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Legal Notice

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has scheduled local hearings in Case Nos. 11-3549-EL-SSO, 11-3550-EL-ATA, and Case No. 11-3551-EL-UNC, *In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for Authority to Establish a Standard Service Offer Pursuant to Section 4928.143, Revised Code, in the Form of an Electric Security Plan, Accounting Modifications and Tariffs for Generation Service, for Authority to Amend its Certified Supplier Tariff, P.U.C.O. No. 20, and for Authority to Amend its Corporate Separation Plan.* In its application, Duke requests approval from the Commission of its new electric security plan, which includes its standard service offer, effective from January 1, 2012 through May 31, 2021. Duke's proposed plan includes provisions regarding the supply of capacity to all customers, the acquisition and pricing of energy to service all standard service offer customers through a series of auctions, economic development and job retention, and other matters. According to the proposal, the rates for generation will be determined by an auction. For 2012, it is anticipated that residential customers using 1,000 kilowatt hours will have a 5% increase in their generation-related rates. During the period of the plan, Duke Energy Ohio proposes to recover costs for retail capacity and energy, alternative energy resources, uncollectable generation expense, and distribution reliability through riders. In addition, Duke Energy Ohio proposes an energy and ancillary service sales profit sharing mechanism rider and a fuel and purchased power reconciliation rider.

The local hearings are scheduled for the purpose of providing an opportunity for interested members of the public to testify in these proceedings. The local hearings will be held as follows:

Tuesday, August 30, 2011, at 12:30 p.m., at Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, Main Building, Room 342, 3520 Central Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45223

Tuesday, August 30, 2011, at 6:30 p.m., at Union Township Civic Center Hall, 4350 Aicholtz Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45245.

Thursday, September 8, 2011, at 6:30 p.m., at City Building, City Council Chambers, Lower Level, 1 Donham Plaza, Middletown, Ohio 45042.

Friday, September 9, 2011, at 12:30 p.m. at Cincinnati City Hall, Council Chambers, 801 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

The evidentiary hearing will commence on September 20, 2011, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, Hearing Room 11-A, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, viewing the Commission's web page at <http://www.puco.ohio.gov>, or contacting the Commission's hotline at 1-800-686-7826.

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