you. And it 17 states that "You and Tim are the only ones I'm aware 18 of who know this stuff." Do you see that? 19 Α. Yes. 20 Q. Now, the reference to Tim, that's Timothy Duff: is that correct? 21 22 Α. Yes. 23 And the reference to "stuff" is a little 0. 24 bit vague, but is that the CRES payments that are

23 1 mentioned in the e-mail on Bates stamp 647? 2 Α. Yes. Mr. Wathen's e-mail was responding to or 3 ο. resulted from Mr. Gomez's inquiry; is that correct? 4 Yes. 5 Α. Okay. Now, is this the nature of the --6 Ο. 7 did you exchange e-mail with Mr. Gomez as a result of this inquiry? 8 9 Α. Yes, I did. 10 And have you ever had any communications Q. with Mr. Gomez on any other subjects other than the 11 CRES payments? 12 I don't recall. 13 Α. 14 ο. Okay. 15 MR. SMALL: Let's go off the -- stay on the record. 16 I'm being careful about this word "CRES" 17 Ο. 18 and I'm trying to be clear about this, and the reason 19 I'm being clear about this, I'll just sort of warn you, is that CRES and CRS, for Cinergy Retail Sales, 20 21 are very close to one another when you say them, so 22 I'm going to be trying to be clear, and if you could 23 do the same, I would appreciate it. 24 All right. If you would just keep that

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24 Party 2 it says "Marathon"; do you see that?	23	below that, it says "Option Agreement," and under
	24	Party 2 it says "Marathon"; do you see that?

25 1 Α. Yes. 2 And down the chart it has a similar Q. 3 structure where there are option agreements under the 4 title Document and then a party's name next to it under "Party 2." Do you see that? 5 6 Yes. Α. 7 Now, you refer to CRES customers as those Q. that receive option payments; is that correct? 8 9 A. Yes. 10 When you refer to the customers that Q. 11 receive option payments, are you referring to the 12 parties listed under the column Party 2 that are 13 listed under Document as having option agreements? Do these look like the customers that you are 14 referring to? 15 16 Α. Yes. 17 Does this look like a complete list of Q. 18 the parties that have option agreements and receive 19 option payments? 20 It looks complete. Α. 21 At the bottom you'll see three lines that Q. as the ---22 are devoted to is listed 23 Is under Party 2. one of the entities that 24 you've been referring to as a CRES customer? You'll

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26 1 notice it's not listed as having an option agreement. 2 Α. No. is not one of the CRES customers 3 Q. 4 that you've been referring to? 5 No. Α. Okay. There's another agreement that 6 Q. 7 we've seen in this case dealing with he of the CRES 8 Is 9 customers that you've been referring to? 10 Α. Yes, it is. Okay. So all the customers listed here 11 Q. 12 as having an option agreement, not but 13 is included as a CRES customer in your terminology. 14 Α. Yes. 15 I believe you can set that aside. Q. 16 I'm going to go back to Exhibit 2. I see 17 you still have it in front of you. That's it, yes. 18 And I'm going to be asking a series of questions 19 concerning an e-mail that starts at the bottom of 20 page Bates stamped 645 and extends over to 646. That 21 e-mail was from you to Don Wathen and Jon Gomez May 11th, 2006, with a copy to Don Storck. Topic is 22 23 CRES Payments. Is this an e-mail that you sent at 24 least partially in response to Mr. Gomez's inquiries?

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27 1 Α. Yes. 2 And the inquiries we just looked at a Q. 3 moment ago. 4 Α. Yes. There are many little features in it so 5 0. I'd like to go over it a little bit at a time. б 7 There's a reference to Customer Choice, I'm at the 8 very bottom of 645, "Customer Choice in January 2001" is what it says. You are familiar with electric 9 10 restructuring legislation that was passed in the 11 state of Ohio? Α. Yes. 12 Are you familiar with the terminology 13 0. 14 "SB3"? Yes. 15 Α. 16 And that was a designation for the Q. 17 electric restructuring legislation; is that correct? Α. 18 Yes. And you are familiar that that electric 19 Ο. 20 restructuring legislation permitted customers to 21 choose their supplier of generation service beginning January 1st, 2001? 22 23 Α. Yes. 24 Now, again at the bottom of 645 there's a Q.

28 1 reference to market development period. Do you see 2 that? 3 Α. Yes. 4 Q. What is your understanding of the term "market development period"? 5 6 Α. Market development period was a period 7 covering -- starting in January 2001 and ending no later than December 31st, 2005, during which CG&E's 8 electric rates were frozen and customers could switch 9 to CRESs, and those that switched would receive a 10 11 shopping credit. That's one of those instances where it 12 Ο. 13 would be best if you used the CRES because we're 14 going to get into -- it may get a little messy. Your reference was to competitive retail electric 15 suppliers, CRES? 16 17 Α. Yes. 18 Q. Thank you. 19 Are you familiar with a CG&E filing 20 around January 3rd, 2003, concerning generation 21 rates to be charged after the market development 22 period? 23 Α. Yes. 24 And that was the -- that original filing Q.

29 1 is what you referred to earlier as the competitive 2 market option; is that correct? Yes. 3 Α. And what happened to that filing, that Q. 4 first initial filing in 2003? 5 As far as I'm aware, no action was taken 6 Α. 7 during 2003 on that filing. All right. And I believe that's the 8 ο. topic of your first full paragraph on page 646 which 9 10 starts out "By 2003." What is your understanding of the treatment of the company's proposal in 2003? 11 Could you restate that? 12 Α. 13 Q. Well, what's your understanding of the PUCO's treatment of the company's filing, and in 14 particular you make several statements in this first 15 full paragraph on 646 about the PUCO's treatment of 16 the competitive electric retail market in Ohio? 17 18 Α. My understanding was that the PUCO took no action on our filing, and I believe that the PUCO 19 did not like that particular filing. 20 21 And are you familiar with them actually Q. asking the company to file some alternative to the 22 23 competitive market option? Yes. 24 Α.

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1	Q. And that took place in early-2004,
2	correct?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. And that's the nature of the comment that
5	you make at the top of the second full paragraph that
б	starts "CG&E filed its RSP" and so forth.
7	A. Yes.
8	Q. In that same paragraph there's a
9	reference to large customers and the term that you
10	use is "The intervenors represented a roadblock"; do
11	you see that?
12	A. Yes.
13	Q. And in making that statement and I'm
14	sorry, we're not quite done with Exhibit 3, would you
15	refer to Exhibit 3? Thank you the large
16	customers that you're referring to in that paragraph,
17	is that a reference to the customers that we see on
18	Exhibit 3?
19	A. Yes.
20	Q. And that's including, for instance, I'm
21	referring to all the customers here, not just the
22	ones with option payments, just to be clear,
23	including and the second se
24	A. Yes.

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1	Q. Okay. And that's what you're referring
2	to in the second full paragraph on page 646?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. All right. I believe you can put Exhibit
5	3 aside, we're going to stay with Exhibit 2. I'm
6	going to mark a few more exhibits, three exhibits.
7	We'll do this one at a time.
8	MR, SMALL: Let's go off the record for a
9	second.
10	(EXHIBITS MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
11	(Recess taken.)
12	MR. SMALL: Let's go back on the record.
13	Q. All right. We're going to be going back
14	and forth between your e-mail and the Exhibits 4, 5,
15	and 6. In your e-mail you mention, and this is the
16	third full I'm still over on your e-mail, the
17	third full paragraph of your e-mail, there's a
18	reference to "generation service for the intervenors
19	at prespecified, contractual rates." Do you see
20	that?
21	A. Yes.
22	Q. And I've got Exhibit 4 which shows an
23	agreement between Cinergy Corp. and Industrial Energy
24	Users - Ohio, that's in the first sentence at the

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1	very top.
2	A. Yes.
3	Q. Is this one of the agreements that you're
4	referring to in your e-mail concerning negotiation of
5	generation service for the intervenors?
6	A. Possibly. When I wrote this memo, I
7	didn't have any contracts or anything in front of me.
8	Q. Understood. But you're referring to some
9	agreements.
10	A. Yes. I yes.
11	Q. Is Exhibit 4 in the nature of the
12	agreement that you're referring to?
13	A. Yes.
14	Q. And Exhibit 5 is another agreement dated
15	at approximately the same period of time. I'm wrong
16	about that. For the company's system here, Exhibit 4
17	is Bates stamped 334 through 340.
18	Let's try to do this with the exhibits.
19	I've made a small error here in mixing dates.
20	Exhibit 4 is dated around November 2004. The
21	agreement in Exhibit 5 is dated around May 2004. Did
22	you understand that there were difference sets of
23	agreements for service to these industrial customers?
24	Some, with earlier dates and some with later dates?

33 1 I understood that particularly because Α. 2 the November agreements said that they superseded May 3 agreements --4 Q. Right. 5 -- which meant that May agreements must Α. have existed. 6 7 Q. Okay. I know you said you didn't have the contracts in front of you when you wrote this, 8 9 but had you ever seen these agreements? I was somewhat familiar with the November 10 Α. 11 agreements. And the November agreements would be like 12 0. the one that's shown on Exhibit 4. 13 14 Α. Yes. 15 And then Exhibit 5 I'm showing a May 0. 16 agreement. Is your understanding there would also be 17 a November agreement with the same customers? 18 Well, Exhibit 4 is the November agreement Α. 19 that's associated with Exhibit 5. 20 Ah, you're correct. You're correct. Q. 21 They both have to do with IEU, so Exhibit 4 is the November agreement, and I think you've said it 22 superseded the May 2004 agreement for IEU; is that 23 24 correct?

01152 34 1 Α. Yes. 2 Q. Your understanding of the relationship; 3 okay. 4 Exhibit 6 dated close to November, it's October 28th, 2004, and Exhibit 6 is Bates stamped 5 353 through 357. And that's with, well, it refers to 6 7 the hospitals; do you see that? 8 Α. Yes. 9 0. And is that another one of these 10 late-2004 agreements that you were referring to in your e-mail? The negotiation of generation service 11 to the intervenors at prespecified, contract rates. 12 13 I believe I was referring to this Α. 14 agreement also. 15 Ο. You can set those aside. 16 A little bit further down in your e-mail, 17 the same paragraph, third full paragraph, and this is 18 sort of in the middle of that paragraph, it says, 19 "The CRES settlement was too risky." Do you see that? 20 Yes. 21 Α. By "CRES settlement" you are referring to 22 Q. the entering into agreements of the nature of 23 24 Exhibits 4, 5, and 6; is that correct?

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1	A. Yes.
2	Q. What do you understand about the
3	riskiness of the settlements? What did you mean by
4	the settlement was too risky?
5	A. I recall when I wrote this memo my
6	understanding was that the contracts were risky to
7	serve large industrials at a fixed price given the
8	volatile market conditions.
9	Q. Would you turn back to Exhibit 4 I
10	apologize for asking you to turn that back in 334,
11	starts with Bates stamp 334? And that's an agreement
12	involving Cinergy Corp. and IEU and mentions Marathon
13	Ashland and General Motors. Is there something in
14	this agreement which is a fixed price and nature that
15	caused the risk that you referred to in your recent
16	answer?
17	A. I don't know.
18	Q, You haven't analyzed the agreement that I
19	put in front of you, Exhibit 4?
20	A. No.
21	Q. Did you ever do any analysis on this?
22	A. No.
23	Q. Did you, and specifically with respect to
24	the risk that you referred to in your e-mail, did you

36 discuss that feature of the CRES settlements with 1 2 anyone else in the company? 3 Α. No. I just at the time I wrote this quick memo I recalled someone mentioning, and I don't 4 even remember who, saying that someone had decided 5 that the contracts were too risky. 6 7 Q. Was that somebody in the Rate department? Somebody in close proximity to your work? 8 Possibly, yes. 9 Α. 10 Do you recall any analysis that was Q. performed by your group or any others regarding the 11 likely outcomes of moving forward with the CRES 12 13 settlements? Some kind of risk analysis or anything of that nature? 14 No, I don't. 15 A. All right. A little further down in your 16 Q. memo, same paragraph, you stated that -- it states 17 18 that "Cinergy entered into negotiations with each of the parties." Do you see that? 19 20 Α. Yes. 21 Ο. What's your understanding about an 22 additional round of negotiations? 23 Α. Well, I recall that the November 24 contracts contain a clause that required Cinergy

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37 1 Retail Services to renegotiate with these CRS 2 customers, this group of customers, if --Your term is "CRS" here? CRS customers? 3 Ο. 4 Α. Yes, the CRS. 5 0. Meaning customers that had an option 6 agreement with Cinergy Retail Sales? 7 MR. COLBERT: I'm going to object. 8 MR. SMALL: I'm not trying to be 9 difficult, I'm just trying to distinguish CRS from 10 CRES here. MR. COLBERT: No; I understand. 11 Ι 12 appreciate that. But I think that you're confusing 13 the time line because at least at this point there 14 are no option agreements. You haven't reached that 15 in the time line. 16 MR. SMALL: Okay. MR. COLBERT: That's all. I'm trying to 17 18 prevent that confusion. 19 MR. SMALL: Why don't we start over again 20 and, I didn't mean to interrupt your answer, just 21 that terminology of CRES and CRS is sometimes 22 difficult to deal with, so why don't we have the 23 question read back and you can respond to it again. 24 (Record read.)

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1	A. My understanding is that the November
2	2004 contracts contained a clause that required
3	Cinergy Retail Sales to renegotiate if there was some
4	kind of adverse ruling from the PUCO.
5	Q. And was there an adverse ruling by the
6	PUCO?
7	A. I recall that in November, late-November
8	of 2004 there was a ruling from the PUCO, but I am
9	not in the position to was not in the position to
10	decide whether it was adverse or not.
11	Q. It is the order under which customers are
12	being charged today; isn't it? I'm sorry, let me go
13	back.
14	It is the order under which customers
15	were being charged at least until the remand from the
16	Supreme Court.
17	A. Yes. I'm referring to the November
18	22 nd entry on rehearing, I think that's what it
19	was.
20	Q. And from there to at least the time
21	when November 2006 when it remand, that was the
22	order that was in effect for charging standard
23	service offer rates to customers.
24	A. That's correct. Although I recall in
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39 1 2005 there were some -- there was another 2 clarification order about April of 2005 regarding 3 return pricing and things like that. I'm going to mark Exhibit 7. 4 Q. Okay. It's Bates stamped 1 through 14. 5 6 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 7 ο. Mr. Ziolkowski, the Exhibit 7 is labeled 8 Option Agreement By and Between Cinergy Retail Sales, 9 LLC and Do you have that in front of you? 10 11 Α. Yes. 12 MR. COLBERT: Excuse me, Mr. Small, might 13 this be a good time to go to a sealed transcript? 14 MR. SMALL: Sure. It's your designation. 15 MR. COLBERT: While he's talking about 16 the specific option agreements, the rest of this 17 should be under seal. 18 (CONFIDENTIAL PORTION EXCERPTED.) 19 20 21 22 23 24

* Have you ever seen this agreement which Q. we've labeled as Exhibit 7? Α. No. Is it your understanding, and here I'm Q. referring back to your e-mail where it says "entered into negotiations with each of the parties and agreed to make monthly or quarterly payments," is it your

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40 1 understanding that the next round of negotiations 2 resulted in agreements with large customers? 3 Α. It was my understanding that agreements resulted, but I did not know the nature -- the exact 4 5 nature of those agreements. All right. You refer to not knowing the 6 Q. 7 exact nature of the agreements, but earlier you referred to option agreements and option payments; do 8 you remember that? 9 Α. 10 Yes. So you did know the general nature of the 11 Q. 12 agreements. The monthly payments that I calculated, 13 Α. and quarterly payments, were generally called "option 14 payments" by various people around the company; 15 however, when I wrote that at the time I wrote this 16 memo, I had never seen an actual option contract nor 17 did I know that they existed. 18 19 Q. Do I understand it, then, that you understood that, as you state, Cinergy entered into 20 negotiations with the large customers, and you also 21 understood that payments were being made to large 22 23 customers, but you'd never actually seen the 24 agreements themselves?

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1	A. I had seen the November 2004 agreements,
2	but I had never seen any option agreements, nor did I
3	even know that they existed.
4	Q. But you were aware that there were
5	references, for instance in e-mails and so forth, to
6	option agreements and option payments.
7	A. I had oftentimes seen the term and used
8	the term "option payments."
9	Q. And did you connect them with this next
10	round of negotiations that you mentioned here, that
11	Cinergy entered into negotiations with each of the
12	parties? Did you connect those two things?
13	A. My job my job each month and each
14	quarter in 2006 was to calculate the payments and we
15	sometimes called those "option payments," and I
16	assume that something had gone on during late-2004,
17	but I wasn't a party to those negotiations, so I
18	didn't know what, and but in 2006 when Tim Duff
19	moved to a new job, I took over and started
20	calculating those option payments and we did those
21	every month, so
22	Q. And is it your understanding, I think
23	that's close to what you state in the next paragraph,
24	it says, starting with the word "so," "but they

42 receive payments," referring here to CRES customers, 1 2 "but they receive payments from the company instead 3 of receiving generation service from the Cinergy So your response was about calculating the 4 CRES." amounts of those payments in lieu of generation 5 service to the Cinergy -- from a Cinergy CRES; is 6 7 that correct? Those were the payments that you were 8 calculating. 9 Α. Those are the payments that I'm 10 calculating, yes. MR. COLBERT: Mr. Small, if I might 11 inquire, are you done asking about specific 12 13 agreements? If you are, I have no objection to this part of the questioning and the e-mail becoming 14 15 public. MR. SMALL: Well, I'm not sure I'm done. 16 MR. COLBERT: Okay. Fair enough. 17 Just pause it here for a 18 MR. SMALL: second. Collecting my thoughts. 19 MR. COLBERT: I was just trying to 20 21 minimize the portion under seal, that's all. 22 MR. SMALL: Let's go off the record for 23 just a moment. (Discussion held off the record.) 24

43 1 MR. SMALL: Let's go back on the record. 2 0. If you could pull out Exhibit 7. I 3 believe it's in front of you. Right here. And you said you're not familiar with that document; is that 4 correct? 5 6 Α. That is correct. 7 Q. Okay. Would you turn to Exhibit B at the 8 very end of the document, actually there are two 9 Exhibit Bs Bates stamped 12 and Bates stamped 13. Do 10 you see that? 11 Α. Yes. 12 Do these rates look familiar to you from Ο. 13 the tariffs of Cincinnati Gas & Electric or what it's 14 now called, Duke Energy - Ohio? 15 Α. I don't have the tariffs memorized, but 16 these look like they're structured in a similar 17 manner. 18 MR. COLBERT: Mr. Small, would it be 19 helpful if we printed out a copy of the DP rate? 20 MR. SMALL: Let's go off the record. 21 (Recess taken.) 22 MR. SMALL: Let's go on the record. 23 You mentioned that you have been doing Q. 24 calculations having to do with payments to what is

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1	referred to in your e-mail as CRES customers. When
2	did you take over that I understand from previous
3	depositions that you didn't always have that task,
4	when did you take over that task?
5	A. It was about April of 2006.
6	Q. And who did you take that task over from?
7	A. Tim Duff.
8	Q. And why did you take that task on from
9	Mr. Duff, that Mr. Duff had performed?
10	A. Mr. Duff took a new job in Charlotte.
11	Q. Now, from my deposition yesterday I
12	didn't understand that Mr. Duff and you are in
13	similar type of positions. Can you tell me why the
14	function was given to essentially a person in the
15	Rate department?
16	A. I think that was because these option
17	payments are calculated based on various MBSSO
18	components, and I'm very familiar with our retail
19	rates including all of the MBSSO components of those
20	rates. And I'm very good with spreadsheets, too.
21	Q. Had you worked with Mr. Duff during the
22	03-93 case, the case that began in January 2003?
23	A. Could you restate that or be more
24	specific?

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1	Q. Well, when was your first contact with
2	what was your first contact with Mr. Duff,
3	professional contact within the Cinergy organization?
4	A. I recall that it was sometime during
5	mid-2004.
6	Q. What was the subject matter of your
7	contact?
8	A. I don't recall specifically, but I
9	believe that it was related to our rate stabilization
10	plan.
11	Q. What was his responsibility regarding the
12	rate stabilization plan?
13	A. I'm not sure.
14	Q. And did you have regular dealings with
15	Mr. Duff? There's of course there's an e-mail
16	that says that you and Mr. Duff understand this
17	stuff, so did you have regular contact with Mr. Duff?
18	A. I think that during the fall or during
19	late-2004 I worked with Mr. Duff to help him put
20	together his spreadsheet model for calculating these
21	monthly payments.
22	Q. And those would have been the
23	spreadsheets, just to be clear here, the spreadsheets
24	to calculate payments related to the companies that

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1	we looked at on Exhibit 3 that had option payments
2	plus is that correct?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. And when you perform your calculations
5	how often do you do your calculations? There's a
6	reference to monthly or quarterly payments. Are you
7	doing calculations monthly and quarterly for these
8	payments?
9	A. Just to be clear, I no longer do these
10	calculations.
11	Q. All right.
12	A. As of September of 2006.
13	Q. Who performs the function now?
14	A. Rick Ehlers.
15	Q. Spell that last name, please.
16	A. E-h-l-e-r-s.
17	Q. We looked at an e-mail yesterday which
18	referred to you and Mr. Ehlers sharing the
19	responsibility. Did you share the responsibility for
20	a time, or maybe there was a hand-off period?
21	A. There was a hand-off period during the
22	fall of 2006. Probably September through November
23	time frame.
24	Q. And during that period you helped
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47 Mr. Ehlers with the computations and that sort of 1 2 thing? Α. Yes. 3 Anything else that you dealt with 4 Q. Mr. Ehlers on? 5 Mr. Ehlers is a member of the Rate 6 Α. 7 department. 8 Q. Okay. So I deal with Mr. Ehlers on various 9 Α. 10 topics, various issues. 11 Do you report to the same person? 0. 12 Α. No. 13 Q. Who does he report to? Mr. Ehlers reports to Mr. Storck. 14 Α. Is there some distinction between --15 ο. 16 there must be. What is the distinction between the 17 group that you work in and the group that Mr. Ehlers 18 works in? 19 Α. Formally my group is -- working for 20 Mr. Bailey is a rate design group, and Mr. Ehlers working under Don Storck is, at least on paper deals 21 22 with revenue requirements, cost of service, but the 23 reality of the organization is that we all chip in 24 and do whatever needs to be done.

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1	Q. Regardless of whether you're under
2	Mr. Bailey or Mr. Storck's
3	A. That's correct.
4	Q supervision.
5	A. Yes.
б	Q. There is a reference I'm going back to
7	your e-mail again, Exhibit 2, Bates stamped 646.
8	There's a reference, third-to-the-last paragraph,
9	paragraph starts "The payments." Do you see that?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. And in the middle of that it refers to
12	"receive refunds of various RSP riders," and then it
13	has, for example, AAC, FPP, IMF, SRT. Do you see
14	that?
15	A. Yes, I do.
16	Q. Would you turn to Exhibit 7? There's an
17	Exhibit A within that that's at Bates stamp 11. Can
18	you tell me whether the reference to the refunds of
19	various RSP riders refer to the information that
20	appears on Exhibit A?
21	A. When I wrote this memo, I was actually
22	referring to the November 2004 contract because I
23	have never seen Exhibit 7 before.
24	Q. Okay. I see. So just up above that it
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1	says "Generally speaking, the contracts with each
2	group," the reference to "contracts" is to the
3	November or higher up in that e-mail you refer to
4	it as generation service for the intervenors at
5	prespecified, contractual rates. Those are the
6	contracts you were referring to.
7	A. Those are referring to the November 2004
8	contracts.
9	Q. Okay. Sticking with that paragraph for a
10	second, there's a reference at the very end of it to
11	"and payments are made from the CBU's (nonregulated
12	generation) budget." What is CBU?
13	A. CBU stands for Commercial Business unit.
14	Q. What is a Commercial Business unit?
15	A. Commercial Business unit handles
16	generation, both well, I'm not an expert on CBU,
17	but they handle generation and off-system sales
18	nonregulated generation aspects.
19	Q. Could you give me an example within the
20	Cinergy-Duke organization?
21	A. Well, Duke Energy Retail Sales, or CRS,
2 2	Cinergy Retail Service, they were part of the CBU.
23	Q. All right. This says "Nonregulated
24	Generation." DERS does not own generation, does it?

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1	I'm struggling here a little bit with the use of the
2	word "generation." It talks about a budget. Are we
3	talking about generation service or are we talking
4	about ownership of generation units?
5	A. When I wrote the word "budget," I was not
6	very precise in my choice of words. What I really
7	meant was that those option payments were being paid
8	by Cinergy Retail Sales.
9	Q. It was being paid by Cinergy Retail Sales
10	and not an entity such as Cincinnati Gas & Electric
11	Company.
12	A. That's correct.
13	Q. Is there a separate budget for for
14	regulated and nonregulated portions at the time of
15	this e-mail Cinergy organization affiliated
16	companies?
17	A. I don't know.
18	Q. I'm really asking what you meant by the
19	word "budget." Or are you just saying it was by one
20	of those entities?
21	A. It was paid by one of those entities
22	although I assume that most organizations and
23	departments within organizations have their own
24	budgets or sub-budgets, and I was just speaking very
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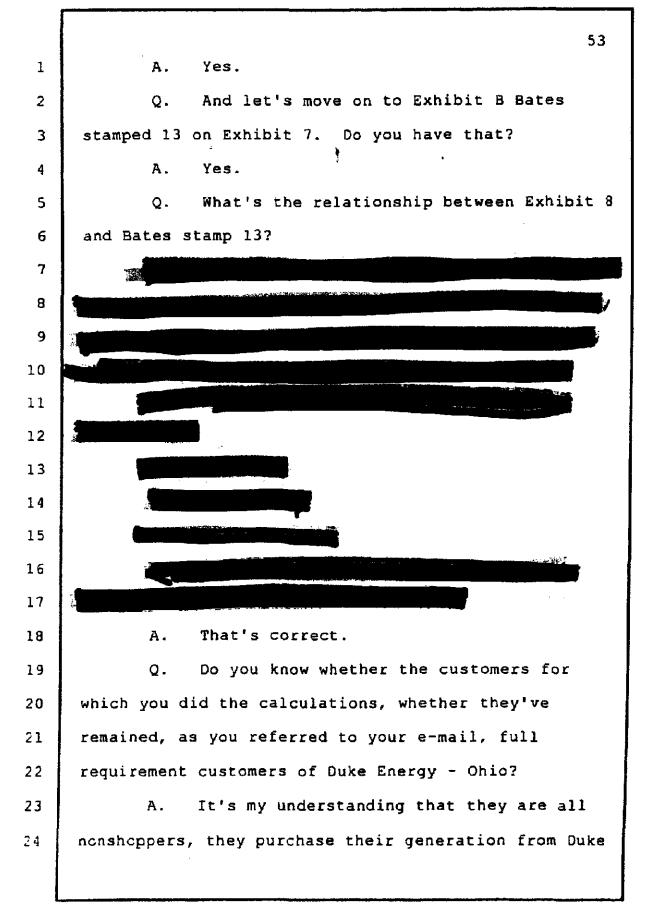
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51 1 generally. 2 Okay. I think that was the problem, I Q. 3 thought maybe it might be a more precise term. 4 I've been provided with a copy of -- yes, 5 we're going to turn back to our question about 6 Exhibit 7 and Bates stamp 12 and 13 and the reference 7 to rate DP and rate TS; do you see that? 8 Α. Yes. 9 I have what appear to be the rates from Q. 10 the rate DP and rate TS in front of me. We'll see 11 if -- well, I'll --12 MR. COLBERT: He has a copy. 13 MR. SMALL: I'm sorry. We'll see whether 14 we mark this as an exhibit. 15 MR. COLBERT: And Ms. Hixon also has a 16 copy. 17 MR. SMALL: Thank you. 18 Is there a relationship between the Q. 19 Exhibit B rate DP and the Duke Energy - Ohio rate DP 20 tariff that you have in front of you? 21 Α. The block structure is the same, and the 22 demand -- generation demand charges are the same as 23 what's in the tariff. The generation energy charges 24 are different.

52 1 Q. Are they proportional? Or you can't tell? 2 3 Α. I'm not sure what you mean. is to a 4 Q. as is to Did you follow that? Those are the energy 5 charges. 6 I don't know. 7 Α. You followed the question, you just don't Q. 8 know the answer. 9 That's correct. Α. 10 MR. SMALL: I'll label that Exhibit 8. 11 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 12 MR. SMALL: Let's go off the record for a 13 14 second. (Discussion held off the record.) 15 MR. SMALL: Let's call this Exhibit 9. 16 17 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 18 Q. We've labeled what appears to be the current rate TS tariff from the Duke Energy - Ohio 19 tariff sheets. Are you familiar with those tariff 20 sheets? 21 22 Α. Yes, I am. And those are the correct rate TS 23 Q. currently in effect? 24

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54 1 Energy - Ohio. 2 MR. SMALL: In answer to your question, 3 Mr. Colbert, I think you'll want to -- we're going to deal with another document we've seen here before so 4 5 we'll bring it in under the protected portion of it. 6 MR. COLBERT: Fair enough. Thank you. 7 Q. I believe you can set the other exhibits aside. I'll have this exhibit marked Exhibit 10. 8 9 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) Mr. Ziolkowski, Exhibit 10 is Bates 10 Q. 11 stamped 513 and 514. Mr. Ziolkowski, have you ever 12 seen this document before? Α. 13 No. Okay. Had you had any contact with CRS 14 Q. 15 or it's now called Duke Energy Retail Sales before --16 well, I'll just ask the question. 17 When was the first contact you had with 18 matters dealing with Cinergy Retail Sales? 19 Α. I recall some meetings in late-2004 and saw Tim Duff and some people from Cinergy Retail 20 Sales regarding the processing of the option 21 22 payments, monthly and quarterly payments that were to 23 be made starting in January of 2005. 24 Q. All right. You referred to, in your

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55 response to CRS, was it personnel or persons; who are you referring to? At the time I think it was Jason Barker. Α. So there was just one person that you had Q. discussions with? I recall someone else coming also Α. representing CRS, but I don't remember who that person was, nor what the person's role was. Q. And how could you tell that they were CRS -- dealing with CRS? I recall that during those meetings the Α. topic was how to calculate and process these monthly and quarterly payments, and actually early on I recall some discussion as to who should actually do these calculations each month.

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16 Q. All right. Who did that task end up 17 with?

A. Tim Duff.

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Q. How did Mr. Duff end up with that task?
A. I think he got the task because he was
capable of doing it and he had the time to do it. He
had the knowledge and the time.

Q. All right. What transpired in these
discussions with Mr. Barker? You determined who

56 would be doing the calculations; that was part of it? 1 2 That was part of it. There's also Α. discussion about which person in CRS would sign the 3 4 payment requests. What was determined on that matter? 5 Ó. I don't recall. 6 Α. 7 What other topics were discussed? ο. 8 I recall at a meeting or two there was a Α. 9 discussion as to whether -- I recall discussions about doing some accounting entries related to the 10 11 size and timing of these payments in accordance with normal accounting standards, but I'm not an 12 accountant, so that issue really wasn't all that 13 pertinent to me. 14 15 0. There was a discussion of GAAP standards? The discussion that I recall dealt with, 16 Α. 17 and I'm trying to think about this, more to do with 18 accruals. These were some quarterly payments that were made after the end of the quarter and it might 19 20 have had to do with that. 21 0. All right. What else was discussed? 22 I really don't recall any other topics. Α. 23 Have you had any other dealings with CRS Q. 24 or DERS, CRS - Cinergy Retail Sales, DERS - Duke

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1	Energy Retail Sales, matters other than this
2	discussion and the calculations and spreadsheets that
3	you dealt with?
4	A. The only topics that I recall discussing
5	with anybody from DERS or CRS were just related to
6	these monthly option payments.
7	Q. Have you met Charles Whitlock?
8	A. Yes, I have.
9	Q. In what business role did you meet
10	Mr. Whitlock?
11	A. During mid-2006 I took a stack of monthly
12	and quarterly option payments request vouchers to him
13	for his signature and had him sign them.
14	Q. I wanted to ask about that. During the
15	time when you were doing these calculations for the
16	option payments, what did you do with the results
17	after you came up with your results of your
18	calculations? What did you do with them, transmit
19	them to somebody?
20	A. The payment results were in Excel
21	spreadsheets, then we took those numbers and plugged
22	them into other spreadsheets that were set up in the
23	form of a payment request form. We'd take that
24	payment request form to the appropriate person in

Chuck Whitlock's organization, whether it was Chuck or someone working reporting to Chuck, they would review the payment requests and sign the payment requests. And then we would forward the signed

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5 payment requests to Accounts Payable who would then 6 prepare checks and mail checks to each of these 7 customers.

8 Ο. Were you doing this, then, in hard copy 9 getting the actual signatures, or was this all being 10 done electronically?

11 Α. The signatures were all hard copy. 12 So you were providing hard copies, 0. 13 getting the signatures from Mr. Whitlock and someone 14 else? 15 We would get the hard copy Α. Yes. signatures and send the hard copies, the paper 16 17 copies, to Accounts Payable for payment. 18 Did you have contact with Mr. Whitlock ο. 19 over any other matters? 20 A. I don't recall any contacts. 21 0. Do you recall in any of your discussions 22 about Cinergy Retail Sales or Duke Energy Retail

23 Sales there being a hand-off issue, one that's in the 24 title of Exhibit 10?

59 1 Α. I'm really not familiar with what this 2 hand-off issue is. I don't know. 3 Okay. You can set that -- it looked Q. 4 there for a moment that you recognized something. 5 Α. Well, there was one hand-off issue that 6 was discussed and that was eventually -- Duff planned 7 eventually to hand off the monthly payment 8 calculation process to me which happened in April of 9 2006. 10 And that was in connection with the, one 0. 11 way or another, with the merger, this movement. 12 The merger forced the issue. Α. MR. SMALL: I believe I am done with 13 14 those documents, then. 15 MR. COLBERT: Okay. If you question on 16 the e-mail anymore, there are some names attached to 17 the bottom of that, are you going to be referring to 18 those? 19 MR. SMALL: I'm not following you. 20 MR. COLBERT: In the e-mail which I 21 believe is Exhibit 2 --22 MR. SMALL: Yes. 23 MR. COLBERT: -- at the bottom there are 24 a number of.

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-MR. SMALL: Of what? MR. COLBERT: Of names of customers that signed those contracts. MR. SMALL: Still not following you. Ah. MR. COLBERT: I'm sorry. MR. SMALL: 646? б MR. COLBERT: Yeah. I don't know the Bates stamp number. MR. SMALL: I think we covered that with Exhibit 3. MR. COLBERT: Okay. Then yes, we can unseal.

01180 61 Let's go off the record for a second. 1 2 MR. SMALL: Exhibit 11. 3 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) Q. Mr. Ziolkowski, do you know John Deeds? 4 Α. Yes. 5 And what contact have you had, business 6 Q. 7 contact have you had with Mr. Deeds? When did you first meet Mr. Deeds? 8 9 It's hard for me to say when I first met Α. 10 him because I've seen him around the halls for --11 since I started in 1990 or thereabouts, early-'90s, and back around 1995 he -- or 1996 he was working in 12 13 Marketing which was a department that I had just 14 left, and so I ran into him there. So over the years 15 I've known him somewhat enough to say hi to him in the hall. 16 17 Q. Okay. Did you have dealings with him 18 having to do with Cinergy Retail Sales? 19 Α. I don't recall any direct dealings with John Deeds. 20 And in my question, just to be clear, I 21 0. 22 was referring to personal or e-mail or telephone, any 23 kind of contact. 24 MR. COLBERT: I'm going to object. I

62 think you have several questions there then because I 1 believe the original question was whether he had any 2 3 contact regarding CRS. MR. SMALL: No, the question is contact 4 5 reqarding CRS, and I'm just verifying that it's all 6 forms of contact and not -- occasionally we've had a 7 response "I don't know the person personally but I've 8 interacted with him electronically." 9 MR. COLBERT: Okay. 10 So the same question has to do with CRS, Q., I'm just making sure that the question means all 11 12 contact. 13 I don't recall any specific times dealing Α. 14 with John Deeds when he was -- regarding CRS. It's 15 possible, but I don't recall any. Would you please turn to Exhibit 11, 16 0. 17 which is a complaint filed by John Deeds against Duke Energy Corporation and Duke Energy Retail Sales? 18 Do 19 you have that? 20 Α. Yes. 21 Q. And have you seen this complaint before? 22 I think I have. Α. 23 I'll give you a chance to look at it if ο. 24 you'd like.

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1	A. I believe I've seen this document.
2	Q. Would you turn to paragraph 7 of that
3	complaint? I'm going to ask you about its contents
4	so I think it will probably help if you read
5	paragraph 7.
6	I see that you're finished. The reason
7	why I bring paragraph 7 to your attention is it
8	covers some of the same grounds as your e-mail which
9	we had, Exhibit 2. I want to give you as much time
10	as you need for this, but I'd just note the subject
11	matter similarity. Is there any portion of paragraph
12	7 with which you disagree?
13	A. Without studying the option contracts I'm
14	not sure that I could agree with the statement that
15	says "The outlined charges represent the rate
16	increases requested by CG&E and approved by the PUCO
17	in 2004."
18	Q. Okay. Just to be clear about that,
19	you're not sure about it without the option
20	agreements in front of you.
21	A. Well, we would have to do the analysis.
22	Q. Okay. Without the analysis you can't
23	verify that you agree with that.
24	A. And the generation our generation

64 charge is our market based standard service offer, so 1 technically that's not a regulated rate the same way 2 3 as, say, a distribution charge would be. 4 Q. Okay. Could you point out the words? 5 I'm not following you. 6 A. Well, he says -- John Deeds states "The 7 outlined charges represent the rate increases," and 8 not all of that is normal regulated rates such as distribution, that's really part of our market based 9 10 standard service offer. 11 Q. So you're disagreeing with the word "requested"? 12 No, "rate." 13 Α. 14 Oh, "rate." Because you wouldn't use the Q. 15 word "rate" for that. 16 Correct. Probably --Α. Standard service offer. 17 Ο. Standard service offer price. 18 Α. 19 Would be better terminology, in your Q. 20 opinion. 21 Α. Yes. 22 And in the sentence "In effect, CRS 23 agreed to pay certain members of the IEU the exact 24 amount of the rate increase," the same objections, I

65 don't know that and I don't recall what those 1 2 payments were based on. You would need an analysis to verify 3 Ο. 4 that. 5 Α. Right. And also, once again, I object to the 6 7 word "rate." 8 ο. Which is found where? In that same 9 sentence? 10 Α. Yes. 11 ο. Rate; I see it. The amount of the rate 12 increase, and again, you would prefer the terminology 13 or you would think "standard service offer" is a 14 better terminology. Right. Some of these issues I don't 15 Α. 16 For example, discovery of the agreements know. 17 during the PUCO litigation was refused by defendants; 18 I have no knowledge of that. 19 Q. Okay. 20 And I also do not know, I wasn't a party Α. 21 to the option agreement so I don't know what was and 22 what was not made public. 23 Okay. So basically the entire last Q. 24 sentence you have no knowledge of. No knowledge on

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66 1 which to base --And the second-to-last sentence also, the 2 Α. sentence says "Because the contracts were created by 3 4 CRS . . . the agreements were not made public," I have no knowledge of that. 5 6 Q. Okay. 7 Α. I was not a party. 8 Q. All right. Does that do it? 9 (Witness nods head.) Α. That was a "yes." 10 Q. 11 Α. Yes. 12 All right, I'm going to ask you to read Q. paragraph 8 and I'll ask the same question, whether 13 14 there's anything in paragraph 8 that you disagree Take your time. 15 with. MR. COLBERT: Jeff, before the witness 16 17 answers, I'm going to state a continuing objection. 18 We're not here to confirm or deny the Deeds 19 complaint; this isn't a deposition about that. I'11 20 let him answer this next question. You know, if 21 we're going to go down this road paragraph by 22 paragraph, at some point, frankly, I'm going to 23 instruct him not to answer. 24 MR. SMALL: We're only concerned with --

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3 intend on getting into the Deeds complaint as a 4 wrongful discharge. We're not here for that tod	ay. or
4 wrongful discharge. We're not here for that tod	or
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MR. COLBERT: You may answer.	or
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6 A. Regarding paragraph 8, I was never a	
7 party to any of the discussions or negotiations	oot
8 the stipulation agreements or all that, so I can	106
9 say that I agree with or disagree with any of th	is
10 because I was not a party.	
11 Q. Okay. You can set that aside.	
12 MR. SMALL: Let's go off the record	for a
13 second.	
14 (Discussion held off the record.)	
15 Q. All right. Would you pull out Exhibit	it 2
16 again? Bates stamp 646, it's in the memo that ye	ou
17 wrote that we've gone through extensively, the	
18 paragraph that starts "The original settlement	
19 agreement." Do you see that?	
20 A. Yes.	
21 Q. About midway through that paragraph y	ou
22 refer to Cinergy's top management. Do you see th	iat?
23 A. Yes.	
24 Q. Who's that a reference to? Who is	

68 1 Cinergy's top management as you refer to in this 2 e-mail? When I wrote this, I was -- I didn't 3 Α. 4 really know who exactly I was referring to, but 5 somebody -- but people at the senior vice president 6 level who had the ability to say that the contract 7 was not going to be followed through with. 8 Q. Okay. 9 Α. But I didn't have anybody specifically in 10 mind. 11 When you're referring to the senior vice Q. 12 president level, are you referring to the Cinergy 13 organization or to CG&E? Really the question is who 14 is at the senior vice president level? 15 Α. Could you restate that last question? 16 You referred to people -- you said that Q. 17 your e-mail refers to people at the senior vice 18 president level and I'm asking who those people would 19 be. For instance, would that include Mr. Ficke? 20 That would. Α. 21 Okay. And what was his position? Q. 22 Well, he was president of CG&E. When I Α. 23 wrote this memo, though, this was just a quick 24 five-minute memo and I wasn't differentiating between

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1	this vice president or that vice president, all I
2	knew was that somebody up on high said that we're not
3	going to follow through with this contract. So I
4	didn't have anybody specifically in mind.
5	Q. Did you have any organization in mind,
6	though?
7	A. No.
8	Q. Just somebody in the Cinergy-affiliated
9	companies.
10	A. Somebody up on high, yes.
11	Q. Okay. During the period of time you
12	said, and we've discussed it extensively, that you
13	did calculations, these spreadsheet calculations, how
14	did you know that your calculations were accurate if
15	you didn't have the underlying agreements or you were
16	unfamiliar with the underlying agreements?
17	A. We used the model that Tim Duff prepared,
18	and he passed it on to us, and for 2006 he had
19	already been using it in 2006 in 2005, he used it
20	in 2006, and the customers weren't complaining, and
21	so we just continued using that model. And so
22	that's we just, we made the assumption that
23	everything was working correctly.
24	Q. All right. And what information did you

70 1 need in order to update your spreadsheet? Was that customer information? 2 Each month we would get customer 3 Α. information. 4 5 Q. Of the nature of demand and energy usage? 6 Α. Yes. 7 From a variety of accounts? For Q. instance, if a customer has multiple accounts? 8 9 Α. Yes. Anything else that you needed for your 10 ο. 11 work? 12 Α. Each month a report was generated 13 automatically with these accounts that showed demand, 14 energy -- I'm actually not sure about demand, but 15 energy, and would also show various MBSSO components; for example, generation, rider AAC, rider IMF 16 revenues for that account for that month and so 17 18 forth. And from that, then, we would bring the data 19 into the appropriate sheet within that spreadsheet 20 file and calculate and summarize what the payment would be for that month. 21 22 Okay. And when you generated reports, Q. 23 who did those reports go to? 24 Α. The report appears on a network. The

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1	basic data appears in a file on one of our network
2	drives and then at first Tim, and when I took over
3	the job, me, and now Rick Ehlers, we would pull that
4	info up and bring it into Excel into our
5	calculations.
6	Q. I'm referring to the output. When you've
7	done your calculations and so forth, where do those
8	reports go?
9	A. Those reports stay within Rates in a
10	three-ring binder. We make hard copy printouts.
11	Q. They're transmitted to Mr. Whitlock or
12	somebody who deals with CRS matters; isn't that
13	right? I mean, there must be something that goes
14	outside the Rate department.
15	A. As we discussed previously, we take the
16	output from those reports, from those calculations,
17	and take the data and put them into another
18	spreadsheet file which is set up in the form of a
19	request for payment, we print all that out, and then
20	hand carry it, hard copies, over to Mr. Whitlock or
21	the appropriate person in Mr. Whitlock's group for
22	signature.
23	Q. Do you know whether any of this material
24	goes out to the customers?

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1	A. Occasionally some customers request the
2	detail behind their payment. They're not satisfied
3	with just receiving a check, and they want to know
4	the detail behind the payment.
5	Q. And what do you do in that instance?
6	A. Comply with the customer's request.
7	Q. And is that was that your task when
8	you were doing these calculations?
9	A. Yes.
10	Q. How does the customer make contact with
11	you to say that they want to question a calculation
12	or want more information? Do they know that while
13	you were doing the calculations did they know to
14	contact you?
15	A. Yes.
16	Q. And would you respond, then, directly to
17	the customer?
18	A. Yes.
19	Q. And none of those instances raised a
20	question of whether the calculations were being done
21	properly. You provided the documentation and
22	everybody was satisfied.
23	A. That's correct.
24	Q. Since you joined since January 1998,

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Ziolkowski, Jim

To: Cc: Subject: Burns, Jennifer Thursday, July 27, 2006 8:41 AM Ziolkowski, Jim Gomez, Jon RE: CRES Payments

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That would be great. How about Tuesday morning, maybe around 10:007 I'll see if Jon wants to sit in as well. Thanks.

From: Ziołkowski, Jim Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2006 8:35 AM To: Burns, Jennifer Subject: RE: CRES Payments

Jennifer,

I calculate the monthly and quarterly CRES payments. Therefore, I am probably the best person to help you with this.

I am presently finishing up the 2nd quarter payment calculations. They should be done by early next week. Maybe we could schedule a time to discuss this on Monday or Tuesday, if that works for you.

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From: Burns, Jennifer Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2006 12:54 PM To: Ziolkowski, Jim Subject: FW: CRES Payments

Jim,

I work for Jon under the Non-Reg side and we are gearing up for the Aug 15 prelim budget deadline. I have been assigned to the CRES portion and was curious if you would be able to help us with the budget, or at least help me determine who to contact. Thanks for your help!

fyi...your description below is very helpful!

Jennifer Burns DEA Budgeting & Forecasting 317-838-4765 Jennifer.Burns@Duke-Energy.com

From: Gomez, Jon



Sent: Monday, July 24, 2006 1:12 PM To: Bums, Jennifer; Dirr, Michael Subject: FW: CRES Payments

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This is the CRES 101 that I got from Rates.

From: Ziojkowski, Jim Sent: Monday, May 15, 2006 10:19 AM To: Gomez, Jon; Wathen, Don Cc: Storck, Don Subject: RE: CRES Payments

Jon,

These are all native-load, retail customers located in the DE Ohio (CG&E) service territory: As described below, the original plan was to have them become "shoppers" in accordance with Ohio Electric Customer Choice, and they would receive their generation service from the newly-formed Cinergy CRES. At the last minute, Cinergy deemed the contracts to be too risky, and negotiated the payments instead.

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m: Gomez, Jon wint: Monday, May 15, 2006 10:11 AM To: Ziolkowski, Jim; Wathen, Don Cc: Storck, Don Subject: RE: CRES Payments

Thank you very much for the background. I do have one follow up question. We went through the budget with Chuck Whitlock last week and he has asked to start seeing the CRES payments as part of his native load budget since it is related to the RSP. It sounds like from your history explanation it is related to full requirements customers which we call non-native. Why would the non-native customers intervene on rates that would not affect them or are you considering those customers as part of the retail load? Thanks again, Jon

From: Ziołkowski, Jim Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 4:03 PM To: Wathen, Don; Gomez, Jon Cc: Storck, Don Subject: RE: CRES Payments

Jon,

Here is the history behind the so-called "CRES" payments:

In ing tate 2003, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio asked all of the electric investor-owned utilities in the State of Ohio to prepare and submit Rate Stabilization Plans. At that time, we were still in our Market Development Period following the implementation of electric Customer Choice in January 2001. During the Market Development Period.