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June 23, 2011

Todd A. Snitchler, Chairman
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: PUCO ESP Case #11-3549-EL-SSO

Dear Chairman Snitchler:

For more than 40 years the Clermont County Chamber of Commerce has been committed to advancing civic, commercial, industrial, and agricultural interests in Clermont County, Ohio. Our Chamber represents the collective interests of 850 member companies and over 20,000 employees including such global firms as Siemens PLM Software, International Paper, Munich RE, and most recently the arrival of Tata Consultancy Services.

The key to our success in attracting jobs for Ohio residents and stimulating private sector investment has been our comprehensive economic development programming. In that regard, we are writing to express the importance of strong community partnerships, and in particular, our partnership with and support for Duke Energy Ohio.

From development planning, to marketing, promotion, development assistance and project implementation. Duke is a critical asset to our community and is significant as we work each day to make the Clermont County area the best place to locate, operate and grow a successful business.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Matthew D. Van Sant'.

Matthew D. Van Sant
President/CEO

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