BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for an Increase in Electric Distribution Rates. Case No. 08-709-EL-AIR

In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Tariff Approval

Case No. 08-710-EL-ATA

In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Approval to Change Accounting Methods. 9-711-EL- AAM Case No. 08-709-EL-AAM

In the Matter of the Application of Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company for Approval of its Rider BDP, Backup Delivery Point. 06-718-EL-ATA Case No. 08-709 EL ATA-

OBJECTIONS TO THE STAFF REPORT AND SUMMARY OF ISSUES BY PEOPLE WORKING COOPERATIVELY, INC.

Pursuant to Section 4909.19, Revised Code and Ohio Administrative Code ("O.A.C.") Rule 4901-1-28, People Working Cooperatively, Inc. ("PWC") respectfully submits its Objections to the Staff Report of Investigation issued in the above-named proceedings on January 27, 2009. PWC filed its motion to intervene in these proceeding on September 3, 2008. PWC's objections and its primary issues regarding the Staff Report are:

 The Staff's recommended range of revenue increase for Duke Energy-Ohio, because it is unreasonably high given factors in this case and in the financial markets.

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The proposed rate design for residential customers in tariff RS, specifically
the increase in the customer charge, which appears to unfairly
discriminates against low-income customers.

Should the Staff change its position on any of the matters addressed in the report of its investigation or should there be any issues newly raised by Staff or any other party to the case, as the case proceeds from the objections to the closing of the record, PWC reserves the right to file testimony, cross-examine witnesses and address such issues as if they were issues raised in this report and to which PWC had objected.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of PEOPLE WORKING COOPERATIVELY, INC.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Objection to the Staff Report and Major Issue of People Working Cooperatively, Inc. has been served on the following parties of record in this proceeding by first-class, postage prepaid U.S. mail on this 26th day of February, 2009.

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