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**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

THE LINCOLN ELECTRIC COMPANY, :
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 Complainant, :
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 v. :
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 THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC :
 ILLUMINATING COMPANY, :
 :
 Respondent. :

Case No. 09-86-EL-CSS

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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO ANSWER
(EXPEDITED RULING REQUESTED)

Pursuant to Rule 4901-1-12(A), Ohio Administrative Code ("O.A.C."), Respondent, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company ("CEI") respectfully requests an extension until March 27, 2009 to answer or otherwise respond to the Complaint. CEI requests an expedited ruling on this motion, as provided by Rule 4901-1-12 (C), O.A.C.

Respondent's counsel represents that he has contacted counsel for Complainant and that Complainant does not object to the requested extension. Additionally, Respondent's counsel certifies that Complainant's counsel does not object to the issuance of an expedited ruling without the filing of memoranda.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion for Extension of Time was served by ordinary U.S. mail, postage prepaid, to the following on this 20th day of February, 2009:

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