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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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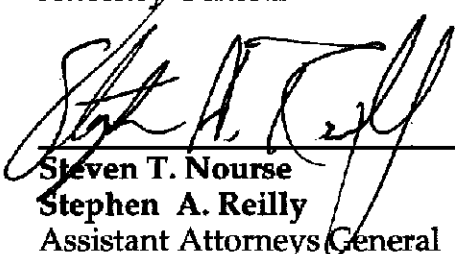
Case No. 96-899-TP-ALT

**PUBLIC COMMISSION OF OHIO STAFF'S
MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER**

The Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Staff) moves for a protective order to preserve the confidentiality of certain information contained in the confidential, unredacted versions of the prefiled testimony of Staff witnesses Nadia Soliman, and Allen Francis filed under seal this date. The basis of this motion is set forth in the accompanying memorandum.

Respectfully submitted,

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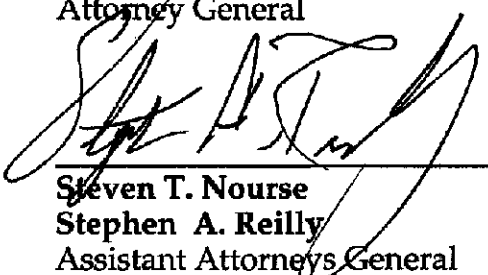
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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OHIO STAFF'S
MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT
OF
ITS MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Staff has filed under seal the confidential, unredacted versions of the prefiled testimony of Nadia Soliman and Allen Francis. This testimony contains information that may be confidential and proprietary to Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company (CBT). Staff is filing the entire testimony under seal pending a review by CBT to determine what portion should not become part of the public record; although this motion does not represent the Staff's agreement that any specific information should be treated as confidential, proprietary information. Accordingly, Staff requests that the confidential, unredacted versions of this testimony be protected from public disclosure.

Respectfully submitted,

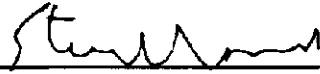
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