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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the Application of Duke : Case No. 11-4393-EL-RDR
Energy Ohio, Inc., for a Cost Recovery :
Mechanism and for Approval of Additional :
Programs for Inclusion in its Existing :
Portfolio. :
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MOTION FOR A CONTINUANCE
AND
MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT
OF THE STAFF OF
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

Pursuant to O.A.C. 4901-1-13(A), the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Staff) respectfully requests (1) a one week extension of time to file comments on Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.'s (Duke) application and (2) a one week extension of time to file a reply to the parties' initial comments. This would extend Staff's and the intervenors' deadline for filing comments from September 14, 2011 until **September 21, 2011**, and postpone the September 28, 2011 reply deadline until **October 5, 2011**.

Staff is seeking this extension because Staff is currently involved in a number of other cases that have required a substantial amount of Staff's attention and have substantially increased Staff's workload. Therefore, Staff needs more time to obtain additional information relevant to Duke's application in this case, as well as more time to adequately review and address this information. A short, one week extension of time

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will provide Staff, as well as the other parties, an opportunity to sufficiently comment on Duke's application. Finally, this is Staff's first request for an extension and a one week extension of the filing deadline will not prejudice any party.

Respectfully Submitted,

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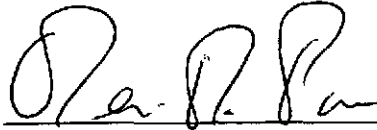
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing **Motion for Continuance and Memorandum in Support** was served via regular U.S. mail and electronic mail upon the following parties of record, this 8th day of September, 2011.



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