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**BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Duke )  
Energy Ohio, Inc. to Adjust and Set the ) Case No. 11-4916-EL-RDR  
Annual Adjusted Component of its )  
Standard Service Offer. )

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**JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND  
REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT**

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The Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Staff"), and Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. ("Duke" or the "Company"), pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code 4901-1-13(A), respectfully request a 60-day extension of the procedural schedule reflected in the September 8, 2011 Attorney Examiner Entry. Movants also request that the Commission grant movants' motion on an expedited basis pursuant to O.A.C. 4901-1-12(C). The reasons for this motion are set forth more fully in the attached memorandum.<sup>1</sup>

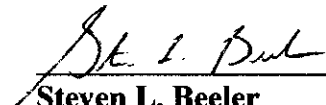
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<sup>1</sup> Staff has been given authority to sign on behalf of Duke.

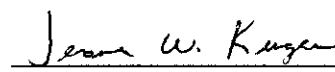
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**MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT**

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On September 1, 2011, Duke submitted an application for approval to adjust and set the Annually Adjusted Component Rider of its Standard Service Offer., in the above-captioned proceeding. By entry dated September 5, 2011, the Commission adopted a procedural schedule setting a date for the filing of comments and an evidentiary hearing as follows:

- (1) November 7, 2011 - Deadline for the filing of motions to intervene.
- (2) November 7, 2011 - Deadline for the filing of comments on the application by Staff and intervenors.
- (3) November 14, 2011 - Deadline for all parties to file reply comments.
- (4) November 21, 2011 - In the event all of the issues raised in the comments are not resolved, or if the Commission deems the application may be unjust or unreasonable, a hearing will be held, and Staff and intervenor testimony will be due on this date.
- (5) November 28, 2011 - In the event a hearing is deemed necessary, Duke's supplemental testimony will be due on this day.
- (6) December 5, 2011 - In the event a hearing is deemed necessary, the hearing will commence at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th floor, 11-C Columbus, Ohio 43215.

For the reasons set forth below, movants request a 60-day extension which would amend the procedural schedule as follows:

- (1) January 6, 2012 - Deadline for the filing of motions to intervene.

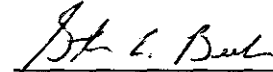
- (2) January 6, 2012 - Deadline for the filing of comments on the application by Staff and intervenors.
- (3) January 13, 2012 - Deadline for all parties to file reply comments.
- (4) January 20, 2011<sup>12</sup> - In the event all of the issues raised in the comments are not resolved, or if the Commission deems the application may be unjust or unreasonable, a hearing will be held, and Staff and intervenor testimony will be due on this date.
- (5) January 27, 2011 - In the event a hearing is deemed necessary. Duke's supplemental testimony will be due on this day.
- (6) February 3, 2011 - In the event a hearing is deemed necessary, the hearing will commence at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th floor, 11-C Columbus, Ohio 43215.

Duke entered into a Stipulation and Recommendation with numerous parties in its Standard Service Offer Case (Case Nos. 11-3549-EL-SSO, *et. al.*). If the Standard Service Offer Stipulation and Recommendation is approved by the Commission, this proceeding may not be necessary. Staff's audits are currently scheduled for this week in preparation for the November 7<sup>th</sup> comment deadline. To avoid unnecessary work performing an audit that may not be necessary in the event a Stipulation is approved, movants respectfully request an extension as described above. If for some reason the Stipulation and Recommendation is not approved, the procedural schedule should commence as proposed above.

O.A.C. 4901-1-12(C) allows a party to request that the Commission consider a motion on an expedited basis. Accordingly, Staff and Duke respectfully request an expedited ruling that the procedural schedule be postponed by 60 days. The undersigned counsel for Staff has been given the authority to make and sign this motion on behalf of all the other parties to this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

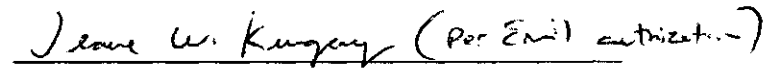
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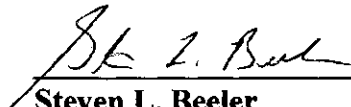


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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Joint Motion for Extension of Time and Request for Expedited Ruling has been served upon the below-named counsel via electronic mail, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011.



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